

# **Wade Thomas Elementary**

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## 2017-18 School Accountability Report Card Published During the 2018-19 School Year



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## **School Description**

Wade Thomas School is located in Marin County and is one of four elementary schools in the Ross Valley School District serving kindergarten through fifth grade students. It is located in one of San Anselmo's oldest neighborhoods. It stands on the site of the original grammar school built in 1898. San Anselmo is a small town within commuting distance from San Francisco. Our student population draws from a community of professionals and artisans as well as students from the nearby San Francisco Theological Seminary. At Wade Thomas, we place a high value on social emotional learning and community, in addition to academic excellence. Wade Thomas received the California Distinguished School Award in 2018. In the 2017-2018 school year, eighty-seven percent (87%) of our students met or exceeded standards on the ELA portion of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress; eighty-five percent (85%) achieved the same levels on the Math assessment.

Wade Thomas envisions a program that cultivates compassionate, inquisitive, reflective learners with the skills needed to live and work in the 21st Century. We believe all children can learn, be successful, and contribute to a changing world. The Wade Thomas mission is to provide comprehensive learning experiences based on best practices and creative teaching:

- Where students will develop confidence in their ability to think for themselves, analyze a variety of situations, find creative solutions, and develop a love of learning;
- Where students will approach the world beyond their immediate community with a sense of respect, wonder and responsibility;
- Where students will be challenged to reach their highest learning potential within a rigorous academic context enriched by access to the arts.
- Where students become self-motivated, life-long learners.

## About the SARC

By February 1 of each year, every school in California is required by state law to publish a School Accountability Report Card (SARC). The SARC contains information about the condition and performance of each California public school. Under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) all local educational agencies (LEAs) are required to prepare a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP), which describes how they intend to meet annual school-specific goals for all pupils, with specific activities to address state and local priorities. Additionally, data reported in an LCAP is to be consistent with data reported in the SARC.

- For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC web page at <u>https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/</u>.
- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF web
  page at <u>https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/</u>.
- For additional information about the school, parents/guardians and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

2017-18 Student Enrollment by Grade Level					
Grade Level Number of Students					
Kindergarten	66				
Grade 1	68				
Grade 2	55				
Grade 3	59				
Grade 4	75				
Grade 5	55				
Total Enrollment	378				

2017-18 Student Enrollment by Group					
Group Percent of Total Enrollment					
Black or African American	0.5				
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0				
Asian	2.6				
Filipino	0.5				
Hispanic or Latino	11.1				
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0				
White	77.8				
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	5.3				
English Learners	2.6				
Students with Disabilities	4.8				
Foster Youth	0.3				

## A. Conditions of Learning

#### State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Basic (Priority 1):

- Degree to which teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for the pupils they are teaching;
- Pupils have access to standards-aligned instructional materials; and
- School facilities are maintained in good repair

Teacher Credentials						
Wade Thomas Elementary	16-17	17-18	18-19			
With Full Credential	25	26	21			
Without Full Credential	0	0	0			
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0			
Ross Valley Elementary School District	16-17	17-18	18-19			
With Full Credential	*	•	120			
Without Full Credential	•	•	2			
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	•	•	0			

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at this School							
Wade Thomas Elementary 16-17 17-18 18-19							
Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0				
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0				
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0				

Note: "Misassignments" refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc.

\*Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

## Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2018-19)

The District has established a committee of teacher leaders to support the review and adoption of materials to support the Common Core Curriculum Standards. During the 2017-18 the District is exploring for adoption science and social studies curriculum During the 2017-18 school year, the district implemented the adopted Bridges Math Curriculum. In addition, during 2016-2017, the District reviewed the Technology Standards and aligned it to grade level. During the 2014-15 school year, the school and each classroom developed a classroom library of leveled readers including a variety of genres and also adopted Lucy Caulkins Reading & Writing Workshop. Each student has the opportunity to have both literary and informational texts to read at their own level within the classroom, and the school is able to differentiate for students who need reading interventions and are reading above or below grade level. All students have sufficient textbooks and/or instructional materials in each subject area for in-school work and homework.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials Year and month in which data were collected: January 2019					
Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional M	aterials/Year of Adoption			
Reading/Language Arts	Balanced Literacy program using Units of Study in Reading, TK-3 to develop word work.	Writing and Fundations Phonics Program for grade			
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0			
Mathematics	Bridges in Mathematics for Kindergarten-5th Grade				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0			
Science	CA Foss Kits				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0			
History-Social Science	Pearson Scott Foresman				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0			
Visual and Performing Arts	Based on CCSS in VIsual and Performing Arts				
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption:	Yes			
	Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook:	0			

## School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

The Ross Valley School District passed a \$41 million facility bond in November 2010 to accommodate increased enrollment and replacement and/or repairs at Wade Thomas and other schools in the district. Wade Thomas Elementary added 3 new classrooms and a playground during the summer of 2015.

Ross Valley School District uses Integrated Pest Management (IPM) strategies and the least toxic method of pest control possible as a means to control unwanted pests. In accordance with AR 3514.2 IPM strategy focuses on long-term prevention or suppression of pest problems through a combination of techniques such as monitoring for pest presence and establishing treatment threshold levels, using non-chemical practices to make the habitat less conducive to pest development, improving sanitation, and employing mechanical and physical controls. Pesticides that pose the least possible hazard and are effective in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property, and the environment are used only after careful monitoring indicates they are needed according to established guidelines and treatment thresholds. (California Education Code §17609; Food and Agricultural Code§ 13181)

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month in which data were collected: January 2019				
System Inspected	Repair Status	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned		
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good			
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Fair	Water stains in ceiling tiles. Paint chipping on door frame and tiles missing in bathroom		
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good			
Electrical: Electrical	Good			
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Good			
<b>Safety:</b> Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good			
<b>Structural:</b> Structural Damage, Roofs	Good			
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	Raised Asphalt and Holes and Cracks in asphalt throughout site		
Overall Rating	Good			

## **B. Pupil Outcomes**

#### **State Priority: Pupil Achievement**

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Pupil Achievement (Priority 4):

- Statewide assessments (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress [CAASPP] System, which includes the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for students in the general education population and the California Alternate Assessments [CAAs] for English language arts/literacy [ELA] and mathematics given in grades three through eight and grade eleven. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAAs items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities); and
- The percentage of students who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, or career technical education sequences or programs of study

	2017-18 CAASPP Results for All Students						
Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)							
Subject	Sch	lool	District		State		
	16-17	17-18	16-17	16-17 17-18		17-18	
ELA	84.0	87.0	80.0	78.0	48.0	50.0	
Math	81.0	85.0	71.0	70.0	37.0	38.0	

Note: Percentages are not calculated when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: ELA and mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter

Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3–Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students						
Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)						
Subject	Sch	School District State				ite
	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18
Science	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Note: Cells with N/A values do not require data.

Note: The 2016–17 and 2017–18 data are not available. The CDE is developing a new science assessment based on the Next Generation Science Standards for California Public Schools (CA NGSS). The CAST was pilot-tested in spring 2017 and field-tested in spring 2018. The CAST will be administered operationally during the 2018–19 school year. The CAA for Science was pilot-tested for two years (i.e., 2016–17 and 2017–18) and the CAA for Science will be field-tested in 2018–19.

Note: Science test results include the CAST and the CAA for Science. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the CAST plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3–Alternate) on the CAA for Science divided by the total number of students who participated on both assessments.

#### State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Other Pupil Outcomes (Priority 8):

Pupil outcomes in the subject area of physical education

Grade	2017-18 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards					
Level	4 of 6 5 of 6 6 of 6					
5	13.0	27.8	37.0			

Percentages are not calculated when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

School Year 2017-18 CAASPP Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA) Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven							
Student Group         Total         Number         Percent         Percent           Enrollment         Tested         Tested         Met or Exceed							
All Students	189	185	97.88	87.03			
Male	100	97	97.00	87.63			
Female	89	88	98.88	86.36			
Black or African American							
Asian							
Filipino							
Hispanic or Latino	19	19	100.00	78.95			
White	153	151	98.69	88.08			
Two or More Races	12	12	100.00	91.67			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged							
English Learners							
Students with Disabilities	13	12	92.31	58.33			

Note: ELA test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3–Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Note: Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: The number of students tested includes all students who participated in the test whether they received a score or not; however, the number of students tested is not the number that was used to calculate the achievement level percentages. The achievement level percentages are calculated using only students who received scores.

School Year 2017-18 CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven							
Student Group         Total         Number         Percent         Percent           Enrollment         Tested         Tested         Met or Exceeded							
All Students	189	186	98.41	84.95			
Male	100	98	98	86.73			
Female	89	88	98.88	82.95			
Black or African American							
Asian							
Filipino							
Hispanic or Latino	19	19	100	84.21			
White	153	151	98.69	86.09			
Two or More Races	12	12	100	91.67			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged							
English Learners							
Students with Disabilities	13	12	92.31	50			

Note: Mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3–Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

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## C. Engagement

#### State Priority: Parental Involvement

- The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Parental Involvement (Priority 3):
- Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each school site

#### **Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2018-19)**

Parents at Wade Thomas participate directly and indirectly in delivery of the instructional program in a variety of ways. They serve as volunteers in the classroom, on field trips, helping with special projects, and on various committees to support the instructional program, provide enrichment opportunities, and community building activities. Parents help develop projects and programs through a variety of opportunities including Site Council, Wade Thomas Parents Association (WTPA), YES Foundation, and District committees. The WTPA is the primary body which organizes volunteers and generates opportunities to involve the community at large (examples: Mustang Roundup, International Day, Science Fridays, school celebrations, school beautification, Lap-a-Thon, Student Council, lunchtime activities, school assemblies, and parent education events). Parent volunteers manage a website with school and community information and help in publishing the weekly Wade Thomas News. The WTPA website, www.wadethomasschool.org, includes contact information and links for volunteer opportunities.

Also, at the District level parents can participate in the Superintendents Round Table and Superintendent's Council meetings held 6 times per year. Other opportunities include the District Wellness Committee, District English Learner Advisory Committee, CLIMB Committee, Citizens Oversight Committee etc.

#### State Priority: School Climate

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: School Climate (Priority 6):

- Pupil suspension rates;
- Pupil expulsion rates; and
- Other local measures on the sense of safety.

## School Safety Plan

The Board of Trustees reviews and adopts the Ross Valley School District's School Safety by March 1st each year. The plan includes procedures for disaster preparedness and response. Our site's emergency plan includes a complete NIMS chart, nine emergency drills per year, and emergency training for all staff. Training includes search and rescue, basic first aid, and student release. Our emergency supply container is checked and re-stocked yearly. Board policies on suspension and expulsion, procedures to notify teachers of dangerous pupils, sexual harassment, school-wide dress code, procedures of safe ingress and egress of pupils and rules and procedures on school discipline are also components of the plan. The plan may be reviewed in detail at the school site.

The District has installed window film for safety and security at each site. All door locks have been checked and only require a push button to lock and secure each room. In addition, the telephone system allows each school to call 911 and to contact the District in the event of an emergency. Also, radio (walkies-talkies) system has been upgraded for each site to contact the District.

Suspensions and Expulsions						
School 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18						
Suspensions Rate	0.3	0.0	1.1			
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0			
District	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18			
Suspensions Rate	1.4	1.1	2.3			
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0			
State	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18			
Suspensions Rate	3.7	3.7	3.5			
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.1			

## **D. Other SARC Information**

The information in this section is required to be in the SARC but is not included in the state priorities for LCFF.

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff at this School Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)				
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	.4 FTE			
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	.1 FTE			
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	1 FTE			
Psychologist	.5 FTE			
Social Worker	0			
Nurse	.2 FTE			
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	.5 FTE			
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	1 FTE			
Other	.4 FTE			
Average Number of Students per Staff Me	ember			
Academic Counselor	0			

One Full Time Equivalent (FTE) equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time.

	Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)											
				Number of Classrooms*								
Grade	Grade Average Class Size		1-20		21-32			33+				
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
К	20	20	22	2	2		1	1	3			
1	22	20	23		3		3		3			
2	19	21	23	4	1			2	2			
3	20	25	23	2			1	3	3			
4	26	19	25		3		3		3			
5	29	25	28				2	3	2			

Number of classes indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class).

#### **Professional Development provided for Teachers**

Transitioning to the Common Core Math standards was the focus of professional development in the 2011-12 school year. Teachers benefited from two staff development days with Phil Daro, author of the CC math standards, with follow up work on designing units of study with trainers from the California Math Project. For the 2015-16 school year, the District has a Math Coordinator who is providing professional development in the 8 mathematical practices for each grade level.

Professional Development in the 2012-13 school year focused on providing all teachers in the district with Guided Language Acquisition Design (G.L.A.D.) training. Two district wide staff development days and four teacher release days for all teachers, K-8 provided comprehensive training in these strategies, designed to provide differentiation for all students. Coaching in these strategies continued during the 2013-14 school year.

The focus of teacher professional development in the 2013-14 and 2015-16 school year was on the development of units aligned with the Common Core Standards in English Language Arts. Three district wide staff development days, along with teacher release days have provided the time for teachers to learn the process for developing CCSS aligned units using Readers and Writers Workshop to implement the English Language Arts CCSS.

In 2016-2017, District wide staff development was focused on the eight standards for mathematics practice and strategies for CC math instruction in preparation for adopting a new math curriculum. In addition, teachers had two release days to continue their professional development in Reader's and Writer's Workshop and a full day hands-on training on the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

In 2017-2018, all District teachers had two days of professional development at the beginning of the school year to become familiar with the newlyadopted math curriculum. Six afternoon sessions have been planned for District and/or school site professional development on Math and NGSS. All K-5 teachers will have two release days for coaching in Reader's and Writer's workshop. The District Coordinator of Curriculum is providing ongoing coaching and support for teachers with the mathematics curriculum.

his is our 4th school year, providing professional development focused on Reading & Writing workshop with Momentum in Teaching using Lucy Caulkins reading and writing units. Additionally, Bridges Math was adopted district wide and teachers participated in professional development to implement this program. The teachers have the opportunity to have individualized coaching in order to improve their practice.

Weekly early release days have provided teachers with opportunities to collaborate in site based grade level teams, across grade levels and whole school activities. Wade Thomas has utilized these days to develop Positive Behavior Interventions, Growth Mindset, Analyze student data and develop school specific programs.

FY 2016-17 Teacher and Administrative Salaries						
Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category				
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$52,996	\$48,064				
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$77,178	\$75,417				
Highest Teacher Salary	\$93,685	\$94,006				
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$127,756	\$119,037				
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$155,467	\$123,140				
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$0	\$135,974				
Superintendent Salary	\$217,485	\$183,692				
Percent of District Budget						
Teacher Salaries	38.0	36.0				
Administrative Salaries	8.0	6.0				

FY 2016-17 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries						
Level	Ехро	Average				
	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	Teacher Salary		
School Site	\$6,781.59	\$3,055.76	\$3,725.83	\$71,845		
District	*	•	\$3,937.29	\$73,194		
State	*	*	\$7,125	\$76,046		
Percent Difference: School Site/District			-5.5	2.7		
Percent Diffe	erence: School	-55.3	-3.2			

Cells with 🔶 do not require data.

The California Department of Education issued guidance to LEAs on August 1, 2018, regarding how to calculate school-level per-pupil expenditures that will be reported on 2018-19 report cards.

For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits webpage at <a href="http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/">www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/</a>.

#### Types of Services Funded

The Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) approved by the Board of Education trustees has provided additional supports at Wade Thomas Elementary School by increasing the support staff as well as a District Wide Curriculum Coordinator in curriculum. Both Title II funds and the Educator Effectiveness Grant supports professional growth and development. State and Federal funds ensure that all students identified with a disability receive a Free and Appropriate Public Education. In addition, the school receives Federal Title III funds to support interventions for students, in particular English Language Learners.

#### **DataQuest**

DataQuest is an online data tool located on the CDE DataQuest web page at <u>https://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/</u> that contains additional information about this school and comparisons of the school to the district and the county. Specifically, DataQuest is a dynamic system that provides reports for accountability (e.g., test data, enrollment, high school graduates, dropouts, course enrollments, staffing, and data regarding English learners).

#### Internet Access

Internet access is available at public libraries and other locations that are publicly accessible (e.g., the California State Library). Access to the Internet at libraries and public locations is generally provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Other use restrictions may include the hours of operation, the length of time that a workstation may be used (depending on availability), the types of software programs available on a workstation, and the ability to print documents.