

2020 SARC Input Form

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This template is provided as a tool to update your SARC and contains only a list of required reporting components that our team isn't able to retrieve from public sources (i.e., Dataquest and SARC data files). Please review and complete each section of this template for completeness and accuracy. DTS will import publicly available data as it becomes available.

This template provides guidance in each section to assist you through the update process. You can also click on the section title for any of the sections to review detailed guidance from CDE regarding the reporting requirements. A full version of CDE's data elements document can be downloaded by [clicking here](#).

A list of answers to frequently asked questions can be reviewed by [clicking here](#). Please feel free to contact the DTS Support Team by [clicking here](#).

School Contact Information (School Year 2020-21)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include **current** School Contact Information for your school.

School Name	Gateway Elementary School
Street	501 South Gateway Blvd.
City, State, Zip	Ridgecrest, CA 93555
Phone Number	(760) 499-1850
Principal	Margaret H. Bergens
E-mail Address	mbergens@ssusd.org
School Website	gateway.ssusd.org
CDS Code	15-73742-6110712
School Logo	 <p>Click the button to upload your school's logo. Logos should not be larger than 1.5" x 1.5". You can also request upload support by clicking here.</p>

District Contact Information (School Year 2020-21)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include **current** District Contact Information for your district.

District Name	Sierra Sands Unified School District
Street	113 W. Felspar
City, State, Zip	Ridgecrest, CA 93555
Phone Number	(760) 499-1600
Superintendent	Dr. Dave Ostash
Web Site	ssusd.org
E-mail Address	superintendent@ssusd.org
District Logo	Click the button to upload your district logo. Logos should not be larger than 1.5" x 1.5". You can also request upload support by clicking here .

District Governing Board

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include **current** contact District Governing Board information for your district.

Member 1	Name: William Farris, President Title:
Member 2	Name: Kurt Rockwell, Vice President Title:
Member 3	Name: Chad Houck, Member Title:
Member 4	Name: Timothy Johnson, Member Title:
Member 5	Name: Michael Scott, Member Title:
Member 6	Name: Title:
Member 7	Name: Title:
Member 8	Name: Title:
Member 9	Name: Title:
Member 10	Name: Title:
Member 11	Name: Title:
Member 12	Name: Title:

District Administration

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include **current** District Administration information for your district.

Superintendent	Dr. Dave Ostash
Administrator 1	Name: Pamela Smith Title: Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Administrator 2	Name: Michelle Savko Title: Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
Administrator 3	Name: Bryan Auld Title: Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Administrator 4	Name: Paul Delbick Title: Executive Director of SELPA
Administrator 5	Name: Donnie Morrison Title: Chief Technology Officer

School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2020-21)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include information about your school, its programs and its goals. This section should be kept to 2-3 paragraphs.

Principal's Message

At Gateway Elementary School, we value learning as a lifelong, active process, where thinking and action are encouraged in order to create individuals who are academically literate. Our school climate serves as a magnet to draw students, parents, and staff together to work as partners to create the best environment for learning. We encourage each other to achieve our maximum potential, and we recognize that each member of the team has unique gifts and that all participants are valued for their contribution.

Exemplary educational practices based on the California Common Core Standards are very important to all of us. Ongoing teacher collaboration in professional learning communities among and across grade levels helps to ensure success for all students. At Gateway, we focus on accelerating academic achievement, developing positive behavior, and encouraging parent participation.

Margaret H. Bergens, Principal
School Vision and Mission

LEARNING, THINKING, DOING...BUILDING A GATEWAY TO THE FUTURE

AT GATEWAY SCHOOL WE PURSUE THIS VISION THROUGH THE FOLLOWING MISSION AREAS:

WE VALUE LEARNING: Learning is a lifelong, active process where thinking and action are encouraged and creates individuals who are academically literate...both culturally and scientifically.

WE SHARE A CONTAGIOUS EXCITEMENT ABOUT LEARNING: The climate serves as a magnet to draw students, parents and staff together as a team that works as partners to create the best climate for learning.

WE ARE A UNIFIED TEAM OF STUDENTS, PARENTS AND STAFF WHO ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER TO ACHIEVE OUR MAXIMUM POTENTIAL: We recognize each member of the team has unique gifts and all participants are valued for their contribution.

WE SUPPORT AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH ALL TEAM MEMBERS ARE SAFE: We are safe to play, work, discuss and take risks in thinking and sharing.

WE ARE PART OF MANY COMMUNITIES: We are an active, responsible participant of the school community, city, state, country and world communities and do our part in making each a better place.

TO CARRY OUT THIS MISSION, AT GATEWAY SCHOOL WE BELIEVE IN...

THE JOY OF LEARNING: We believe working and learning together is exciting, challenging and fun.

LIFE-LONG LEARNING: We are committed to continual improvement of ourselves. We teach students to value the pursuit of knowledge and to become life-long learners.

MUTUAL RESPECT: We respect each other, our students, parents and the community. We teach students to respect each other.

TEAMWORK: We work as a team. We teach students the importance and value of cooperation and collaboration. We encourage parents and the community to work in partnership with us.

EXCELLENCE AND INTEGRITY: We are professionals, dedicated to teaching and committed to innovation. We conduct ourselves in an honest, principled manner. We teach students the value of doing their best work and being their best "self".

[Opportunities for Parental Involvement \(School Year 2020-21\)](#)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include information on how parents can become involved in school activities, including contact information pertaining to organized opportunities for parental involvement. This section should be kept to 1-2 paragraphs.

We have many ways for parents to participate in the life of our school, and we depend on parents to keep our programs running smoothly. Our school's annual plan and some budget approvals are made by our School Site Council (SSC), which aims to help improve student achievement and to support school activities. Our English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC) is an advocacy group for families of students learning English. The ELAC group is presently on hold due to low EL numbers. Our PTO provides educational assemblies, volunteer programs, and assist in our Junior Olympics. New members are always needed. Room parents organize parent volunteers to help with special projects in the classroom and chaperone on field trips. We ask all parents to attend Back-to-School Night and our Annual Title 1 meeting in the fall, Open House in the spring, and parent-teacher conferences in November and March. Any parent who wants to get more involved in school activities can email the principal at mbergens@ssusd.org or call Margaret H. Bergens at (760) 499-1850.

School Safety Plan (School Year 2020-21)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include information about the school's comprehensive safety plan, including the dates on which the safety plan was last annually reviewed, updated, and discussed with school faculty and a student representative, as well as a brief description of the key elements of the plan (do not paste your entire safety plan in this field). This section should be kept to 1-2 paragraphs.

Staff members monitor the school grounds 15 minutes before and after school as well as at morning and afternoon recesses. Paid recess monitors watch the children during all lunch periods beginning at 11:15 a.m. and ending at 1:00 p.m. Teachers regularly review the school's 3 B's: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe. These expectations are explicitly taught to ensure responsible behavior in school and on the playground. Visitors must sign in at the office and wear a visitor's badge during their stay.

A comprehensive safety plan is in place. We coach students in safe practices throughout the year to ensure the security of all and practice disaster drills at regular intervals. We inspect our playgrounds and equipment regularly to ensure a safe environment. We update Gateway's Safety Plan and policies yearly to accommodate new staff members and address new concerns. The safety plan assures each student and staff member a safe physical environment and a respectful, accepting, and emotionally nurturing environment. The plan outlines procedures to effectively respond to disasters or dangerous situations. It also provides each student with resiliency skills.

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (School Year 2020-21)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include information from the most recently collected Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) data (or equivalent), including:

- Description of the safety, cleanliness, and adequacy of the school facility
- Description of any planned or recently completed facility improvements
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair

FIT tools completed using CDE's MS Excel format (only) can be submitted to DTS for import by [clicking here](#). To see an example of the CDE FIT Tool, [click here](#). Requests for multiple schools should be sent in one email. Otherwise, please review and complete the information below as needed.

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 12/8/2020

This section should be kept to 1-2 paragraphs.

Buildings

Gateway Elementary opened in August 1992 and is in good condition. Our campus is comfortable and has adequate-sized classrooms. We have a grass field for baseball and soccer; areas for tetherball and basketball; and playground equipment in a sand area. We have grade level rotation lunch breaks to alleviate crowding. There are two daytime custodians who keep our facilities clean. All classrooms and rest rooms are cleaned daily. District maintenance maintains landscaping once a week.

More facts about the condition of our school buildings are available in an online supplement to this report called for by the Williams legislation of 2004. What you will find is an assessment of more than a dozen aspects of our buildings: their structural integrity, electrical systems, heating and ventilation systems, and more. The important purpose of this assessment is to determine if our buildings and grounds are safe and in

good repair. If anything needs to be repaired, this assessment identifies it and targets a date by which we commit to make those repairs. The guidelines for this assessment were written by the Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) and were brought about by the Williams legislation. You can look at the six-page Facilities Inspection Tool used for the assessment on the Web site of the OPSC.

Library

Our library is the hub of our school. One wall of the library opens to expand into a multipurpose room. Our primary books are on rolling bookcases to maximize the usability of the room. We have over 10,000 volumes and continually weed through and update our collection. We add approximately 200 new books every year with funds from the Book Fair profits and the PTO. Our circulation is fully automated and students have access to two computers for Accelerated Reader testing, research, and looking for books.

Our library is staffed with a library specialist, who provides standards-based instructional activities and weekly book checkout for all classes. The library is open to all students during the school day and remains open until 2:30 p.m. to allow parents and individual students the opportunity to check out books, do research, or take Accelerated Reader quizzes.

School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2020-21)

Using the most recently collected **Facility Inspection Tool (FIT)** data (or equivalent), provide a summary statement of the condition of the school facility, as required by Education Code sections 17014, 17032.5, 17070.75(a), and 17089(b), including:

- Determination of repair status for systems listed
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair
- The year and month in which the data were collected
- The rate for each system inspected
- The overall rating

This data should match the most recent inspection/FIT report for your school.

System Inspected	Repair Status (the marks should match your most recent inspection)	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	No apparent problems
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Fair	Classroom 3A: Stains on ceiling tiles. Classroom 5A: Stains on ceiling tiles. Classroom 8A: Hole in cabinet door. Classroom 10B: Stains on ceiling tiles. Classroom 12B: Stains on ceiling tiles. Classroom 13B: Stains on ceiling tiles, big hole in one tile. Classroom 14B: Stains on ceiling tiles. Multi-Purpose Room: Top of stage ceiling coming away.
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	No apparent problems
Electrical: Electrical	Good	No apparent problems
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Good	No apparent problems
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	No apparent problems
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Fair	Classroom 3A, 5A, 10B, 12B, 14B: stains on ceiling tiles. Classroom 13B: Stains on ceiling tiles, big hole in one tile.

System Inspected	Repair Status (the marks should match your most recent inspection)	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Poor	Grounds (Front Campus) Parking lot has lots of cracks. Grounds (Back Campus) Playground has lots of cracks.
Overall Rating:	Fair	Our school meets some of the standards for good repair, established by the Office of Public School Construction. If we have any deficiencies, they are not significant. We scored an average of 89.29% on the 8 categories of our evaluation.

Teacher Credentials

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include the number of teachers that fall into each category listed for the year indicated.

Teachers at this School	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	School 2020-21	District 2020-21
With Full Credential	17	14	14	213
Without Full Credential Without a full credential (includes LEA and university internships, pre-internships, emergency or other permits, and waivers)	3	6	4	34
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence CDE does not collect data on the number of teachers teaching outside their subject area of competence (with full credential). Teaching outside subject area data should be available in the LEA's personnel office. In most instances, teaching outside subject area is a subset of total teacher misassignments (see data definition for Teacher Misassignments).	0	0	0	15

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include the number of teachers that fall into each category listed for the year indicated.

Indicator	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners 'Misassignments' refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc.	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments '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.	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions 'Vacant Teacher Positions' refer to positions not filled by a single designated teacher assigned to teach the entire course at the beginning of the school year or semester.	0	0	0

Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2020-21)

This section describes 1) whether the textbooks and instructional materials used at the school are from the most recent adoption, 2) whether there are sufficient textbooks and instructional materials for each student 3) and information about the school's use of any supplemental curriculum or non-adopted textbooks or instructional materials.

List all textbooks and instructional materials used in the school in **core subjects** (reading/language arts, math, science, and history-social science), including:

- Year they were adopted
- Whether they were selected from the most recent list of standards-based materials adopted by the State Board of Education (SBE) or local governing board
- Percent of students who lack their own assigned textbooks and/or instructional materials*
- For kindergarten through grade 8 (K-8), include any supplemental curriculum adopted by local governing board

If an insufficiency exists, the description must identify the percent of students who lack sufficient textbooks and instructional materials. Be sure to use the most recent available data collected by the LEA and note the year and month in which the data were collected.

This data should match the most recent adoption of textbooks for your LEA.

Year and month in which the data were collected: September 2020

This section should be kept to 1-2 paragraphs.

The district chooses textbooks from lists that have been approved by the State Board of Education for Grades K-8. Sierra Sands Unified School District holds an annual public hearing prior to the eighth week of school to determine textbook and instructional materials sufficiency.

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Benchmark Advance (2017) Adopted in 2017	Yes	0
Mathematics	Go Math! Houghton Mifflin (2015) Adopted in 2015	Yes	0
Science	FOSS Next Generation Elementary (2019) Adopted in 2020	Yes	0
History-Social Science	California Studies Weekly (2018) Adopted in 2019	Yes	0
Foreign Language			
Health	Health and Fitness Adopted in 2005	Yes	0
Visual and Performing Arts	California Spotlight on Music Adopted in 2007 SRA Art Connections Adopted in 2007	Yes	0
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12 schools only)			

◆ means data is not required. The fields are intentionally not provided.

Expenditures per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-19)

Please review and complete the information below as needed.

- The fields that are highlighted yellow are populated for you with data provided by CDE.
- Percent differences, highlighted light-blue, are calculated by this form.
- The remaining data was copied over from last year’s SARC and should be reviewed/updated, with data from FY 18-19.

The most recent data available from CDE is for fiscal year 2018-19. For comparison purposes, data for the same fiscal year is requested from the school.

As this template is thoroughly reviewed each year, please note that the year listed, fiscal year 18-19, is correct.

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	8136.89	1923.15	6213.74	66462.62
District	♦	♦	5982.82	\$68,495
Percent Difference: School Site and District	♦	♦	3.8	-3.0
State	♦	♦	\$7,750	\$75,706
Percent Difference: School Site and State	♦	♦	-22.0	-13.0

♦ means data is not required. The fields are intentionally not provided.

Restricted expenditures come from money whose use is controlled by law or by a donor. Money that is designated for specific purposes by the district or governing board is not considered restricted.

Unrestricted expenditures are from money whose use, except for general guidelines, is not controlled by law or by a donor.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2019-20)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include specific information about the types of programs and services available at the school that support and assists students. For example, this narrative may include information about supplemental educational services.

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The PTO allocates money annually to each teacher. Each year Kiwanis sponsors a walk-a-thon, and a portion of the money is given back to each classroom. Title I funding is used to provide additional support through the Collaboration and Intervention Model and additional learning experiences before, during, and after school hours to under-performing students. This additional instruction helps them to achieve mastery of the common core state standards. Title I funding also provides a full time project teacher and a Kindergarten paraprofessional for three hours daily to support students and staff. Based on assessment data, staff members provide intervention to students who are not mastering standards and enrichment to those have already demonstrated mastery.

Professional Development (2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include the number of days provided for professional development and continuous professional growth in 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21.

Measure	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	3	3	5

Optionally, use this space to share information on the annual number of days provided for professional development and continuous professional growth for the school years 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21.

Questions that may be answered include:

- What are the primary/major areas of focus for staff development and specifically how were they selected? For example, were student achievement data used to determine the need for professional development in reading instruction?
- What are the methods by which professional development is delivered (e.g., after school workshops, conference attendance, individual mentoring, etc.)?
- How are teachers supported during implementation (e.g., through in-class coaching, teacher-principal meetings, student performance data reporting, etc.)?

This section should be kept to 1-2 paragraphs.

Sierra Sands Unified School District provided a minimum average of 3 days (or eighteen hours based on 6 hours/day) of professional development throughout the 2018-19 and 2019-20 school years and 5 days (or thirty hours based on 6 hours/day) in the 2020-21 school year. The primary/major areas of focus for professional development include but are not limited to: full implementation of adopted programs, alignment to Common Core State Standards, identification and implementation of best instructional practices, technology proficiency, data analysis of student performance, and student engagement. Additionally, sites provide professional development throughout the year as outlined in the School Plan for Student Achievement. Areas of focus were selected based upon department needs, CAASPP results, Interim Assessment Block (IAB) results, and Dashboard results. Professional development is delivered in a variety of ways including but not limited to conference attendance, contracted professional development/SSUSD Instructional Coaching delivered within the contractual workday, individual instructional coaching, and after school workshops.

School Completion and Postsecondary Preparation

**This section applies to schools serving grades 9-12 only.
If your school does not serve grades 9-12, simply skip and leave this section blank.
It will not be included in the full SARC.**

Career Technical Education Programs (School Year 2019-20)

Please review and complete the information below as needed. This section should include information about Career Technical Education (CTE) programs as follows:

- A list of programs offered by the school district in which pupils at the school may participate and that are aligned to the model curriculum standards adopted pursuant to Education Code Section 51226; and
- A list of program sequences offered by the school district. The list should identify courses conducted by a regional occupational center or program, and those conducted directly by the school district; and
- A listing of the primary representative of the district's CTE advisory committee and the industries represented on the committee.

As this template is thoroughly reviewed each year, please note that the year listed, 19-20, is correct. This section should be kept to 1-2 paragraphs.

Suspensions and Expulsions

(data collected between July through June, each full school year respectively)

Rate	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
Suspensions	2.9	2.8	6.6	7.1	3.5	3.5
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1

Suspensions and Expulsions for School Year 2019-2020 Only

(data collected between July through February, partial school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic)

Rate	School 2019-20	District 2019-20	State 2019-20
Suspensions	0.0	0.0	
Expulsions	0.0	0.1	

Note: The 2019-2020 suspensions and expulsions rate data are not comparable to prior year data because the 2019-2020 school year is a partial school year due to the COVID-19 crisis. As such, it would be inappropriate to make any comparisons in rates of suspensions and expulsions in the 2019-2020 school year compared to prior years.