

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	Mesquite Continuation High School
Street	140 West Drummond
City, State, Zip	Ridgecrest CA, 93555
Phone Number	(760) 499-1810
Principal	Jo Anne McClelland
E-mail Address	jmcclelland@ssusd.org
School Website	http://mesquite.ssusd.org/
CDS Code	15-73742-1530054
School Logo	 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 .

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 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	 <p>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.</p>

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

School Mission: Mesquite High School is a community in which adults lead students through learning the skills they need to form relationships, self-advocate, be responsible for actions and choices, and develop personal growth in order to graduate and be successful in life as adults.

Mesquite provides unique educational opportunities that help students successfully complete graduation requirements. Our enrollment is just over 80 students at any given time, but we average roughly 120 student enrollments each year. Our teacher/student ratio is 20/1. Beyond core and several elective courses, Mesquite students have the opportunity to enroll in work experience, community college coursework, credit recovery courses, summer school, elementary teaching assistant positions, vocational courses, and community service work to earn credits toward high school diploma completion.

Mesquite High School is involved, engaged, and supported by the community, the board of education, and the district. The Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) visited Mesquite in March 2018. The visiting committee recommended and the WASC board approved our accreditation for 6 years. CDE's Model School Visitation team also reviewed Mesquite and awarded our school a Model Continuation High School distinction in 2008, in 2011, and again in 2015.

It is Mesquite's goal to ensure that every student is college and/or career ready upon graduation from high school. Mesquite staff works diligently to prepare students for the challenges they face as college students and/or as employees. We constantly evaluate curriculum and programs and revise them for relevance so that students are well prepared and competitive upon entry to the adult world. Most recently we have added a Character Trait and Leadership program. We are also focused on providing career exploration and guidance for our students.

Our school motto is "Freedom Through Responsibility". We are very dedicated to helping our students become productive citizens as they mature into adulthood.

Jo Anne McClelland, Principal

[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.

Parents volunteer for such special activities as our Back-to-School Night and Prom. Mesquite has a position for a parent representative who attends the Superintendent's Council with the principal bi-monthly and a parent representative on the school site council. Mesquite has a web page to keep parents, students, and the 2020 SARC Input Form for Mesquite Continuation High School

community apprised of school activities and events. In addition, Mesquite continues to promote a parent portal to provide access to their student's information such as attendance, grades, schedule, and contact information. The Parent Square app is used extensively to keep parents updated on student and school events. We also conduct a parent survey each year for feedback on what they like and want for our students. The contact person for parent involvement is our principal, Jo Anne McClelland. She can be reached at (760) 499-1810.

[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.

Our small size creates a family-style atmosphere where students know each other and feel safe. Our staff members monitor the campus before, during, and after dismissal of school. We have a closed campus and require all visitors to register with the office before entering the campus. The principal conducts classroom walkthroughs several times each day and the campus supervisor monitors the grounds. A surveillance system was installed so that all areas of the campus can be viewed from the principal's office and by front office staff. A School Resource Officer is available when needed and is on campus several times per week. We discuss school safety at our bi-weekly staff meetings and review our site safety plan regularly. Lockdown drills, earthquake drills, and evacuation drills are conducted annually; fire drills occur once each semester. The staff has also been trained on how to keep students as safe as possible in the case of an intruder on campus. The principal's designee teacher attends the district safety committee meetings that are held quarterly. All staff members have been educated about the safety plan through an annual review. We have an AED installed on campus and have 4 staff members trained to use it along with general first aid. Our school safety plan is updated and reviewed by staff at the beginning of each school year and approved by the School Site Council during the 1st semester of each year.

[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: 12/7/2020

This section should be kept to 1-2 paragraphs.

Buildings

Mesquite High School was built in 1979 and is a two-building facility. These two buildings house classrooms, a media center, a kitchen, and an administrative office. The school landscape consists of beautiful lawns, trees,

and a gazebo. A dirt athletic area is on the north side of campus, with basketball courts and a parking lot to the south. Benches and tables have been installed around the campus for students to enjoy the area around the quad. A local artist designed and constructed a metal sculpture of the school mascot, a dragon, and it resides in the front of the school. It is a beautiful addition to the campus.

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.

Recently our HVAC system was replaced and upgraded in both wings.

Library

We have established a quiet room in lieu of a library for students to use when making up work or doing IS and where all students have access to chrome books. This room is monitored by an adult at all times.

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	Poor	Classroom MC 1: Carpet seam coming apart. Classroom MC 2: Carpet seam coming apart. Classroom MC 3: Ripped carpet, carpet coming up in SE corner, holes in west wall. Classroom 4: VCT cracking, cove base came off south wall. Classroom 11: Carpet came up and cove base came off in NW corner. Classroom 15: VCT cracking. Media Center: Cove base coming off west wall, carpet seams coming apart. Office: Transition strip in lounge is coming up, crack in north side wall entry way.
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	Good	No apparent problems.

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	Fair	Grounds (Front Campus) Parking lot has lots if big cracks.
Overall Rating:	Good	Our school meets most or all 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 90.99% 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	5	4	4	213
Without Full Credential Without a full credential (includes LEA and university internships, pre-internships, emergency or other permits, and waivers)	0	0	0	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	My Perspectives Pearson Education 2017	Yes	0
Mathematics	Algebra I/Geometry/Algebra II California AGA-Houghton Mifflin-2015	Yes	0
Science	<p>Biology (CP): Biology, The Living Earth (Pearson) Adopted in 2020</p> <p>Earth Science: HMH Science Dimensions Earth and Space Science (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt) Adopted in 2020</p> <p>Academy of Science Distance Learning Classes</p>	Yes	0
History-Social Science	<p>American Government: Impact CA Social Studies. Principles of American Democracy (McGraw Hill) Adopted in 2019</p> <p>Economics: Impact Principles of Economics (McGraw Hill) Adopted in 2019</p> <p>Modern World History: World History and the Modern World (Pearson) Adopted in 2019</p> <p>United States History: US History 20th Century CA Edition (Cengage) Supplemental: Voices Volume 2 Adopted in 2019</p> <p>World Geography: Geography the Human and Physical World (McGraw Hill) Adopted in 2019</p>	Yes	0
Foreign Language	Academy of Science Distance Learning Classes Adopted in 2020	Yes	0

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Health	Academy of Science Distance Learning Classes Adopted in 2020	Yes	0
Visual and Performing Arts			
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	18462.89	783.10	17679.79	106257.26
District	♦	♦	5982.82	\$68,495
Percent Difference: School Site and District	♦	♦	98.9	43.2
State	♦	♦	\$7,750	\$75,706
Percent Difference: School Site and State	♦	♦	78.1	33.6

♦ 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 assist students. For example, this narrative may include information about supplemental educational services.

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Student and staff needs are identified through the process of program analysis. Both state and federal resources are available to address these identified needs. In 2018-19, Mesquite was a targeted Title I school and the allocation was used to provide supplemental intervention through instructional and evidence-based programs in math and English which continued through the 2019-20 school year.

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.

We provide students with information about career and postsecondary options that are embedded in our classes. Students develop a plan to help them reach their goals to attend a trade or technical school, seek military careers, enter the workforce, or attend college. The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery and college placement exam for the local community college is administered on campus. Representatives from businesses and organizations are invited to help students explore a variety of career options. Many of our students are already working part-time in the community. All coursework satisfies graduation requirements and entrance into community college. Each year, students have the opportunity to attend the College Career Day where they can explore a variety of career paths, talk directly to employers, and get information about their areas of interest. We require each graduating senior to complete a resume and on-line career programs along with immediate and long-range goal planning.

Our traditional high school offers courses intended to help students prepare for the world of work. These career technical education (CTE) courses, formerly known as vocational education, are open to our students. Currently, those include Restaurant Careers, Criminal Justice, Industrial Arts, and Health Careers.

You can find information about our district's CTE courses and advisors in the Data Almanac at the end of this School Accountability Report Card. Information about career technical education policy is available on the CDE Web site.

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	11.7	18.1	6.6	7.1	3.5	3.5
Expulsions	0.7	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	0.7	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.