

School Accountability Report Card

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Santa Monica Alternative (K-8)

The School Accountability Report Card (SARC), which is required by law to be published annually, contains information about the condition and performance of each California public school. More information about SARC requirements is available on the SARC Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>. For additional information about the school, parents and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

I. Data and Access

DataQuest

DataQuest is an online data tool located at <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/> that contains additional information about this school and comparisons of the school to the district, the county, and the state. Specifically, DataQuest is a dynamic system that provides reports for accountability (e.g. Academic Performance Index [API], Adequate Yearly Progress [AYP], test data, enrollment, graduates, dropouts, course enrollments, staffing, and data regarding English learners).

Internet Access

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II. About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2009-10)

This section provides the school's contact information.

School		District	
School Name	Santa Monica Alternative (K-8)	District Name	Santa Monica-Malibu Unified
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School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2008-09)

This section provides information about the school, its programs and its goals.

VISION STATEMENT As a community of learners, the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District works together in a nurturing environment to help students be visionary, versatile thinkers; resourceful, life-long learners; effective, multilingual communicators and global citizens. We are a richly varied community that values the contributions of all its members. We exist to prepare all students in their pursuit of academic achievement and personal health and to support and encourage them in their development of intellectual, artistic, technological, physical and social expression.

School Mission Statement

At SMASH, we strive to help children become active citizens in a democracy that is still being shaped. We want our students to be a part of that shaping in ethical, moral, creative and thoughtful ways. There are three important components that serve as a guide in the development of the SMASH alternative program. First, we have a curriculum that builds upon student interest and real life issues and problems. Next, we provide a structure that offers flexibility that includes heterogeneous and multi-age group arrangements for children. Finally, we offer an environment that embraces freedom with responsibility and addresses the balance between the needs of the individual and the needs of the community. Our instructional staff is continuously focused on these important elements in order to build a solid, yet ever-changing, innovative program.

SMASH was founded in 1973 by parents, teachers and students as a progressive school of choice in the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District. Teachers use a constructivist approach to learning with a curriculum that builds upon and grows from student interest and real life issues and problems. This curriculum is developed collaboratively between teachers and students. Our structure is flexible including heterogeneous and multi-age groupings of children and we promote an environment that works with the tension and balance that exists between the needs of the individual and the needs of the community. Our ultimate goal is to nurture students to be competent, compassionate, confident and creative citizens in our continually changing world.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2008-09)

This section provides information about opportunities for parents to become involved with school activities.

Contact Person Name: Helga Schier or David Saltzman

Contact Person Phone Number: 310-396-2640

There are numerous ways to be involved as a parent at SMASH. We have an extremely active PTSA that consistently has 100% participation. The SMASH PTSA is founded upon the goals and values of the state and national PTA. This common goal for parents, teachers and students is to improve the lives of students, not only at SMASH, but within the larger community as well. Some of the ways to be involved include being a PTSA officer, committee chair, or attending meetings. Our PTSA has very committed individuals who work hard to promote the education of all students. In addition to our officers, SMASH has several PTSA committees including: Fundraising, Earthquake safety, Parent Education, and Diversity Advisory.

Parents can also be involved in our Site Council that meets monthly to develop goals for the school and to follow up on the effects of those goals.

Many parents volunteer in our classrooms on a regular basis. Parents often assist the teachers as well as offer their expertise in areas that support the curriculum.

SMASH knows that parents are the most important part of a child's education and they are part of the process in determining student goals. This is done in a collaborative way where students, parents and teachers look at a students' portfolio and help set new goals, both academic and social.

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Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays the number of students enrolled in each grade level at the school.

Grade Level	Number of Students	Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	20	Grade 8	19
Grade 1	20	Ungraded Elementary	0
Grade 2	20	Grade 9	0
Grade 3	20	Grade 10	0
Grade 4	24	Grade 11	0
Grade 5	24	Grade 12	0
Grade 6	24	Ungraded Secondary	0
Grade 7	22	Total Enrollment	193

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays the percent of students enrolled at the school who are identified as being in a particular group.

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment	Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
African American	5.18%	White (not Hispanic)	65.28%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.52%	Multiple or No Response	6.74%
Asian	9.84%	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	13.00%
Filipino	2.07%	English Learners	1.00%
Hispanic or Latino	10.36%	Students with Disabilities	10.00%
Pacific Islander	0.00%	n/a	--

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Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

This table displays by grade level the average class size and the number of classrooms that fall into each size category (a range of total students per classroom).

Grade Level	2006-07				2007-08				2008-09			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
Kindergarten	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
1	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
2	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
3	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
4	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
5	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
6	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
k-3	20.0	4	0	0	20.0	4	0	0	20.0	4	0	0
3-4	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
4-8	22.8	1	4	0	21.2	2	3	0	22.6	1	4	0
Other	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

III. School Climate

School Safety Plan (School Year 2008-09)

This section provides information about the school's comprehensive safety plan.

Children at SMASH are in a safe environment before, during and after school every day. In the mornings, staff members provide curb-side valet for families to ensure that families can drop off their children quickly and safely. Staff members are also on the yard to help supervise children for 15 minutes before school. During school, staff members provide supervision during break and lunch in order to maintain a safe environment for all children. Children are supervised for 15 minutes after school on the yard and after school care is available for all children.

All staff members are trained for emergencies including earthquakes, fires, and other potential issues. Drills are conducted regularly to make sure that all adults and children know what to do in the event of an emergency.

Suspensions and Expulsions

This table displays the rate of suspensions and expulsions (the total number of incidents divided by the total enrollment) at the school and district levels for the most recent three-year period.

Rate	School			District		
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Suspensions	0.0	1.6	0.1	2.9	5.3	4.4
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

Date School Safety Plan last reviewed:

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IV. School Facilities

School Facility Conditions

This section provides information about the condition of the school's grounds, buildings, and restrooms, and a description of any planned or recently completed facility improvements.

SMASH is a progressive school of choice located just a few blocks from the beach. Constructed in 1997, the school buildings are accentuated by high, open-air ceilings in keeping with the Modern style architecture. Classrooms are open and welcoming and are constructed to allow for classrooms to interconnect. This structure supports our practice of team teaching. A second phase of construction was completed in 2002 and three new classrooms were added to accommodate the student population. Our playground, restroom facilities, cafetorium and media center are cared for daily to provide for a safe and clean learning environment. To ensure the safety and preparedness of students and staff for all emergency situations, we have a school safety plan in place. We also conduct monthly fire evacuation drills and implement two comprehensive disaster preparedness drills each year. Our school safety plan is updated annually. The facility that supports our school is well-maintained and is in well-functioning condition.

The district participates in the State School Deferred Maintenance Program, which provides state matching funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis, to assist school districts with expenditures for major repair or replacement of existing school building components. Typically, this includes roofing, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, electrical systems, interior or exterior painting, and floor systems. For the 2008-09 school year, the district budgeted \$500,000 for the deferred maintenance program. This represents 0.4 percent of the district's general fund budget. Needed maintenance includes routine roof maintenance to keep warranties in effect, and deferred maintenance projects include flooring replacement, interior and exterior painting, and some light asphalt repairs. We are proud that our school district takes great efforts to ensure that our school is clean, safe, and functional. There are no emergency needs as defined by the Office of Public School Construction.

Planned Improvements (School Year 2009-2010)

As a part of Measure BB upgrades to our site, a front gate monitoring system will be installed as well as enhanced computer wiring throughout the campus.

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School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2009-10)

This table displays the results of the most recently completed school site inspection to determine the school facility's good repair status.

Item Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Gas Leaks	x			
Mechanical Systems	x			
Windows/Doors/Gates (interior and exterior)	x			
Interior Surfaces (walls, floors, and ceilings)		x		
Hazardous Materials (interior and exterior)	x	x		
Structural Damage	x			
Fire Safety	x	x		
Electrical (interior and exterior)	x			
Pest/Vermin Infestation	x			
Drinking Fountains (inside and outside)	x			
Restrooms	x			
Sewer	x			
Playground/School Grounds	x			
Roofs	x			
Overall Cleanliness	x			

Overall Summary of School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays the overall summary of the results of the most recently completed school site inspection.

Item Inspected	Facility Condition			
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Overall Summary		x		

Date of inspection: 12/16/2009

Completion date of inspection form: 12/16/2009

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V. Teachers

Teacher Credentials

This table displays the number of teachers assigned to the school with a full credential, without a full credential, and those teaching outside of their subject area of competence. Detailed information about teacher qualifications can be found on the DataQuest Web page at <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/>.

Teachers	School			District
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2008-09
With Full Credential	9	10	10	568
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	14
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0	n/a

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

This table displays the number of teacher misassignments (teachers assigned without proper legal authorization) and the number of vacant teacher positions (not filled by a single designated teacher assigned to teach the entire course at the beginning of the school year or semester). Note: Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

Indicator	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0

Core Academic Classes Taught by No Child Left Behind Compliant Teachers (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays the percent of classes in core academic subjects taught by No Child Left Behind (NCLB) compliant and non-NCLB compliant teachers in the school, in all schools in the district, in high-poverty schools in the district, and in low-poverty schools in the district. High poverty schools are defined as those schools with student participation of approximately 75 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low poverty schools are those with student participation of approximately 25 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program. More information on teacher qualifications required under NCLB can be found on the CDE Improving Teacher and Principal Quality Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq/>.

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by NCLB Compliant Teachers	Taught by Non-NCLB Compliant Teachers
This School	100.0%	0.0%
All Schools in District	90.3%	9.7%
High-Poverty Schools in District	--	--
Low-Poverty Schools in District	89.6%	10.4%

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VI. Support Staff

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays, in units of full-time equivalents (FTE), the number of academic counselors and other support staff who are assigned to the school and the average number of students per academic counselor. One FTE equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time.

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	--	--
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	--	--
Library Media Services Staff (paraprofessional)	0.3	--
Psychologist	0.3	--
Social Worker	--	--
Nurse	0.1	--
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	0.5	--
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	0.5	--
Other	--	--

VII. Curriculum and Instructional Materials

Quality, Currency, and Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2009-10)

Textbook Information

This section provides information about the quality, currency, and availability of the standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials used at the school, and information about the school's use of any supplemental curriculum or non-adopted textbooks or instructional materials.

All students at SMASH have access to state-approved and district adopted textbooks and instructional materials in all core academic areas. The district follows the state guidelines and cycles for textbook adoptions with new science materials purchased and implemented in the 2007-08 school year and new math texts in 2008-09. The district adopted new English Language Arts texts for grades 6 - 8 for 2009-10 and is in the process of adopting new English Language Arts texts for 2010-11. All students, including English Learners, have their own copy of textbooks, except in the case where "Big Books" are used for the entire classroom at the early primary level. Textbooks and instructional materials are recommended for Board approval through a comprehensive process by a district-wide committee of teachers and administrators. Members of the public are invited to review recommended materials and make comments prior to Board approval. As an alternative school, SMASH also provides its students with standards-mapped instructional materials that support cross-curricular and inquiry-based learning.

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This section provides information if any insufficiency exists, and the reason that each pupil does not have sufficient textbooks or instructional materials.

Textbook Availability

Textbooks and instructional materials used in the district in the core subject areas of English-Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and History-Social Science

Subject Area	Textbook Title and/or Publisher	Year of Adoption
English-Language Arts	CA McDougal-Littell Literature (6 - 8)	2009
English-Language Arts	Houghton Mifflin Reading (K - 5)	2003
History-Social Science	California Reflections (K - 5)	2006
History-Social Science	History Alive (6 - 8)	2006
Mathematics	Everyday Math (K - 5)	2008
Mathematics	CA Mathematics/Holt (6 - 8)	2008
Science	Focus On Science/Prentice Hall	2007
Science	Harcourt Science	2007

Percent of Pupils Who Lack Their Own Assigned Textbooks and Instructional Materials

This table displays information about the percent of pupils who lack their own assigned textbooks and instructional materials

Core Curriculum Area	Percent of Pupils Who Lack Their Own Assigned Textbooks and Instructional Materials
Reading/Language Arts	0%
Mathematics	0%
Science	0%
History-Social Science	0%
Foreign Language	0%
Health	0%
Visual and Performing Arts	0%
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)	0%

Textbook Information Collection Date: 10/15/2009

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VIII. School Finances

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2007-08)

This table displays a comparison of the school's per pupil expenditures from unrestricted (basic) sources with other schools in the district and throughout the state, and a comparison of the average teacher salary at the school site with average teacher salaries at the district and state levels. Detailed information regarding school expenditures can be found at the Current Expense of Education Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/> and teacher salaries can be found on the Certificated Salaries and Benefits Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Subject Area	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Supplemental)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Basic)	Average Teacher Salary
School	\$5,634.64	\$875.68	\$4,758.96	\$59,832.00
District	n/a	n/a	\$6,650.05	\$67,842.00
Percent Difference – School Site and District	--	--	39.7%	13.4%
State	n/a	n/a	\$5,512.00	\$65,905.00
Percent Difference – School Site and State	--	--	15.8%	10.2%

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2008-09)

This section provides information about the programs and supplemental services that are available at the school and funded through either categorical or other sources.

PTSA funds provide Instructional Assistants to each classroom, the SMASHing K-8 Arts Program (vocal music, drama, and visual arts), and the K-8 Spanish Foreign Language Program. Categorical and SMMUSD Equity Funds provide community service project support, inquiry-based mathematics training support, direct literacy services to students as well as staff training, social curriculum materials and training, and counseling services.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2007-08)

This table displays district salaries for teachers, principals, and superintendents, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size. The table also displays teacher and administrative salaries as a percent of a district's budget, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size. Detailed information regarding salaries may be found on the Certificated Salaries and Benefits Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Range	District	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$44,341.00	\$40,786.00
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$66,205.00	\$65,726.00
Highest Teacher Salary	\$89,135.00	\$85,230.00
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$112,623.00	\$106,548.00
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$115,538.00	\$112,237.00
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$133,042.00	\$121,617.00
Superintendent Salary	\$193,090.00	\$191,155.00
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	40.9%	40.6%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	6.5%	5.3%

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IX. Student Performance

Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

The Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program consists of several key components, including the California Standards Tests (CSTs); the California Modified Assessment (CMA), and the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA). The CSTs show how well students are doing in relation to the state content standards. The CSTs include English-language arts (ELA) and mathematics in grades two through eleven; science in grades five, eight, and nine through eleven; and history-social science in grades eight, and ten through eleven. The CAPA includes ELA, mathematics, and science in grades two through eleven, and for science for grades five, eight, and ten. The CAPA is given to those students with significant cognitive disabilities whose disabilities prevent them from taking either the CSTs with accommodations or modifications or the CMA with accommodations. The CMA includes ELA and mathematics for grades three through eight and science in grade five and is an alternate assessment that is based on modified achievement standards. The CMA is designed to assess those students whose disabilities preclude them from achieving grade-level proficiency on an assessment of the California content standards with or without accommodations. Student scores are reported as performance levels. Detailed information regarding the STAR Program results for each grade and performance level, including the percent of students not tested, can be found on the CDE Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Results Web site at <http://star.cde.ca.gov>. Program information regarding the STAR Program can be found in the Explaining 2008 STAR Program Summary Results to the Public guide at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/sr/documents/starpkt5intrpts.pdf>. Note: Scores are not shown 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. In no case shall any group score be reported that would deliberately or inadvertently make public the score or performance of any individual student.

Standardized Testing and Reporting Results for All Students – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the percent of students achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level (meeting or exceeding the state standards).

Subject	School			District			State		
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
English-Language Arts	50%	64%	64%	65%	67%	68%	43%	46%	50%
Mathematics	14%	39%	36%	52%	55%	56%	40%	43%	46%
Science	39%	52%	48%	58%	66%	69%	38%	46%	50%
History-Social Science	18%	27%	31%	50%	52%	57%	33%	36%	41%

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Standardized Testing and Reporting Results by Student Group – Most Recent Year

This table displays the percent of students, by group, achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level (meeting or exceeding the state standards) for the most recent testing period.

Group	Percentage of Students Scoring At Proficient or Advanced			
	English-Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	History-Social Science
African American	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native	--	--	--	--
Asian	46%	33%	--	--
Filipino	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	57%	21%	--	--
Pacific Islander	--	--	--	--
White (not Hispanic)	69%	43%	62%	--
Male	59%	35%	53%	--
Female	69%	37%	42%	--
Economically Disadvantaged	33%	0%	--	--
English Learners	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	--	--	--	--
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	--	--	--	--

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2007-08)

The California Physical Fitness Test is administered to students in grades 5, 7, and 9 only. This table displays by grade level the percent of students meeting the healthy fitness zone on all six fitness standards for the most recent testing period. Detailed information regarding this test, and comparisons of a school's test results to the district and state levels, may be found at the Physical Fitness Testing Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf/>. Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is 10 or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy, or to protect student privacy. In no case shall any group score be reported that would deliberately or inadvertently make public the score or performance of any individual student.

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	20.80%	62.50%	0.00%
7	31.80%	54.50%	0.00%
9	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

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National Assessment of Educational Progress

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is a nationally representative assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Assessments are conducted periodically in mathematics, reading, science, writing, the arts, civics, economics, geography, and U.S. history. Student scores for reading and mathematics are reported as performance levels (i.e., basic, proficient, and advanced) and the participation of students with disabilities (SD) and English language learners (ELL) is reported based on three levels (identified, excluded, and assessed). Detailed information regarding the NAEP results for each grade, performance level, and participation rate can be found on the National Assessment of Educational Progress Web page at <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/>.

Note: Only a sample group of California's schools and districts participate in the NAEP testing cycle. Therefore, students in any particular school or district may not be included in these results. The NAEP reflects state test results and is not reflective of either the LEA or the individual school. Comparisons of student performance on the NAEP and student performance on the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program assessments cannot be made without an understanding of the key differences between the two assessment programs. For example, the NAEP only assesses grades four, eight and twelve and for long-term trends assesses grades nine, thirteen, and seventeen. Additionally, the NAEP only provides state test results for grades four and eight. The California Standards Tests (CSTs) are based on a different set of standards than the NAEP assessments. For example, the NAEP is not aligned with California academic content and achievement standards and, therefore, does not necessarily reflect the curriculum and instruction to which students are exposed in the classroom. The NAEP assesses reading and writing separately, while the CSTs assess English-language arts (ELA), encompassing reading as well as writing conventions, spelling, and grammar. Scores on the CSTs and other assessments are not directly comparable to those on NAEP. The averages and percentages presented are estimates based on samples of students rather than on entire populations. Finally, the questions students respond to are only a sample of the knowledge and skills covered by the NAEP frameworks. Information on the differences between NAEP and CST can be found on the CDE National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/nr/>.

National Assessment of Educational Progress Reading and Mathematics Results by Grade Level – All Students

This table displays the scale scores and achievement levels on the National Assessment of Educational Progress Results for reading (2007) and mathematics (2009) for grades four and eight.

Subject and Grade Level	Average Scale Score		Percent at Achievement Level		
	State	National	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
Reading 2007, Grade 4	209	220	30	18	5
Reading 2007, Grade 8	251	261	41	20	2
Mathematics 2009, Grade 4	232	239	41	25	5
Mathematics 2009, Grade 8	270	282	36	18	5

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National Assessment of Educational Progress Reading and Mathematics Results for Students with Disabilities and/or English Language Learners by Grade Level – All Students

This table displays the state and national participation rates on the National Assessment of Educational Progress for reading (2007) and mathematics (2009) for students with disabilities and/or English language learners for grades four and eight.

Subject and Grade Level	State Participation Rate		National Participation Rate	
	Students with Disabilities	English Learners	Students with Disabilities	English Learners
Reading 2007, Grade 4	74	93	65	80
Reading 2007, Grade 8	78	92	66	77
Mathematics 2009, Grade 4	79	96	84	94
Mathematics 2009, Grade 8	85	96	78	92

X. Accountability

Academic Performance Index

The Academic Performance Index (API) is an annual measure of the academic performance and progress of schools in California. API scores range from 200 to 1,000, with a statewide target of 800. Detailed information about the API can be found at the API Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/>.

API Ranks – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the school's statewide and similar schools API ranks. The statewide API rank ranges from 1 to 10. A statewide rank of 1 means that the school has an API score in the lowest 10 percent of all schools in the state, while a statewide rank of 10 means that the school has an API score in the highest 10 percent of all schools in the state. The similar schools API rank reflects how a school compares to 100 statistically matched "similar schools." A similar schools rank of 1 means that the school's academic performance is comparable to the lowest performing 10 schools of the 100 similar schools, while a similar schools rank of 10 means that the school's academic performance is better than at least 90 of the 100 similar schools.

API Rank	2006	2007	2008
Statewide	--	--	--
Similar Schools	--	n/a	n/a

N/A means a number is not applicable or not available due to missing data.

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API Performance Index Growth by Student Group – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays by student group the actual API changes in points added or lost for the past three years, and the most recent API score. Note: "N/A" means that the student group is not numerically significant.

Group	Actual API Change			Growth API Score
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009
All Students at the School	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
African American	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
American Indian or Alaska Native	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Asian	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Filipino	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hispanic or Latino	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pacific Islander	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
White (not Hispanic)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
English Learners	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Students with Disabilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Adequate Yearly Progress

The federal NCLB Act requires that all schools and districts meet the following Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) criteria:

- Participation rate on the state's standards-based assessments in English-language arts (ELA) and mathematics
- Percent proficient on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- API as an additional indicator
- Graduation rate (for secondary schools)

Detailed information about AYP, including participation rates and percent proficient results by student group, can be found at the AYP Web page <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

AYP Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays an indication of whether the school and the district made AYP overall and whether the school and the district met each of the AYP criteria.

AYP Criteria	School	District
Overall	No	No
Participation Rate - English-Language Arts	No	Yes
Participation Rate - Mathematics	No	Yes
Percent Proficient - English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes
Percent Proficient - Mathematics	No	No
API	No	Yes
Graduation Rate	n/a	Yes

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Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2009-10)

Schools and districts receiving federal Title I funding enter Program Improvement (PI) if they do not make AYP for two consecutive years in the same content area (English-language arts or mathematics) or on the same indicator (API or graduation rate). After entering PI, schools and districts advance to the next level of intervention with each additional year that they do not make AYP. Detailed information about PI identification can be found at the AYP Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	Not Title I	Not In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		
Year in Program Improvement		
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	--	0
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	--	0

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XI. Instructional Planning and Scheduling

Professional Development

This section provides information on how teachers and staff are trained for instructional improvement.

All teachers and staff at school sites participate in ongoing professional development through banked time, a total of 90 minutes of meeting and professional development time each week at each site. In addition, there are up to three days set aside in our academic calendar for intensive professional development and planning.

Areas of district-wide focus for teacher and administrator professional development include implementation of newly adopted textbooks and other areas that are determined by a review of summative and formative data from all school sites and the collection of input from teachers and administrators. Among the primary focus areas for professional development in the SMMUSD schools are the following:

- *Developing Instructional Leadership Teams and Professional Learning Communities through Lesson Link, Academic Conferences and Learning Walks
- *Literacy and Mathematics -- standards based curriculum and instructional delivery
- *Using data to improve classroom instruction
- *Culturally relevant and responsive pedagogy
- *Supporting students with special needs
- *Differentiated Instruction for all students, including English Learners
- *Technology integration

A variety of methodologies are used to provide professional development, including coaching and mentoring. SMMUSD provides coaching through several programs such as BTSA, National Boards, literacy and ELD coaching, Instructional Leadership Teams, and such specialized programs as Cotsen Fellows and EETT Mentor/Coaches. Additionally, professional development occurs through workshop series during banked time and/or after school opportunities.

Each August, all teachers new to Santa Monica-Malibu are invited to participate in Teacher Academy, a professional development and orientation to district wide curriculum and instructional initiatives. All eligible new teachers are encouraged to participate in BTSA. Teachers interested in applying for National Board Certification may participate in the process and can elect to be supported by teachers who have already achieved National Board Certification.

In addition, each year, at individual school sites, teachers and administrators review data, discuss options and select additional areas of focus for the staff as a whole as well as for departments and/or grade level teams as appropriate.

At SMASH, grade level teams work with a) consultants from Teachers College on the Writing Workshop process, b) math consultants on problem-solving strategies for students, and c) action researchers on student-lead investigations.

Professional Development Days

This table displays information on the annual number of school days dedicated to staff development for the most recent three-year period.

	Instructional Days With At Least 180 Instructional Minutes		
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Annual number of school days dedicated to staff development	3	3	3