

Executive Summary School Accountability Report Card 2006-2007

Pinetree Community Elementary

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This executive summary of the School Accountability Report Card (SARC) is intended to provide parents and community members with a quick snapshot of school accountability. The data presented in this report is reported for the 2006-07 school year, except the School Finances and School Completion data that are reported for the 2005-06 school year. For additional information about the school, parents, and community members should review the entire SARC or contact the school principal or the district office.

About This School

Pinetree Community School is located in a middle class, suburban area in the northern end of the Santa Clarita Valley. Our campus is in a residential area and serves a growing, mixed socioeconomic population who live in both single and multiple family dwellings.

Pinetree Community School opened in 1988 and operated on a Multi-Track Year Round calendar until the 2004-2005 school year. Due to declining enrollment, Pinetree converted to a blended calendar, aligning with the other schools in the Sulphur Springs School District. We currently house and educate approximately 750 students in grades K-6. Our ethnic population is approximately 50% White, 35% Hispanic, 6% Asian, 4% Filipino, and 5% African American. Our Limited English students make up about 7% of our student population and benefit from our daily English Language Development instruction. Our GATE students represent about 9% of our student body. Approximately 10% of our total school population is socio-economically disadvantaged. Special Education services offered at Pinetree include 2 full-time Special Day Classes inclusive of grades 1 through 6, a full time Resource Specialist teacher, an 80% Speech and Language Specialist and our special needs students are supported with a wide range of special services.

As an indication of our commitment to academic excellence, Pinetree was named a California Distinguished School in 2004. In a large part, our success can be contributed to the excellence of our experienced teaching staff. The average years teaching experience is approximately 16. The average years teaching in Sulphur Springs School district for the Pinetree teachers is 15. Many of our teachers have dedicated their years teaching only at Pinetree Community School.

Our school has demonstrated a commitment to keeping technology as an integral part of each student's education. Each classroom is equipped with at least one networked computer, has tv/vcr access, and is wired for cable. Additionally, the Pioneer Television Network (closed circuit television broadcast) was created in the 2004-2005 school year. Morning announcements are broadcasted daily to the entire school via this network. A computer lab with 34 computers and a computer resource area within our library media center are other ways students are introduced and involved with technology. All students participate in the Accelerated Reader Program. A majority of our library books have accompanying Accelerated Reader tests to go with them. Our school's personalized home page on the Internet enables students, parents and community members to keep informed of school happenings, and communicate with staff through E-mail. We also utilize the Connect _ED system. Monthly electronic phone messages enable us to communicate quickly with parents on a school-wide scale.

Parents are an integral part of the school community. The PTA devotes many volunteer hours to support our academic program. Additionally, they provide funds, which support programs such as music and physical education as well as technology, disaster preparedness, and other site needs.

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Student Enrollment

Group	Enrollment
Number of Students	769
African-American	4.0%
Asian	4.9%
Filipino	4.0%
Hispanic or Latino	28.0%
White (Not Hispanic)	58.3%
Multiple or No Response	0.4%
Economically Disadvantaged	13.0%
English Learners	5.0%
Students With Disabilities	9.0%

Teachers

Indicator	Teachers
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0
Teachers With Full Credential	36
Teachers Without Full Credential	0

School Facilities

Summary of Most Recent Site Inspection

Pinetree Community School was built in 1988 and therefore is approaching 20 years old. The school has two main "pod" buildings with central instructional space as well as 16 portable classrooms. All classrooms have access to the Internet and close-circuit cable television. All classrooms and the cafeteria have air conditioning and forced air heat. There are restrooms located in the upper grade wing, the kindergarten classroom area and the primary grade wing. Restrooms are cleaned daily as is the cafeteria, classrooms, and grounds. The campus also has a computer lab with 32 computers, SMART Board, and a closed-circuit television studio. There is also a science lab in the upper grade wing equipped with a SMART Board for hands-on science experiments. The school also has a cafeteria and full kitchen with indoor seating which opens to an amphitheater. Pinetree has a large library with books, tables, carpet area, and computer center for learning. The play area consists of a large field with a 1/5-mile track, soccer field, and softball fields. There is a large jungle gym and sand box area, two black top areas for primary and upper grade students to play tetherball, handball, volleyball, and basketball. There is a separate sandbox area for kindergarten students with swings, jungle gym, and a black top play area. There is a sunshade at the entrance of the school for the students to wait for valet pick-up afterschool. The school has prepared a well-stocked emergency bin which is located on campus.

Repairs Needed

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			
Structural Damage	X			
Fire Safety	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			

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Overall Cleanliness	X				
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Curriculum and Instruction Materials

Core Curriculum Areas	Pupils Who Lack Textbooks and Instructional Materials
Reading/Language Arts	0%
Mathematics	0%
Science	0%
History-Social Science	0%
Foreign Language	
Health	0%
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)	

School Finances

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted Sources Only)
State	\$4,943.00

Student Performance

Subject	Students Proficient and Above on California Standards Tests
English-Language Arts	60.0%
Mathematics	69.0%
Science	59.0%

Academic Progress

Indicator	Result
API Score	839

School Completion

Indicator	Result
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Postsecondary Preparation

Measures	Percent
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