# Borrego Springs High School School Accountability Report Card Reported Using Data from the 2016-17 School Year

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

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

### **DataQuest**

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# **About This School**

### **Contact Information (School Year 2017-18)**

School Contact Info	School Contact Information				
School Name	Borrego Springs High School				
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City, State, Zip	Borrego Springs, CA 92004				
Phone Number	(760) 767-5335				
Principal	Katherine Girvin				
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District Contact Information			
<b>District Name</b>	Borrego Springs USD		
Phone Number	(760) 767-5357		
Superintendent	Mark Stevens		
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Web Site	www.bsusd.com		

### School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2017-18)

The community of Borrego Springs is located 80 miles northeast of San Diego and is isolated by the surrounding mountains and 600,000 acres of the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Borrego Springs High School is a comprehensive high school. The high school features art classes and a variety of ROP/CTE courses. Borrego Springs High also offers AP English, AP History, AP Spanish and AP Science classes on-line. There are nine classrooms, a science lab, a multipurpose room, a library with computer work stations and an additional 24 port computer lab. There is also a cafeteria, a faculty lunch room, and a middle/high school office. Each classroom has internet connectivity and at least three or four desktop computers for research projects. The entire campus has wi-fi available to students and staff, with a security access code. The science lab has eighteen computers in a lab-type arrangement which facilitates the incorporation of technology into science. Each student is given a chrome book for their own personal use. The students will keep the chrome books upon graduation. Digital projectors are installed in each classroom.

The educational community of Borrego Springs includes parents, students, staff in partnership with the community. It is the mission of the Borrego Springs High School Community to graduate students with an accredited high school diploma, prepared for post-high school studies and the world of work.

# Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2016-17)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 9	27
Grade 10	37
Grade 11	40
Grade 12	29
Total Enrollment	133

# Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2016-17)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment	
Black or African American	0	
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	
Asian	0	
Filipino	0	
Hispanic or Latino	84.2	
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	
White	15.8	
Two or More Races	0	
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	92.5	
English Learners	22.6	
Students with Disabilities	7.5	
Foster Youth	0	

# A. Conditions of Learning

# **State Priority: Basic**

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

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

### **Teacher Credentials**

Totalon		District		
Teachers	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2017-18
With Full Credential	12	9.5	9	22
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	6	0	3	4

### **Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions**

Indicator	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments *	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	1	0	0

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

# Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2017-18)

## Year and month in which data were collected: 9/15/2017

All textbooks and instructional materials used at Borrego Springs High School are aligned with with the California Academic Content Standards and Frameworks and have been selected from the state's most recent list of standards-based materials. The high school follows the state Board of Education's eight-year adoption cycle for core content materials. The district held a Public Hearing in September 2017 and determined that each school within the district had sufficient and good quality textbooks or instructional materials, pursuant to the settlement of Williams vs. the state of California. All students, including English language learner students, are provided their own individual textbooks in core subjects for use in their classrooms and to take home to complete required homework assignments.

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	McDougal Littell, Adopted 2002; 2009	Yes	0
Mathematics	Integrated Math 1, 2 and 3; Carnegie 2013; 2017	Yes	0
Science	Holt Science and technology, Prentice Hall adopted 2000, Glencoe	Yes	0
History-Social Science	Cayton, Adopted 2007; McDougal Little, Adopted 2006, Glencoe/McGraw Hill Adopted 2008	Yes	0
Foreign Language	Advanced Academics Spanish; Discovering French Holt-McDougal, 2013	Yes	0
Health	Glencoe, 1996	Yes	0
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)	Well equipped with the necessary equipment for all students to actively participate	Yes	0

<sup>\*</sup> Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

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

Borrego Springs High School provides a safe, clean environment for students, staff, and volunteers. The high school campus was built in 1962. School facilities include a modern gymnasium, multipurpose room, administrative offices, and nine classrooms situated in an attractive, park-like setting. The locker room facilities and bathrooms were modernized for handicapped accessibility and outside landscape upgrades were completed in the 2004-05 school year. The facility strongly supports teaching and learning through its ample classroom and recreation space. The high school campus is used throughout the year by our community for activities including meetings, youth sports programs and night classes. Facility information current as of September, 2017.

### School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

Using the most recently collected FIT data (or equivalent), provide the following:

- 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 overall rating

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 09/19/17					
Ct I	F	Repair Stat	us	Repair Needed and	
System Inspected	Good	Fair	Poor	Action Taken or Planned	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Х				
Interior: Interior Surfaces		Х		Tiles missing, interior surfaces damaged. Scheduled for repair during 2017-18.	
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Х				
Electrical: Electrical			х	Lights out, Improper use of safety strips, Panels blocked, Diffuser cracked, Broken light switch. Scheduled for repair during 2017-18.	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains		Х		Drinking fountain/sink handles missing or damaged. Scheduled for repair during 2017-18.	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Х				
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Х				
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Х				

# **Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)**

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 09/19/17					
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor	
Overall Rating		Х			

# **B. Pupil Outcomes**

# **State Priority: Pupil Achievement**

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

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

CAASPP Test Results in English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for All Students Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven

	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)						
Subject	School		District		State		
	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17	2015-16	2016-17	
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	74	61	39	33	48	48	
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	7	19	17	14	36	37	

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

# **CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group**

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2016-17)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	39	36	92.31	61.11
Male	17	15	88.24	60
Female	22	21	95.45	61.9
Hispanic or Latino	32	31	96.88	58.06
White		1	1	
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	38	35	92.11	60
English Learners	17	16	94.12	25
Students with Disabilities			-	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				

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

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

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

# **CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group**

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2016-17)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	39	36	92.31	19.44
Male	17	15	88.24	13.33
Female	22	21	95.45	23.81
Hispanic or Latino	32	31	96.88	12.9
White		1	1	
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	38	35	92.11	20
English Learners	17	16	94.12	6.25
Students with Disabilities			-	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				

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

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# CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students Grades Five, Eight, and Ten

	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced							
Subject	School		Dist	trict	State			
	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16		
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	40	42	47	32	56	54		

Note: Science test results include California Standards Tests (CSTs), California Modified Assessment (CMA), and California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) in grades five, eight, and ten.

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.

Note: The 2016-17 data are not available. The California Department of Education is developing a new science assessment based on the Next Generation Science Standards for California Public Schools (CA NGSS). The new California Science Test (CAST) was piloted in spring 2017. The CST and CMA for Science will no longer be administered.

# **Career Technical Education Programs (School Year 2016-17)**

The Regional Occupational Program (ROP) is well represented at Borrego Springs High School. The course offerings are:

**ROP Auto** 

ROP Computerized Graphic Design/Desktop Publications

**ROP Computer Applications** 

**ROP Welding** 

**ROP Beginning Graphic Design** 

**ROP Digital Photography** 

These classes fulfill the Practical Arts graduation requirements for Borrego Springs High School. The ROP Graphic Design class also fulfills the Fine Arts graduation requirement. It is also UC approved as a Visual and Performing Arts course.

**Career Technical Education Participation (School Year 2016-17)** 

Measure	CTE Program Participation				
Number of pupils participating in CTE					
% of pupils completing a CTE program and earning a high school diploma	0				
% of CTE courses sequenced or articulated between the school and institutions of postsecondary education	0				

### Courses for University of California (UC) and/or California State University (CSU) Admission

UC/CSU Course Measure	Percent
2016–17 Pupils Enrolled in Courses Required for UC/CSU Admission	95.49
2015–16 Graduates Who Completed All Courses Required for UC/CSU Admission	34.38

# **State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes**

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

Pupil outcomes in the subject areas of physical education.

### California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2016-17)

Grade	Perce	ndards	
Level	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
9	20.8	50	

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

# C. Engagement

### State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Parental Involvement (Priority 3):

Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each schoolsite.

### Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2017-18)

Parents and the community are very supportive of the educational program at Borrego Springs High School. Due to the nature of Borrego Spring's small, close-knit community, local people and organizations heavily invest time and money into the development of the next generation of well-rounded, educated, and responsible citizens. The High School Site Council meets monthly to review school programs and student data. The Spanish-speaking parents participate in the District English Language Advisory Committee throughout the year. Community members and parents volunteer at the school to provide one-on-one tutoring and/or small group tutoring in English and math, act as coaches for athletic teams, and participate in booster club activities. The support of parents, community members, and local businesses instills students at Borrego Springs High School with a sense of pride in their school and connection to their community.

Parents and community members who wish to volunteer or participate in Borrego Springs High School's leadership teams, school committees, and school activities may contact Principal Katherine Girvin at (760) 767-5335.

# **State Priority: Pupil Engagement**

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Pupil Engagement (Priority 5):

- High school dropout rates; and
- High school graduation rates.

**Dropout Rate and Graduation Rate (Four-Year Cohort Rate)** 

la d'antan	School			District			State		
Indicator	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
<b>Dropout Rate</b>	18.2	7.7	13.5	19.4	7.1	13.5	11.5	10.7	9.7
<b>Graduation Rate</b>	72.73	92.31	86.49	72.22	92.86	86.49	80.95	82.27	83.77

Completion of High School Graduation Requirements - Graduating Class of 2016 (One-Year Rate)

		Graduating Class of 2016					
Group	School	District	State				
All Students	91.43	54.15	87.11				
Black or African American	0	50	79.19				
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	80.17				
Asian	0	100	94.42				
Filipino	0	0	93.76				
Hispanic or Latino	92.31	51.16	84.58				
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0	86.57				
White	100	100	90.99				
Two or More Races	50	33.33	90.59				
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	89.66	54.59	85.45				
English Learners	100	43.42	55.44				
Students with Disabilities	100	57.89	63.9				
Foster Youth	0	66.67	68.19				

# **State Priority: School Climate**

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

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

# **Suspensions and Expulsions**

Data.	School			District			State		
Rate	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Suspensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	3.8	3.7	3.6
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

### School Safety Plan (School Year 2017-18)

Safety of students and staff is a primary concern of Borrego Springs High School. Borrego Springs High School welcomes visitors, but asks all visitors to sign in at the front office, to be respectful of the learning process, and to minimize classroom disruptions. Before and after school, and during lunch, teachers and the site principal monitor campus activity and ensure student safety.

The Comprehensive Safe School Plan was developed by the District to comply with Senate Bill 187 (SB 187) of 1997. The plan provides students and staff a means of ensuring a safe and orderly learning environment. Each school includes the following requirements of SB 187 within their safe school plans; current status of school crime; child abuse reporting procedures; disaster procedures, routine and emergency; policies related to suspension and expulsion; notification to teachers; sexual harassment policy; provision of a school-wide dress code; safe ingress and egress of pupils, parents, and school employees; safe and orderly school environment; and school rules and procedures.

The school evaluates the safety plan annually and updated it in October, 2017. Safety procedures, including elements of the Safe School Plan, are reviewed with school and district staff as well as the School Site Council at the start of each school year. A Safe Schools Committee was formed in December 2012 to review and revise the School Safety Plan. A copy of the plan is available for public review at the school office.

Borrego Springs Middle School and High School collaborate with local law enforcement in drills and simulations of threatening situations that might endanger our students. A highly realistic "Shooter on Campus" drill is annually held in collaboration with the Sheriff's Department and the State Park Peace Officers. A Canine Narcotics Unit visits the High School every year. Fire drills and/or earthquake drills are also conducted regularly, per education code. Parking lots have been designated for "visitors only" in order to ensure oversight of visitors on campus. Narcotic canine units visit the site without notice to staff and students.

An updated campus map indicating student gathering points and critical utility shut-off valves is placed in all classrooms and also resides in the school and district office.

# D. Other SARC Information

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

# Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2017-18)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	Not in PI	Not In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		
Year in Program Improvement*		
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	2
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	66.7

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

### Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

		201	4-15			201	5-16			201	6-17	
Subject	Avg.	Numb	er of Clas	srooms	Avg.	Numb	er of Class	srooms	Avg.	Numb	er of Clas	srooms
	Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+	Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+	Class Size	1-22	23-32	33+
English	9	16	2	1	10	17	1	1	12	11	3	
Mathematics	13	8	2		6	3			11	2		
Science	15	6	1		14	7	1		17	3	3	
Social Science	8	9	2	1	13	6	2	1	10	9	3	

Note: Number of classes indicates how many classrooms fall into each size category (a range of total students per classroom). At the secondary school level, this information is reported by subject area rather than grade level.

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2016-17)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	.6	130
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	.6	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	.2	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	1	N/A
Psychologist	.25	N/A
Social Worker	0	N/A
Nurse	.2	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	.3	N/A
Resource Specialist	0	N/A
Other	0	N/A

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

Expenditures per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

		Average			
Level	Total	Supplemental/ Restricted	Basic/ Unrestricted	Teacher Salary	
School Site	12565	1550.00	11016	56790	
District	N/A	N/A	10461	56893	
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	5.2	-0.2	
State	N/A	N/A	\$6,574	\$62,381	
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	50.5	-9.4	

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

### Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2016-17)

For the 2016-17 school year, Borrego Springs Unified School District spent an average of \$16,251 to educate each student. These expenditures cover the entirety of the educational program at BSUSD, from transportation to classroom supplies.

Borrego Springs Unified School District receives additional state and federal funding for special programs. Many categorical programs were completely eliminated in 2013-14 due to the formation of the Local Control Funding Formula. For the 2016-17 school year, the district received approximately \$5,143 per student in federal and state aid for the following categorical and support programs:

- Special Education
- Interagency Contracts
- Home-to-School Transportation
- Instructional Materials
- Title I
- Title II
- Title III
- Title IV
- Child Nutrition
- After school education and safety (ASES)

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

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2015-16)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary		\$41,164
Mid-Range Teacher Salary		\$61,818
Highest Teacher Salary		\$84,567
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)		\$96,125
Average Principal Salary (Middle)		\$103,336
Average Principal Salary (High)		\$101,955
Superintendent Salary		\$126,855
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	30%	32%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5%	6%

For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/.

### Advanced Placement (AP) Courses (School Year 2016-17)

Subject	Number of AP Courses Offered*	Percent of Students In AP Courses
Computer Science		N/A
English	1	N/A
Fine and Performing Arts		N/A
Foreign Language		N/A
Mathematics		N/A
Science		N/A
Social Science	2	N/A
All courses	3	7.5

Cells with N/A values do not require data.

### **Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)**

Training and Curriculum Development at Borrego Springs High School revolves around the California State content Standards and Frameworks, and implementation of the new Common Core Standards. Because of the small teaching staff, curriculum and staff development decisions are made by the entire staff working directly with the principal. At the end of the 2016-17 school year, all staff gave input into the staff development plan. The high school recently completed the WASC self-study for the 2016-17 school year. In addition, our District's LCAP and High School SIPSA designate areas in need of PD for staff: writing, vocabulary development, ELD Standards, MAP, COMPASS Learning. Furthermore, the WASC Probationary Progress Report, April 2016, noted Professional Development as an Action Goal, which included having continued PD in formative assessment/differentiated instruction and ELD standards.

To acquire necessary knowledge, upgrade skills, and develop professionally, Borrego Springs High School's staff members are encouraged to attend workshops and conferences in their subject areas. Teachers regularly share best practices based on their own advanced education and/or specialized training with their colleagues during monthly collaborations. Peer walk-throughs and observations provide feedback to the teachers, and provide new instructional strategies for the observing teacher.

Borrego Springs Unified School District assists new teachers with building classroom skills and instructional techniques by offering Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment (BTSA), a state-sponsored two-year program designed for first- and second-year credentialed teachers.

A committee meets regularly to plan staff development for all other staff in the areas of school culture and school-wide behavior expectations.

All high school teachers have attended CCSS training and all have received Smarter Balanced Assessment training. Staff meets regularly for student monitoring around struggling students and RTI (response to intervention) and formative assessment strategies.

<sup>\*</sup>Where there are student course enrollments of at least one student.