

**School Accountability Report Card Reported for School Year 2008-09 Published During 2009-10**

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 California Department of Education (CDE) [SARC Web page](#). 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 on the CDE [DataQuest Web page](#) 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**

Internet access is available at public libraries and other locations that are publicly accessible (e.g., the California State Library). Access to the Internet at libraries and public locations is generally provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Other use restrictions include the hours of operation, the length of time that a workstation may be used (depending on availability), the types of software programs available on a workstation, and the ability to print documents.

**II. About This School****Contact Information (School Year 2009-10)**

School		District	
School Name	Palermo Union Community Day (5-8)	District Name	Palermo Union Elementary
Street	7350 Bulldog Way	Phone Number	530-533-4842
City, State, Zip	Palermo , CA 95968	Web Site	<a href="http://www.palermoschools.org">www.palermoschools.org</a>
Phone Number	530-533-4708	Superintendent	Samuel Chimento
Principal	Kathleen Coleman	E-mail Address	<a href="mailto:schiment@palermoschools.org">schiment@palermoschools.org</a>
E-mail Address	<a href="mailto:kcoleman@palermoschools.org">kcoleman@palermoschools.org</a>	CDS Code	04- 61523- 6116693

**School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2008-09)**

The Palermo Union School District is comprised of six schools: Helen Wilcox (K-3), Honcut (K-2), Palermo (6-8), and two Community Day schools; K-7 and 5-8. The district encompasses a 75 square mile area located in Butte County in the northern Sacramento Valley. Palermo has an ongoing Memorandum of Understanding with Oroville for the placement of up to 12 Oroville "at risk" students in Community Day K-7 or 5-8. The school is funded through the Necessary Small School Funding program for "at risk" students. Each student has an Individualized Rehabilitation Plan with a required weekly counseling and community service component. Typically students are enrolled for one or two trimesters and are able to apply for re-admittance back into the traditional school setting.

**Mission Statement**

The Palermo Community Day School: 5-8 is designed to meet the needs of students who are exhibiting behavioral, academic, and/or attendance problems. The intent of the program is to help students develop problem-solving skills and more effective coping strategies that will result in a greater chance of success when they return to the regular school setting. CDS staffs maintain high expectations across the academic, social, and emotional domains, and will remain committed to developing increased resiliency within students.

**Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2008-09)**

Parents and guardians are given the opportunity to work in a mutually supportive and respectful partnership with the school to help their child succeed. Parents are welcome to volunteer in the classroom and for fundraising and community events. Parents and guardians may support their child's learning environment by monitoring school attendance and homework completion.

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

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 5	0
Grade 6	0
Grade 7	2
Grade 8	3
Total Enrollment	5

**Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2008-09)**

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
African American	20.00 %
American Indian or Alaska Native	0%
Asian	0%
Hispanic or Latino	20.00 %
White (not Hispanic)	40.00 %
Multiple or No Response	20.00 %
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	100.00 %
English Learners	9.00 %
Students with Disabilities	0%

**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+
4-8												
Other				3.0	1			5.0	1			

**III. School Climate**

**School Safety Plan (School Year 2008-09)**

In compliance with Ed Code 35329.6, the District Comprehensive Safety Plan/Emergency Management Plan is reviewed, updated and approved by the Governing Board annually by March 1. Each school maintains a copy of the Safety Plan on site and a copy of the site Emergency Conditions portion of the plan in each classroom. Key elements of the Safety Plan include: a plan of action for maintaining a safe and orderly environment conducive to learning at the school (ie: assessment of school safety, identification of strategies and programs that will maintain school safety and campus security) and emergency management procedures consistent with the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS) developed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Key elements of the site Emergency Conditions include: a plan of action for a coordinated school wide response to emergencies (i.e. intruder on campus, fire, emergency lockdown, evacuation, etc). Safety drills are held on a regular basis. Fire drills are held monthly. Earthquake/disaster and intruder drills are held twice a year. Visitors to the campus are required to sign in at the school office and wear a visitor's pass at all times.

**Suspensions and Expulsions**

Rate	School			District		
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Suspensions	660.0	766.7	700.0	50.5	17.9	19.1
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	1.3	1.0

**IV. School Facilities**

**School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (School Year 2009-10)**

**School Facilities:** Condition of school facilities meets Education Code Sections: 17014 Necessary repairs, renewals and replacements; enforcement; plan preparation certification; 17032.5 Portable classrooms; leases, conditions; 17010.75(a) Maintenance of facilities; and 17089(b) Lease of portable classrooms; amount; maintenance; repairs; costs. Facilities are maintained in a manner to ensure that it is clean and safe and functional as determined by an evaluation instrument developed by the State of California Office of Public Construction.

**Teaching and learning space:** The Palermo Community Day 5-8 has one portable classroom approximately 4 years old with library, computer and music resources. Staff and student bathrooms are adequate and are maintained in clean and working order. The outside area includes grass, large trees and concrete picnic tables and benches maintained in safe and working order.

**Maintenance and repair:** District maintenance staffs ensure that any necessary repairs are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used to provide efficient service and ensure that emergency repairs are given the highest priority.

**Cleaning process:** The district governing board has adopted cleaning and safety standards for all schools in the district. A summary of these standards is available at the school office or the district office. The Maintenance & Operations Supervisor works with custodial staff to develop cleaning schedules to ensure a clean and safe school. A Safety & Cleaning checklist for is used during school breaks (summer, Christmas, and Easter).

**Deferred maintenance:** 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.

Maintenance projects for 2008-2009 included: general repairs and painting.

**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
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor	
<b>Systems:</b> Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer		X			
<b>Interior:</b> Interior Surfaces		X			
<b>Cleanliness:</b> Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation		X			
<b>Electrical:</b> Electrical		X			
<b>Restrooms/Fountains:</b> Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains		X			
<b>Safety:</b> Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials		X			
<b>Structural:</b> Structural Damage, Roofs		X			
<b>External:</b> Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences		X			
<b>Overall Rating</b>	EXEMPLARY				

**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 CDE [DataQuest](#) Web page.

Teachers	School			District
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2008-09
With Full Credential	1	1	1	75
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
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
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	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.

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	100.0	0.0
High-Poverty Schools in District	100.0	0.0
Low-Poverty Schools in District	100.0	0.0

**VI. Support Staff**

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

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Psychologist	.03	N/A
Nurse	.01	N/A

**VII. Curriculum and Instructional Materials**

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

Core Curriculum Area	Quality, Currency, and Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials	Percent of Pupils Who Lack Their Own Assigned Textbooks and Instructional Materials
Reading/Language Arts	Prentice Hall: Timeless Voices, Timeless Themes 2002	0%
Mathematics	Holt California Mathematics 2008	0%
Science	CPO Science: Focus on Earth, Life, and Physical Science 2006	0%
History-Social Science	Teacher's Curriculum Institute History Alive 2005	0%

**VIII. School Finances**

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

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Supplemental / Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Basic / Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$8827	-0-	\$8827	\$59,071
District	N/A	N/A	\$8827	\$59,071
Percent Difference – School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-0-	-0-
State	N/A	N/A	\$5,512	\$63,421
Percent Difference – School Site and State	N/A	N/A	2%	11%

**Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2008-09)**

No State or Federal funds are allocated to this school through the Consolidated Application Part II.

**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 based on the salary schedule. Detailed information regarding salaries may be found on the CDE [Certificated Salaries & Benefits](#) Web page.

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$40,866	\$41,031
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$56,794	\$63,366
Highest Teacher Salary	\$78,473	\$80,596
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$80,224	\$100,937
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$94,381	\$105,066
Average Principal Salary (High)		\$106,534
Superintendent Salary	\$125,904	\$147,438
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	39.20 %	40.60 %
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	7.50 %	6.10 %

**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. Program information regarding the STAR Program can be found in the [Explaining 2008 STAR Program Summary Results to the Public](#) guide. 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 by Student Group (School Year 2008-09)**

*Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is 10 or less because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or privacy protection. In no case shall any group score be reported that would deliberately or inadvertently make public the score or performance of any individual student.*

**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 on the CDE [Academic Performance Index \(API\) Web page](#).

APIs based on small numbers of students are less reliable and therefore not reported here. Similar schools ranks are not calculated for small schools.

**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 ELA and mathematics
- Percent proficient on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- API as an additional indicator

Detailed information about AYP, including participation rates and percent proficient results by student group, can be found on the CDE [Adequate Yearly Progress \(AYP\) Web page](#).

**Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2008-09)**

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

**"Yes"** Met 2009 AYP Criteria

**"No"** Did not Meet 2009 AYP Criteria

**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 (ELA 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 on the

CDE [Adequate Yearly Progress \(AYP\) Web page](#).

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status		In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		2008-2009
Year in Program Improvement		Year 2
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	2
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	33.3

**XII. Instructional Planning and Scheduling**

**Professional Development**

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

The district schedules staff development on non-contract days (no students) or after school hours.