

# Silver Valley Community Day School

## School Accountability Report Card

### Reported Using Data from the 2017-18 School Year

#### Published During 2018-19

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 <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/>.
- For additional information about the school, parents/guardians and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

#### **DataQuest**

DataQuest is an online data tool located on the CDE DataQuest Web page at <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/> that contains additional information about this school and comparisons of the school to the district and the county. Specifically, DataQuest is a dynamic system that provides reports for accountability (e.g., test data, enrollment, high school graduates, dropouts, course enrollments, staffing, and data regarding English learners).

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## **About This School**

#### **Contact Information (School Year 2018-19)**

<b>School Contact Information</b>	
<b>School Name</b>	Silver Valley Community Day School
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### **School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2018-19)**

The Alternative Education Center is comprised of four schools and or nine programs in the Silver Valley Unified School District. Each is designed to provide a unique individualized educational setting to assist students in reaching their academic and personal goals. The Alternative Education Center promotes respect for cultural diversity and inspires integrity and respect of self and others. Classroom practices foster intellectual and social development; engage students in problem solving, higher order thinking skills and learning activities that make the subject matter relevant to daily life. Furthermore, through the daily incorporation of our Expected School wide Learning Results (ESLR'S), we equip students with the skills and knowledge that empower them to be ethical , literate, responsible and contributing members of their community.

#### **School Vision &Mission Statement**

The vision of Silver Valley Community Day School is to create a safe and constructive learning environment which promotes academic growth and personal success for all students. Through these techniques we will develop interpersonal skills and ensure the creation of life-long learners.

The mission of the Silver Valley Community Day School is to provide all students with an unconventional setting, where the individual needs of each student are addressed through the access of a state standards based, aligned curriculum and federal mandates.

#### **School Profile**

Located in the rural high desert of Southern California, 126 miles from Los Angeles and 144 miles from Las Vegas, Silver Valley Unified School District educates nearly 2,200 students in grades kindergarten through twelve. Covering an area of 3,200 square miles, the district serves the communities of Calico, Daggett, Fort Irwin, Ludlow, Newberry Springs, and Yermo.

The district is comprised of seven school sites including three elementary schools, one middle school, one K-8 school, one comprehensive high school, and an alternative education center. The alternative education center is made up of four schools and includes, Calico High School, Silver Valley Academy, Silver Valley Community Day School, and Silver Valley Adult Education all at one location.

Silver Valley Community Day School (CDS) is WASC accredited (2013) and is designed to support students in grades 9-12 who have been expelled by the SVUSD governing board, probation-referred pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 300 and 602, or referred by the School Attendance Review Board (SARB) and or other district level referral processes. Students may be placed in CDS for the remainder of a semester and/or up to one school year. CDS curriculum is equivalent to the comprehensive high school and often includes credit recovery. Being behind in credits is a common variable for CDS students. Preparing these students for re-admittance back into a comprehensive high school program is the school's goal.

### **Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2017-18)**

<b>Grade Level</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>
<b>Grade 10</b>	1
<b>Grade 12</b>	2
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	3

**Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2017-18)**

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0.0
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0
Asian	0.0
Filipino	0.0
Hispanic or Latino	33.3
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0
White	33.3
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	66.7
English Learners	0.0
Students with Disabilities	0.0
Foster Youth	0.0

**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**

Teachers	School			District
	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19
With Full Credential	1	1	0	102
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	23
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	0

**Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions**

Indicator	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments *	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	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.

\* Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

## Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2018-19)

Year and month in which data were collected: August 2018

Pursuant to the settlement of Williams vs. the State of California, Silver Valley Unified School District thoroughly inspected each of its school sites at the start of the 2018-19 school year to determine whether or not each school had sufficient and good quality textbooks, instructional materials, and/or science laboratory equipment. The date of the most recent resolution of the sufficiency of textbooks is September 11, 2018.

All students, including English Learners, are given their own individual textbooks and/or instructional materials in core subjects, as well as, foreign language and health (as appropriate), for use in the classroom and to take home if necessary. Additionally, all textbooks and instructional materials used within the district must be aligned with the California State Content Standards and frameworks, with final approval by the Board of Education. The table displays information collected in August 2018 about the quality, currency, and availability of the standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials used at the school.

Subject	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	APEX (online curriculum)	Yes	0.0%
Mathematics	APEX (online curriculum)	Yes	0.0%
Science	APEX (online curriculum)	Yes	0.0%
History-Social Science	APEX (online curriculum)	Yes	0.0%
Foreign Language	APEX (online curriculum)	Yes	0.0%

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

Situated on 8 acres, the Alternative Education Center site serves Calico Continuation High School, Silver Valley Academy, Silver Valley Adult School, and the Silver Valley Community Day School. This site was originally constructed in 1953. The campus is comprised of 14 permanent classrooms, and 2 portable classrooms. The multipurpose room and 4 classrooms are currently unoccupied.

### Cleaning Process

The school provides a safe and clean environment for students, staff, and volunteers. The district governing board has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the district. Basic cleaning operations are performed on a daily basis throughout the school year with emphasis on classrooms and restrooms. A joint effort between students and staff helps keep the campus clean and litter-free. The principal works daily with the custodial staff to develop sanitation schedules that ensure a clean, safe, and functional learning environment.

### Maintenance & Repair

A scheduled maintenance program is administered by the District's maintenance staff on a regular basis, with heavy maintenance functions occurring during vacation periods. Additionally, a scheduled maintenance program is administered by Silver Valley Unified School District, including regular facilities inspections, to ensure that school grounds and facilities remain in excellent repair. A work order process is used when issues arise that require immediate attention.

Repair requests are completed efficiently and in the order in which they are received. The chart displays the results of the most recent school facilities inspection, provided by the district.

**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

<b>School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)</b> Year and month of the most recent FIT report: DEC 2018		
System Inspected	Repair Status	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
<b>Systems:</b> Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
<b>Interior:</b> Interior Surfaces	Good	
<b>Cleanliness:</b> Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation	Good	
<b>Electrical:</b> Electrical	Good	
<b>Restrooms/Fountains:</b> Restrooms, Sinks/Fountains	Good	
<b>Safety:</b> Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	
<b>Structural:</b> Structural Damage, Roofs	Good	
<b>External:</b> Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	

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

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: DEC 2018	
Overall Rating	Good

## 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

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)					
	School		District		State	
	2016-17	2017-18	2016-17	2017-18	2016-17	2017-18
<b>English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)</b>	--	--	48.0	53.0	48.0	50.0
<b>Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)</b>	--	--	39.0	39.0	37.0	38.0

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.

Note: ELA and 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.

### CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2017-18)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
<b>All Students</b>	--	--	--	--
<b>Male</b>	--	--	--	--
<b>Female</b>	--	--	--	--
<b>Black or African American</b>	--	--	--	--
<b>White</b>	--	--	--	--
<b>Two or More Races</b>	--	--	--	--
<b>Socioeconomically Disadvantaged</b>	--	--	--	--

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 2017-18)**

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	--	--	--	--
Male	--	--	--	--
Female	--	--	--	--
Black or African American	--	--	--	--
White	--	--	--	--
Two or More Races	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	--	--	--	--

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.

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 Science for All Students  
Grades Five, Eight, and Ten**

Subject	Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard					
	School		District		State	
	2016-17	2017-18	2016-17	2017-18	2016-17	2017-18
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: The 2016–17 and 2017–18 data are not available. The CDE is developing a new science assessment based on the Next Generation Science Standards for California Public Schools (CA NGSS). The CAST was pilot-tested in spring 2017 and field-tested in spring 2018. The CAST will be administered operationally during the 2018–19 school year. The CAA for Science was pilot-tested for two years (i.e., 2016–17 and 2017–18) and the CAA for Science will be field-tested in 2018–19.

Note: Science test results include the CAST and the CAA for Science. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the CAST plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3–Alternate) on the CAA for Science divided by the total number of students who participated on both assessments.

**Career Technical Education Programs (School Year 2017-18)**

Silver Valley Community Day School strives to graduate citizens who are fully capable of functioning and prospering in our society. The school's workforce preparation program prepares students to succeed through the development of conceptual thinking, effective communication, and the ability to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to real-world contexts.

Curriculum and instructional strategies that foster critical thinking, problem solving, leadership, and academic skills are consistently taught to ensure work-readiness skills.

Students enroll in a "Career Exploration" class which enables them to research different career options and to develop skills necessary for applying to jobs, such as writing resumes and interviewing skills.

Silver Valley Community Day School engages community support and participation to provide guest speakers from organizations such as the Speakers Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, Fort Irwin, the County Sheriffs Association, San Bernardino County offices, Wal-Mart, the military, the Barstow Police Department, and Barstow Community College representatives. These speakers increase student awareness of the many opportunities and options for future education, training, and employment beyond high school.

The following Career Technical Education (CTE) programs are offered off campus at Silver Valley High School:

- Diversified Occupations
- Micro Computers
- Networking
- ROPAuto
- ROP Desktop Publishing
- ROP Digital Design

All of the above-listed courses incorporate state-adopted CTE model curriculum standards, meet district graduation requirements, and/or satisfy A-G entrance requirements of the CSU/UC systems. All courses are evaluated based on mastery of "employment readiness standards", both basic and industry-specific, results of career-technical skills assessments, and/or placement of program completers in employment, post-secondary education, or the military.

**Career Technical Education Participation (School Year 2017-18)**

Measure	CTE Program Participation
Number of pupils participating in CTE	5
% 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
2017–18 Pupils Enrolled in Courses Required for UC/CSU Admission	0.0
2016–17 Graduates Who Completed All Courses Required for UC/CSU Admission	0.0

**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.

**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 school site.

**Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2018-19)**

Parents are encouraged to undertake an active role in their child's education. Parents are welcome to volunteer on-site and participate on the School Site Council. The Parent Booster's Club helps fund numerous activities for the school.

Numerous programs and activities at Silver Valley Community Day School are enriched by generous contributions from local businesses and service organizations.

**Contact Information**

Parents who wish to volunteer or participate in the school 's committees or activities, may contact the office at (760) 254-2715. The district's website (<http://www.svusdk12.net>) also provides helpful information and a variety of resources for parents, students, and the community.



## 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)

Indicator	School			District			State		
	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Dropout Rate	--	--	--	2.5	3.4	3.5	10.7	9.7	9.1
Graduation Rate	--	--	--	97.5	96.6	93.9	82.3	83.8	82.7

For the formula to calculate the 2016–17 adjusted cohort graduation rate, see the 2017–18 Data Element Definitions document located on the SARC web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.

### Completion of High School Graduation Requirements - Graduating Class of 2017 (One-Year Rate)

Group	Graduating Class of 2017		
	School	District	State
All Students	100.0	100.0	88.7
Black or African American	0.0	100.0	82.2
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0	0.0	82.8
Asian	0.0	100.0	94.9
Filipino	0.0	66.7	93.5
Hispanic or Latino	100.0	100.0	86.5
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.0	100.0	88.6
White	100.0	100.0	92.1
Two or More Races	0.0	100.0	91.2
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	100.0	97.9	88.6
English Learners	0.0	100.0	56.7
Students with Disabilities	0.0	100.0	67.1
Foster Youth	0.0	100.0	74.1

## 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

Rate	School			District			State		
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Suspensions	0.0	15.4	1	2.2	3.2	3.0	3.7	3.7	3.5
Expulsions	0.0	7.7	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

### School Safety Plan (School Year 2018-19)

The safety of students and staff is a primary concern of Silver Valley Community Day School. All guests to the campus must sign in at the office. Supervision is provided to ensure the safety of each student before school, during breaks, at lunch, and after school. Supervision is a responsibility shared among noon-duty aides, teachers, and school administrators.

To safeguard the well-being of students and staff, comprehensive School Site Safety Plans have been developed for each site by the district. The Safety Plans were most recently updated in January 2018, with all revisions reviewed with the staff. Key elements of the Safety Plan focus on the following: school rules and procedures, disaster procedures, current status of school crime, notification to teachers, child abuse reporting procedures, school-wide dress code, routine and emergency drills, sexual harassment policy, policies related to suspension and expulsion, maintaining a safe and orderly school environment, safe ingress and egress of pupils, parents, and school employees.

The school is always in compliance with the laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazardous materials and state earthquake standards. Safety drills, including fire, earthquake and intruder drills, are held monthly.

**Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2017-18)**

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	1	15
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)		N/A
Psychologist	.2	N/A
Social Worker	0	N/A
Nurse	.05	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	.1	N/A
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	0	N/A
Other	0	N/A

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

\*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.

**Expenditures per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2016-17)**

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supplemental/Restricted	Basic/Unrestricted	
School Site	\$12,539	0	\$12,539	\$62,693
District	N/A	N/A	\$3,230	\$68,240
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	118.1	-8.5
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,125	\$71,392
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A	55.1	-13.0

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

The California Department of Education issued guidance to LEAs on August 1, 2018, regarding how to calculate school-level per-pupil expenditures that will be reported on 2018-19 report cards.

**Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2017-18)**

In addition to general state funding, Silver Valley Unified School District received state and federal categorical funding for the following support programs:

- Title I, Part A, Educationally Disadvantaged Children
- Title II, Part A, Teacher/Principal Training and Recruiting

**Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2016-17)**

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$45,230	\$45,681
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$68,912	\$70,601
Highest Teacher Salary	\$93,514	\$89,337
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$106,486	\$110,053
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$108,075	\$115,224
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$115,272	\$124,876
Superintendent Salary	\$173,400	\$182,466
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	30.0	33.0
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	6.0	6.0

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 2017-18)**

Subject	Number of AP Courses Offered*	Percent of Students In AP Courses
Computer Science	0	N/A
English	0	N/A
Fine and Performing Arts	0	N/A
Foreign Language	0	N/A
Mathematics	0	N/A
Science	0	N/A
Social Science	0	N/A
All courses	0	.0

Cells with N/A values do not require data.

\*Where there are student course enrollments of at least one student.

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

A constructive evaluation process promotes quality instruction and is a fundamental element in a sound educational program. Evaluations and formal observations are designed to encourage common goals and to comply with the state's evaluation criteria and district policies. Temporary and probationary teachers are evaluated twice a year and tenured teachers are evaluated every other year.

Evaluations are conducted by the principal, who has been trained and certified for competency to perform teacher evaluations. Evaluations are based on the "California Standards for the Teaching Profession", which include the following: engaging and supporting all students in learning, understanding and organizing subject matter for student learning, assessing student learning, creating and maintaining effective environments for student learning, planning instruction and designing learning experiences for all students, and developing as a professional educator.

Staff members build teaching skills and concepts through participation in conferences and workshops throughout the year. The district sponsored various opportunities for professional development. Teachers were offered a broad-based variety of professional growth opportunities in curriculum, teaching strategies, and methodologies. Professional development topics included: APEX Training, Illuminate Training, Pearson ELA Training, Holt Differential Instruction ELA, CMAT (Math) Training, Singapore Math Conference, Scholastic Read 180 & System 44 training, Waterford Early Reading Program training, and Success Maker training.

For additional support in their profession, teachers may enlist the services of the district's Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment (BTSA) support provider and/or the Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) Program.