

# White Hill Middle School

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## 2014-15 School Accountability Report Card Published During the 2015-16 School Year

### Ross Valley Elementary School District

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### School Description

White Hill Middle School is a California Distinguished School that serves the communities of San Anselmo and Fairfax. It is the Ross Valley School District's sole middle school for approximately (800) 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students from our communities' four elementary schools.

Our academic program offers a breadth of challenge and opportunity with core English, History, Science, and Math classes and award-winning art, music, technology (STEAM), PE, and foreign language electives. Forty-one credentialed teachers, twenty-five staff members, one counselor, two counseling interns and two administrators support an engaging and rigorous educational program. White Hill is enriched by broad parent and community support and is an active partner in the work of our district's YES Foundation.

Located on the western edge of Fairfax at the base of White's Hill, the school campus is surrounded by beautiful rolling hills and open space and sits on a 22-acre site that includes Lefty Gomez Field. White Hill was built in 1969 and has gone through three major renovations (1985, 2000 and 2013). December 2013 marked the opening of 25,000 square feet of new buildings and classrooms which provide our students and staff with a first class facility for 21st-century learning.

## About the SARC

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 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 at 415-454-8390 or the district office.

2014-15 Student Enrollment by Grade Level	
Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 6	259
Grade 7	253
Grade 8	249
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>761</b>

2014-15 Student Enrollment by Group	
Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0.8
Asian	4.1
Filipino	0.8
Hispanic or Latino	7.9
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.3
White	83.2
Two or More Races	1.4
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	9.9
English Learners	3.2
Students with Disabilities	9.2
Foster Youth	0.3

## A. Conditions of Learning

### State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Basic State Priority (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			
White Hill Middle School	13-14	14-15	15-16
With Full Credential	30	37	39
Without Full Credential	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0
Ross Valley Elementary School District	13-14	14-15	15-16
With Full Credential	♦	♦	126
Without Full Credential	♦	♦	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	♦	♦	0

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at this School			
White Hill Middle School	13-14	14-15	15-16
Teachers of English Learners	30	37	39
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

\* "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.

### Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers

2014-15 Percent of Classes in Core Academic Subjects Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers		
Location of Classes	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.0	0.0
Districtwide		
All Schools	100.0	0.0
High-Poverty Schools		
Low-Poverty Schools	100.0	0.0

\* High-poverty schools are defined as those schools with student eligibility of approximately 40 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low-poverty schools are those with student eligibility of approximately 39 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

### Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2015-16)

During the 2014-15 school year, the school and each classroom developed a classroom library of leveled readers including a variety of genres. Each student has the opportunity to have both literary and informational texts to read at their own level within the classroom, and the school is able to differentiate for students who need reading interventions and are reading above or below grade level. All students have sufficient textbooks and/or instructional materials in each subject area for in-school work and homework.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials Year and month in which data were collected: February 2013	
Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/Year of Adoption
Reading/Language Arts	Good Quality, Holt Lit. and LA, adopted in 2003  The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0
Mathematics	Holt The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0
Science	Good Quality, Focus on Earth Sci., Focus on Life Sci., Focus on Physical Science, The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0
History-Social Science	Good Quality, Focus on Earth Sci., Focus on Life Sci., Focus on Physical Science, The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0
Foreign Language	Good Quality, McDougal Littell, adopted in 2001  Discovering French - Bleu  The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0

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

The Ross Valley School District passed a \$41 million dollar bond in November 2010 to accommodate increased enrollment and replacement at White Hill School.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month in which data were collected: 12/2015				
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	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	Good	Fair	Poor
		X		

## 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], Science California Standards Tests); and
- The percentage of pupils 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

2014-15 CAASPP Results for All Students			
Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)		
	School	District	State
ELA	76	75	44
Math	66	69	33

\* 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 Results for All Students - Three-Year Comparison									
Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	12-13	13-14	14-15	12-13	13-14	14-15	12-13	13-14	14-15
Science	91	87	90	88	87	86	59	60	56

\* Results are for grades 5, 8, and 10. 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.

Grade Level	2014-15 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6
7	14.00	22.80	49.20

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2014-15 CAASPP Results by Student Group	
Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced
	Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)
All Students in the LEA	86
All Student at the School	90
Male	88
Female	89
Black or African American	--
Asian	--
Filipino	--
Hispanic or Latino	78
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	--
White	90
Two or More Races	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	--
English Learners	--
Students with Disabilities	87
Foster Youth	--

\* 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.

### School Year 2014-15 CAASPP Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA) Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
All Students	6	264	257	97.3	5	14	32	48
	7	256	250	97.7	12	16	41	32
	8	252	243	96.4	6	18	51	25
Male	6		120	45.5	9	18	33	41
	7		108	42.2	16	18	42	25
	8		125	49.6	9	20	51	20
Female	6		137	51.9	2	10	32	55
	7		142	55.5	8	15	40	37
	8		118	46.8	3	15	52	30
Black or African American	6		1	0.4	--	--	--	--
	7		4	1.6	--	--	--	--
	8		1	0.4	--	--	--	--

**School Year 2014-15 CAASPP Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA)  
Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven**

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
Asian	6		15	5.7	7	7	27	60
	7		10	3.9	--	--	--	--
	8		5	2.0	--	--	--	--
Filipino	6		5	1.9	--	--	--	--
	8		0	0.0	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	6		18	6.8	22	28	28	22
	7		23	9.0	22	26	35	17
	8		20	7.9	0	40	55	5
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	6		0	0.0	--	--	--	--
	8		1	0.4	--	--	--	--
White	6		210	79.5	4	13	33	49
	7		206	80.5	9	15	42	34
	8		208	82.5	6	15	52	26
Two or More Races	6		6	2.3	--	--	--	--
	7		3	1.2	--	--	--	--
	8		3	1.2	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	6		17	6.4	12	6	53	29
	7		29	11.3	21	24	38	17
	8		26	10.3	8	23	58	12
English Learners	6		9	3.4	--	--	--	--
	7		6	2.3	--	--	--	--
	8		7	2.8	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	6		21	8.0	24	33	33	10
	7		24	9.4	42	42	17	0
	8		16	6.3	50	31	19	0
Foster Youth	6		--	--	--	--	--	--
	7		--	--	--	--	--	--
	8		--	--	--	--	--	--

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. The number of students tested includes students that did not receive a score; 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 students with scores.

**School Year 2014-15 CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics**  
**Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven**

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
All Students	6	264	258	97.7	9	26	28	37
	7	256	253	98.8	9	18	32	40
	8	252	242	96.0	14	23	25	38
Male	6		121	45.8	11	27	24	37
	7		110	43.0	11	15	35	37
	8		124	49.2	17	17	23	43
Female	6		137	51.9	7	25	31	36
	7		143	55.9	8	21	29	41
	8		118	46.8	11	29	26	33
Black or African American	6		1	0.4	--	--	--	--
	7		5	2.0	--	--	--	--
	8		1	0.4	--	--	--	--
Asian	6		15	5.7	7	7	27	60
	7		10	3.9	--	--	--	--
	8		5	2.0	--	--	--	--
Filipino	6		5	1.9	--	--	--	--
	8		0	0.0	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	6		19	7.2	26	42	16	11
	7		24	9.4	25	25	29	17
	8		20	7.9	20	35	30	15
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	6		0	0.0	--	--	--	--
	8		1	0.4	--	--	--	--
White	6		209	79.2	8	25	30	37
	7		207	80.9	7	18	33	42
	8		207	82.1	13	22	25	40
Two or More Races	6		6	2.3	--	--	--	--
	7		3	1.2	--	--	--	--
	8		3	1.2	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	6		18	6.8	11	39	17	28
	7		31	12.1	23	26	23	26
	8		26	10.3	31	38	19	12
English Learners	6		10	3.8	--	--	--	--
	7		7	2.7	--	--	--	--
	8		7	2.8	--	--	--	--

**School Year 2014-15 CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics**  
**Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven**

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
Students with Disabilities	6		21	8.0	52	33	0	14
	7		24	9.4	50	17	25	8
	8		15	6.0	73	20	0	0
Foster Youth	6		--	--	--	--	--	--
	7		--	--	--	--	--	--
	8		--	--	--	--	--	--

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### C. Engagement

#### State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Parental Involvement State Priority (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

Parents and staff are partners in education. Parent involvement is an integral part of our school community. Parents serve as classroom volunteers, in leadership roles, on site and district committees, assist with special projects and offer their many talents and expertise to enrich the educational experience of our students. We invite and encourage parents to take an active role in their child's education and the school community.

#### State Priority: School Climate

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

- Pupil suspension rates, pupil expulsion rates; and other local measures on the sense of safety.

#### School Safety Plan

WHMS has developed refined and approved an annual safety plan that includes staff and student training as well as coordination with county emergency agencies such as Fairfax Police and Ross Valley Fire. Our plan includes procedures for earthquake, fire, and lock down situations.

Suspensions and Expulsions			
School	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Suspensions Rate	3.10	5.87	4.22
Expulsions Rate	0.00	0.28	0.00
District	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Suspensions Rate	1.56	2.08	2.09
Expulsions Rate	0.00	0.08	0.00
State	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Suspensions Rate	5.07	4.36	3.80
Expulsions Rate	0.13	0.10	0.09

## 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.

2014-15 Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria			
AYP Criteria	School	District	State
<b>English Language Arts</b>			
Met Participation Rate	Yes	Yes	Yes
Met Percent Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Mathematics</b>			
Met Participation Rate	Yes	Yes	Yes
Met Percent Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A
Made AYP Overall	Yes	Yes	Yes
Met Attendance Rate	Yes	Yes	Yes
Met Graduation Rate	N/A	N/A	Yes

2015-16 Federal Intervention Program		
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		1
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement		20

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)												
Average Class Size				Number of Classrooms*								
				1-22			23-32			33+		
Subject	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
English	27	27	27	1	1		13	15	18			
Math	22	24	25	10	11	10	7	5	7		2	3
Science	27	27	27	2	2	1	12	14	17			
SS	27	27	28	1	1		13	15	18			

\* 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 at this School	
Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)	
Academic Counselor	1 FTE
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	.6 FTE
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	1.0 FTE
Psychologist	.5 FTE
Social Worker	
Nurse	.2 FTE
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	.4 FTE
Resource Specialist	2 FTE
Other	1 FTE
Average Number of Students per Staff Member	
Academic Counselor	798

\* 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.

### Professional Development provided for Teachers

Transitioning to the Common Core Math standards was the focus of professional development in the 2011-12 school year. Teachers benefited from two staff development days with Phil Daro, author of the CC math standards, with follow up work on designing units of study with trainers from the California Math Project. For the 2015-16 school year, the District has a Math Coordinator who is providing professional development in the 8 mathematical practices for each grade level.

Professional Development in the 2012-13 school year focused on providing all teachers in the district with Guided Language Acquisition Design (G.L.A.D.) training. Two district wide staff development days and four teacher release days for all teachers, K-8 provided comprehensive training in these strategies, designed to provide differentiation for all students. Coaching in these strategies continues during the 2013-14 school year.

The focus of teacher professional development in the 2014-15 and 2015-16 school year is on the development of units aligned with the Common Core Standards in English Language Arts. Three district wide staff development days, along with teacher release days have provided the time for teachers to learn the process for developing CC aligned units using readers and writers workshop to implement the English Language Arts CCSS.

Each Department has developed a professional development plan .



FY 2013-14 Teacher and Administrative Salaries		
Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$48,925	\$42,723
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$70,423	\$65,936
Highest Teacher Salary	\$85,485	\$84,545
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$111,658	\$106,864
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$139,587	\$110,494
Average Principal Salary (HS)		\$103,499
Superintendent Salary	\$200,291	\$159,133
Percent of District Budget		
Teacher Salaries	42%	40%
Administrative Salaries	7%	6%

\* For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits webpage at [www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/).

### Types of Services Funded

The Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) approved by the Board of Education trustees has provided additional supports at Hidden Valley Elementary School by increasing the support staff as well as a District Wide Math Coordinator in curriculum and a Special Education Coordinator to support the Student Services Department. Both Title II funds and the Educator Effectiveness Grant supports professional growth and development. State and Federal funds ensure that all students identified with a disability receive a Free and Appropriate Public Education. In addition, the school receives Federal Title III funds to support English Language Learners.

### 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, the county, and the state. 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).

### 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 may 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.

FY 2013-14 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries				
Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	
School Site	6769	2342.	4427	66333.
District	♦	♦	4121	\$69,044
State	♦	♦	\$5,348	\$69,086
Percent Difference: School Site/District			7.4	-3.9
Percent Difference: School Site/ State			-17.2	-4.0

\* Cells with ♦ do not require data.