

# School Accountability Report Card Reported for School Year 2007-08 Published During 2008-09

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 SARC Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>. 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 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. 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 2008-09)

This section provides the school's contact information.

School		District	
<b>School Name</b>	New Beginnings Academy	<b>District Name</b>	Newark Unified School District
<b>Street</b>	35777 Cedar Blvd.	<b>Phone Number</b>	(510) 818-4112
<b>City, State, Zip</b>	Newark, CA 94560	<b>Web Site</b>	www.nusd.k12.ca.us
<b>Phone Number</b>	(510) 818-3703	<b>Superintendent</b>	Kevin E. Harrigan
<b>Principal</b>	Timothy R. Culbertson	<b>E-mail Address</b>	kharrigan@nusd.k12.ca.us
<b>E-mail Address</b>	tculbertson@nusd.k12.ca.us	<b>CDS Code</b>	01-61234-6120752

### School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2007-08)

This section provides information about the school, its programs and its goals.

The New Beginnings Academy junior high alternative school is located on the Mac Gregor Alternative Education Site. New Beginnings is a small Community Day School that serves students that are expelled, suspended, expelled or truant. Students also attend the community day school who are academically and behaviorally challenged. The school provides individualized California Standards-Based instruction in all the academic areas. State and federal accountability reports demonstrate continued academic progress and not under any state or federal sanction.

The purpose of New Beginnings Academy is to provide academic intervention and social improvement opportunities to help each student achieve his/her full potential. Other services include school counseling, special education resources and close collaboration with the alternative education site resources.

New Beginnings Academy has a mandatory 360 -minute instructional day and a student - teacher ratio of 15 : 1. The small class environment provides for a manageable discipline program, individualized and differentiated instruction.

The City of Newark is located in Alameda County, and is home to over 40,000 people. This 150 year-old community is situated on the southeastern edge of the San Francisco Bay directly off of Interstate I-880 and Highway 84. With its close proximity to San Jose and San Francisco. Newark residents have easy access to the benefits of "big city" life, while offering the comfort and safety of a small town atmosphere. Newark Unified School District is comprised of eight elementary schools, an alternative high school, a community day school, one junior high, and one comprehensive high school and adult school. All of the schools maintain a shared commitment to providing students with a "world class education" based on a strong liberal arts foundation and centered on the district's core values, producing academically skilled and community-minded students with a wide array of post-high school educational and career options.

### [Opportunities for Parental Involvement \(School Year 2007-08\)](#)

This section provides information about opportunities for parents to become involved with school activities.

Located at the MacGregor site are our two Community Day Schools: New Beginnings Academy serves junior high and Progressive Academy serving high school students. Parents and community members are encouraged to be involved in their children's educational experience and volunteer as tutors, classroom aides, monitors, and school activity organizers. Community members and parents have the opportunity to be directly involved with the academic improvement of the school through serving on one of the many leadership teams that guide the district.

Parents are consistently informed about their student's academic progress through weekly progress reports, bimonthly newsletters, special celebration event bulletins, phone calls, home visits, and parent conferences. The Community Day Schools collaborate with community service organizations such as Tri-City Health Organization, Youth and Family Services, US Army, and the California Coast Guard and Newark Police Department School Resource Officer. The MacGregor school site houses all the alternative education programs and school resources are shared.

### [Student Enrollment by Grade Level \(School Year 2007-08\)](#)

This table displays the number of students enrolled in each grade level at the school.

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 5	0
Grade 6	0
Grade 7	4
Grade 8	18
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	22

### [Student Enrollment by Group \(School Year 2007-08\)](#)

This table displays the percent of students enrolled at the school who are identified as being in a particular group.

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment	Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
African American	36.36%	White (not Hispanic)	9.09%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0%	Multiple or No Response	0%
Asian	0%	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	0%
Filipino	0%	English Learners	8%
Hispanic or Latino	50%	Students with Disabilities	4%
Pacific Islander	4.55%		

### [Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution \(Secondary\)](#)

This table displays, by subject area, the average class size and the number of classrooms that fall into each size category (a range of total students per classroom).

Subject	2005-06			2006-07			2007-08					
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms		
		1-22	23-32	33+		1-22	23-32	33+		1-22	23-32	33+
English								11	4			
Mathematics								11	2			
Science								11	2			
Social Science								11	2			

## III. School Climate

### [School Safety Plan \(School Year 2007-08\)](#)

This section provides information about the school's comprehensive safety plan.

Schools review and practice their safety procedures in the fall of each school year. Other practice drills take place regularly during the school year. Schools then update their comprehensive safety plan by February of each school year. Staff members then review their updated safety plans.

### [Suspensions and Expulsions](#)

This table displays the rate of suspensions and expulsions (the total number of incidents divided by the total enrollment) at the school and district levels for the most recent three-year period.

Rate	School			District		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
<b>Suspensions</b>	1400.0	673.7	418.2	17.8	19.9	18.7
<b>Expulsions</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.2

## IV. School Facilities

### [School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvement \(School Year 2008-09\)](#)

This section provides information about the condition of the school's grounds, buildings, and restrooms based on the most recent data available, and a description of any planned or recently completed facility improvements.

The school's facilities are safe and in good repair. District maintenance staff ensures that minor maintenance, repairs or upgrades necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used to ensure efficient service and that emergency repairs are given the highest priority. There are no necessary corrective actions to this school.

### [School Facility Good Repair Status \(School Year 2008-09\)](#)

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
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Gas Leaks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mechanical Systems	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Windows/Doors/Gates (interior and exterior)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Interior Surfaces (walls, floors, and ceilings)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Hazardous Materials (interior and exterior)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Structural Damage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fire Safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Electrical (interior and exterior)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Pest/Vermin Infestation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Drinking Fountains (inside and outside)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Restrooms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sewer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Playground/School Grounds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Roofs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Overall Cleanliness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

### [Overall Summary of School Facility Good Repair Status \(School Year 2008-09\)](#)

This table displays the overall summary of the results of the most recently completed school site inspection.

Item Inspected	Facility Condition			
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
Overall Summary	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## V. Teachers

### 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 curriculum is developed in accordance with the criteria established by the State Department of Education. By following district educational standards, content standards, and frameworks established by the state, Community Day School ensures that all students are prepared to successfully pass state assessments and progress forward in their education. Grade Level Benchmarks provide a guide for student progress at the end of each grading period.

Through a process of self-study, evaluation, and review, the school defines the shortcomings of the present curriculum in regards to the optimum criteria. Curriculum Committees are then established to systematically analyze the “matches and gaps” in the curriculum and make recommendations concerning how the school can more closely resemble the optimal conditions defined by the State Board of Education and Newark Unified School district’s own high standards.

In addition to instruction utilizing core curriculum, community day students are instructed in the area of self management, character-based literacy .

### 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 *DataQuest* Web page at <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/>.

Teachers	School			District
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2007-08
<b>With Full Credential</b>	1	2	2	352
<b>Without Full Credential</b>	0	0	0	20
<b>Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence</b>	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	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
<b>Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners</b>	0	0	0
<b>Total Teacher Misassignments</b>	0	0	0
<b>Vacant Teacher Positions</b>	0	.20	0

### Core Academic Classes Taught by No Child Left Behind Compliant Teachers (School Year 2006-07)

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. More information on teacher qualifications required under NCLB can be found at the NCLB Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq/>.

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by NCLB Compliant Teachers	Taught by Non-NCLB Compliant Teachers
<b>This School</b>	20%	80%
<b>All Schools in District</b>	95.8%	4.2%
<b>High-Poverty Schools in District</b>	0%	0%
<b>Low-Poverty Schools in District</b>	100%	0%

## VI Support Staff

### Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2007-08)

This table displays, in units of full-time equivalents (FTE), the number of academic counselors and other support staff who are assigned to the school and the average number of students per academic counselor. One FTE equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time.

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	0	0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)		N/A
Library Media Services Staff (paraprofessional)		N/A
Psychologist		N/A
Social Worker		N/A
Nurse		N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist		N/A
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)		N/A
Other		N/A

## VII. Curriculum and Instructional Materials

### Quality, Currency, and Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2008-09)

This table displays information about the quality, currency, and availability of the standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials used at the school, and information about the school's use of any supplemental curriculum or non-adopted textbooks or instructional materials.

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	Yes	0%
Mathematics	Yes	0%
Science	Yes	0%
History-Social Science	Yes	0%
Foreign Language	Yes	0%
Health	Yes	0%
Visual and Performing Arts		
Science Laboratory Equipment (grades 9-12)	Yes	0%

## VIII. School Finances

### Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2006-07)

This table displays a comparison of the school's per pupil expenditures from unrestricted (basic) sources with other schools in the district and throughout the state, and a comparison of the average teacher salary at the school site with average teacher salaries at the district and state levels. Detailed information regarding school expenditures can be found at the Current Expense of Education Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/> and teacher salaries can be found on the Certificated Salaries and Benefits Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Supplemental)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Basic)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$10,999	\$1,075	\$9,924	\$55,251
District	---	---	\$5,115	\$68,248
Percent Difference – School Site and District	---	---	94.01%%	-19.04%%
State	---	---	\$5,300	\$62,157
Percent Difference – School Site and State	---	---	87.25%%	-11.11%%

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2007-08)

This section provides information about the programs and supplemental services that are provided at the school through either categorical funds or other sources.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2006-07)

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. Detailed information regarding salaries may be found on the Certificated Salaries and Benefits Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$51,901	\$39,692
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$72,026	\$62,830
Highest Teacher Salary	\$90,032	\$80,472
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$111,458	\$98,460
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$115,928	\$104,522
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$124,298	\$114,549
Superintendent Salary	\$196,744	\$166,547
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	45.4%	40.2%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	7.5%	5.8%

**IX. Student Performance**

**California Standards Tests**

The California Standards Tests (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 2 through 11; science in grades 5, 8, and 9 through 11; and history-social science in grades 8, and 10 through 11. Student scores are reported as performance levels. Detailed information regarding CST results for each grade and performance level, including the percent of students not tested, can be found on the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Results Web page at <http://star.cde.ca.gov>. *Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is 10 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.*

CST Results for All Students – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the percent of students achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level (meeting or exceeding the state standards).

Subject	School			District			State		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
English-Language Arts	0	4	4	41	41	44	42	43	46
Mathematics	3	0	5	44	42	42	40	40	43
Science	7	0	17	38	42	50	35	38	46
History-Social Science	7	7	0	26	30	34	33	33	36

### CST Results by Student Group – Most Recent Year

This table displays the percent of students, by group, achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level (meeting or exceeding the state standards) for the most recent testing period.

Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced			
	English- Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	History-Social Science
African American	*	*	*	*
American Indian or Alaska Native				
Asian				
Filipino				
Hispanic or Latino	9	9	*	*
Pacific Islander	*	*		
White (not Hispanic)	*	*	*	*
Male	0	7	*	*
Female	*	*	*	*
Economically Disadvantaged	*	*	*	
English Learners	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				

## 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 at the API Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/>.

### API Ranks – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the school's statewide and similar schools API ranks. The statewide API rank ranges from 1 to 10. A statewide rank of 1 means that the school has an API score in the lowest 10 percent of all schools in the state, while a statewide rank of 10 means that the school has an API score in the highest 10 percent of all schools in the state. The similar schools API rank reflects how a school compares to 100 statistically matched "similar schools." A similar schools rank of 1 means that the school's academic performance is comparable to the lowest performing 10 schools of the 100 similar schools, while a similar schools rank of 10 means that the school's academic performance is better than at least 90 of the 100 similar schools.

API Rank	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
Statewide		B	B
Similar Schools		B	B

### API Changes by Student Group – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays, by student group, the actual API changes in points added or lost for the past three years, and the most recent API score. *Note: "N/A" means that the student group is not numerically significant.*

Group	Actual API Change			Growth API Score
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008
All Students at the School	B	-112	N/A	N/A
African American			N/A	N/A
American Indian or Alaska Native			N/A	N/A
Asian			N/A	N/A
Filipino			N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino			N/A	N/A
Pacific Islander			N/A	N/A
White (not Hispanic)			N/A	N/A
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged			N/A	N/A
English Learners			N/A	N/A
Students with Disabilities			N/A	N/A

### **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 English-language arts (ELA) and mathematics
- Percent proficient on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics
- API as an additional indicator
- Graduation rate (for secondary schools)

Detailed information about AYP, including participation rates and percent proficient results by student group, can be found at the AYP Web page <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

### AYP Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2007-08)

This table displays an indication of whether the school and the district made AYP overall and whether the school and the district met each of the AYP criteria.

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	No
Percent Proficient - Mathematics	Yes	No
API	Yes	Yes
Graduation Rate	N/A	Yes

### Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2008-09)

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 (English-language arts 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 at the AYP Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status		Not In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		
Year in Program Improvement		
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	1
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	7.1