

Sierra High School

School Accountability Report Card

Reported Using Data from the 2013-14 School Year

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Every school in California is required by state law to publish a School Accountability Report Card (SARC), by February 1 of each year. 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/>.
- View this SARC online at the school and/or LEA Web sites.
- 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 and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

About This School

Contact Information (Most Recent Year)

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School Description and Mission Statement (Most Recent Year)

Principal's Message

The purpose of the School Accountability Report card is to provide parents with information about Sierra High School's instructional programs, academic achievement, instructional materials, facilities, and the staff.

The staff at Sierra High School believes that each child is unique and deserving of a rich educational environment. Each student has access to a core curriculum in language arts, mathematics, science, and social science.

All members of the staff are both skilled and dedicated to the success of their students. We are fortunate to have experienced and knowledgeable teachers who are eager to make a difference for our students. We believe in a student-centered approach, which provides an atmosphere in which a child's social, emotional, and intellectual needs are equally important. All students have special talents and are given the opportunities to develop those talents through academics and community service.

Parents and the community play a very important role in the school. Understanding the school's educational program, student achievement, and curriculum development can assist both the school and the community in ongoing program improvement. Sierra High School is dedicated to shaping the future, one child at a time.

Mission Statement

We believe that all of our students have potential for success and growth, both personally and academically. Therefore, our concentration is on the following: students working toward achieving realistic attitudes about their career possibilities; students making progress in developing necessary life skills; and, most importantly, students working toward their academic potential and a more positive self-image. When students complete the Sierra High School program, they will possess a firm foundation to function productively in our society.

School Profile

Mammoth Unified School District, located in Mono County, educates approximately 1,200 students in grades kindergarten through twelve on a traditional calendar system. There are currently one comprehensive high school, one continuation high school, one middle school, and one elementary school in the district.

Sierra High School is a continuation high school serving students sixteen to eighteen years of age who need an alternative high school program. The school opened its doors in 1991 to grades ten through twelve. Teachers, staff, and administrators continue to act on the principle that students come first. The educational programs at the school are tailored to meet the needs of a changing school population. In the 2012-2013 school year, Sierra High School served 17 students. The chart displays school enrollment broken down by ethnicity.

Sierra High School is committed to providing a strong instructional program for all students to ensure excellence in education. This excellence can be seen in the staff who play such a vital role in providing a quality educational program.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2013-14)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 10	1
Grade 11	4
Grade 12	11
Total Enrollment	16

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2013-14)

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	56.3
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0
White	37.5
Two or More Races	6.3
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	75.0
English Learners	18.8
Students with Disabilities	6.3

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

Teachers	School			District
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2014-15
With Full Credential	1	1	1	71
Without Full Credential	0			
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0			

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
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.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2013-14)

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.00	0.00
All Schools in District	100.00	0.00
High-Poverty Schools in District	100.00	0.00
Low-Poverty Schools in District	0.00	0.00

Note: 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 2014-15)

Year and month in which data were collected: 09/24/14

Mammoth Unified School District sets a high priority upon ensuring that sufficient and current textbooks and materials are available to support the school’s instructional program. Mammoth Unified School District held a public hearing on September 24, 2013 and determined that each school within the district has sufficient and good quality textbooks, instructional materials, or science lab equipment, pursuant to the settlement of Williams vs. the State of California.

All students, including English Learners, are given their own individual standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in core subjects, Visual and Performing Arts, Health, and Foreign Language for use in the classroom and to take home. All textbooks and instructional materials used within the district are aligned with the California State Content Standards and Frameworks. Mammoth Unified School District follows the state board of education’s six-year adoption cycle for core content materials and the eight-year cycle for textbook adoptions in foreign language, visual and performing arts, and health. District textbook review and adoption activities occur the year following the state’s adoption.

The textbook adoption process begins with the district Curriculum Committee consisting of administrators and teachers. The Committee identifies key elements to consider in the adoption decision-making process, establishes selection criteria based on state standards, reviews instructional materials on the state list, and makes recommendations to the governing board for final adoption. The committee examines each program and selects programs to be piloted. Recommended programs are available at the school sites for teacher and parent preview. The feedback provided by teachers and parents becomes the basis for the recommendations to the board for final adoption.

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Harcourt Brace Adopted 1993 Holt, Rinehart & Winston Adopted 2003	Yes	0.0%
Mathematics	Consumer Math - Third Edition Globe Fearson 2010 Prentice Hall Adopted 2009 AGS Adopted 2009 Globe Fearson Adopted 2007	Yes	0.0%

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Science	Globe Fearson Adopted 2010	Yes	0.0%
	Globe Fearson Adopted 2007		
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History-Social Science	Glencoe/McGraw Hill Adopted 2009	Yes	0.0%
	AGS Adopted 2010		
	AGS Adopted 2007		
	AGS Adopted 2007		
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Health	Pearson Health 2010	Yes	0.0%

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

Built in 2002, Sierra High School is situated on nearly two acres. The school buildings span 6,725 square feet, consisting of classrooms, a multipurpose room, administrative offices, and restrooms. The facility strongly supports teaching and learning through its ample classroom and athletic facilities. The chart displays the results of the most recent facilities inspection.

Cleaning Process and Schedule

The district governing board has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the district. All schools are cleaned daily. A summary of these standards is available at the school office or at the district office. The site administration team works daily with the custodial staff to develop cleaning schedules to ensure a clean and safe school.

Maintenance and Repair

Safety concerns are the number one priority of Maintenance and Operations. District maintenance supervisors are proactive and conduct inspections at school sites on a continual basis. Repairs 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.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

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Year and month in which data were collected: 12/23/14				
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	[X]	[]	[]	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	[X]	[]	[]	
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	[X]	[]	[]	

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)				
Year and month in which data were collected: 12/23/14				
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
Electrical: Electrical	[X]	[]	[]	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	[X]	[]	[]	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	[X]	[]	[]	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	[X]	[]	[]	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	[X]	[]	[]	

Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)

Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
		[]	[X]	[]

B. Pupil Outcomes

State Priority: Pupil Achievement

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

- Statewide assessments (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress and its successor the Standardized Testing and Reporting Program);
- The Academic Performance Index; 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.

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress / Standardized Testing and Reporting Results for All Students in Science (Three-Year Comparison)

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)				70	62	65	60	59	60

Note: Science assessments include California Standards Tests (CSTs), California Modified Assessment (CMA), and California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA). 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.

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Results by Student Group in Science (School Year 2013-14)

Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced
All Students in the LEA	65
All Student at the School	
Male	
Female	
Black or African American	
American Indian or Alaska Native	
Asian	
Filipino	
Hispanic or Latino	
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	
White	
Two or More Races	
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	
English Learners	
Students with Disabilities	
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	

Note: CAASPP includes science assessments (CSTs, CMA, and CAPA) in 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.

Standardized Testing and Reporting 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		
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
English-Language Arts		47		52	55	52	54	56	55
Mathematics				52	53	49	49	50	50
History-Social Science		35		36	49	46	48	49	49

Note: STAR Program was last administered in 2012-13. 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.

Academic Performance Index Ranks (Three-Year Comparison)

API Rank	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Statewide			
Similar Schools			

Note: For 2014 and subsequent years, the statewide and similar schools ranks will no longer be produced.

Academic Performance Index Growth by Student Group (Three-Year Comparison)

Group	Actual API Change		
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Students at the School			
Black or African American			
American Indian or Alaska Native			
Asian			
Filipino			
Hispanic or Latino			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander			
White			
Two or More Races			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged			
English Learners			
Students with Disabilities			

Note: "N/D" means that no data were available to the CDE or LEA to report. "B" means the school did not have a valid API Base and there is no Growth or target information. "C" means the school had significant demographic changes and there is no Growth or target information.

Career Technical Education Programs (School Year 2013-14)

It is the goal of Sierra High School that students understand the importance of academic subjects and experience how employees apply subject learning to work situations. The school's programs focus on preparing students to think conceptually, communicate effectively, and apply skills in real-world contexts. Curriculum and instructional strategies that foster critical thinking, problem solving, leadership, and academic skills are consistently taught to the students to ensure work-readiness skills.

Students in grades ten through twelve receive counseling from school personnel regarding career paths and courses of study. Teachers expose students to a broad array of career opportunities and facilitate selection of a career path based on individual interests, goals, strengths, and abilities. In addition, students may participate in a work experience program, a collaboration between the school and ten local businesses. For additional work force preparation, students are also required to complete five units of volunteer service before graduation.

Speakers from the community, job shadowing and work experience, use of technology, career-related research projects, and community service projects are made available for the students to heighten awareness of options for education, training, and employment beyond high school. Students may also attend workshops for college admission and financial aid at Mammoth High School.

No students from Sierra High School participated in Career Technical Education in the 2012-13 school year. The school is currently building a relationship with Cerra Coso Community College for career technical programs.

Career Technical Education Participation (School Year 2013-14)

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

Courses for University of California and/or California State University Admission

UC/CSU Course Measure	Percent
2013-14 Students Enrolled in Courses Required for UC/CSU Admission	0.00
2012-13 Graduates Who Completed All Courses Required for UC/CSU Admission	0.00

State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

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

- Pupil outcomes in the subject areas of English, mathematics, and physical education.

California High School Exit Examination Results for All Grade Ten Students (Three-Year Comparison)

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced								
	School			District			State		
	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
English-Language Arts				66	67	49	56	57	56
Mathematics				69	63	59	58	60	62

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.

California High School Exit Examination Grade Ten Results by Student Group (School Year 2013-14)

Group	English-Language Arts			Mathematics		
	Not Proficient	Proficient	Advanced	Not Proficient	Proficient	Advanced
All Students in the LEA	51	22	28	41	31	28
All Students at the School	0			0	0	
Male						
Female						
Black or African American						
American Indian or Alaska Native						
Asian						
Filipino						
Hispanic or Latino						
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander						
White						
Two or More Races						
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged						
English Learners						
Students with Disabilities						
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services						

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.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2013-14)

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
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Note: Percentages are not calculated when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

C. Engagement

State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the 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 (Most Recent Year)

Parents and the community are very supportive of the educational program at Sierra High School. Numerous programs and activities are enriched by the contributions from the community. Parents play an important role in supporting their student for school success.

State Priority: Pupil Engagement

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

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

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

Indicator	School			District			State		
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Dropout Rate	9.9	12.0	9.8	9.9	12.0	9.8	14.7	13.1	11.4
Graduation Rate	71.43	77.17	81.97	71.43	77.17	81.97	77.14	78.87	80.44

Completion of High School Graduation Requirements (Graduating Class of 2013)

Group	Graduating Class of 2013		
	School	District	State
All Students	53.33	79.69	84.56
Black or African American	0.00	0.00	75.90
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.00	0.00	77.82
Asian	0.00	0.00	92.94
Filipino	0.00	0.00	92.20
Hispanic or Latino	50.00	78.57	80.83
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.00	0.00	84.06
White	0.00	0.00	90.15
Two or More Races	100.00	100.00	89.03
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	44.44	75.00	82.58
English Learners	0.00	25.00	53.68
Students with Disabilities	0.00	0.00	60.31

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.

Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate	School			District			State		
	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Suspensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	3.3	2.0	5.7	5.1	4.4
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1

Note: The rate of suspensions and expulsions is calculated by dividing the total number of incidents by the total enrollment x 100.

School Safety Plan (Most Recent Year)

Safety of students and staff is a primary concern of Sierra High School. The school is always in compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazardous materials and state earthquake standards. All visitors must sign in at the front office and sign out upon leaving. There is an open campus for lunch which allows the students to leave campus and return after the lunch break to continue to work on their individualized learning plans.

In 1998, the Comprehensive Safety Plan was developed by the district in consultation with local law enforcement in order to comply with Senate Bill 187 of 1997. The plan provides students and staff a means to ensure a safe and orderly learning environment.

Components of the Comprehensive Safety Plan include child abuse reporting procedures, teacher notification of dangerous pupil procedures, disaster response procedures, procedures for safe ingress and egress from school, sexual harassment policies, and dress code guidelines.

Sierra High School reviews the plan each year and updates it as needed. The plan was last updated and reviewed with school staff in January 2013. An updated copy of the plan will be available to the public at the school and district offices.

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.

Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2013-14)

AYP Criteria	School	District
Made AYP Overall	No	
Met Participation Rate: English-Language Arts	Yes	
Met Participation Rate: Mathematics	Yes	
Met Percent Proficient: English-Language Arts	No	
Met Percent Proficient: Mathematics	Yes	
Met Graduation Rate (if applicable)	N/A	

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2014-15)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status		In PI
First Year of Program Improvement		2007-2008
Year in Program Improvement*		Year 3
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	---	1
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	---	100.0

Note: Cells with "----" do not require data.

* DW (determination waiver) indicates that the PI status of the school was carried over from the prior year in accordance with the flexibility granted through the federal waiver process.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

Subject	2011-12			2012-13			2013-14					
	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												
Mathematics												
Science												
Social Science												

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

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2013-14)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	1	350
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)		---
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)		---
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)		---
Psychologist		---
Social Worker		---
Nurse		---
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist		---
Resource Specialist	.05	---
Other		---

Note: Cells with "----" 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 2012-13)

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supplemental/ Restricted	Basic/ Unrestricted	
School Site	\$16,449	\$0	\$16,449	\$82,872
District	---	---	\$8,584	
Percent Difference: School Site and District	---	---	91.6	27.73%
State	---	---	\$4,690	\$57,912
Percent Difference: School Site and State	---	---	197.1	41.4

Note: Cells with "----" do not require data.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2013-14)

The district receives federal and state aid for the following categorical, special education, and support programs:
State aide is received in an amount equal to the categorical funding of 2008-2009 less the Fair Share

- Special Education
- Title I Program

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2012-13)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary		\$38,152
Mid-Range Teacher Salary		\$55,573
Highest Teacher Salary		\$71,908
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)		\$87,660
Average Principal Salary (Middle)		\$92,424
Average Principal Salary (High)		\$93,606
Superintendent Salary		\$116,538
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	39	34
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5	7

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

Advanced Placement Courses (School Year 2013-14)

Subject	Number of AP Courses Offered*	Percent of Students In AP Courses
Computer Science		---
English		---
Fine and Performing Arts		---
Foreign Language		---
Mathematics		---
Science		---
Social Science		---
All courses		

Note: Cells with "----" do not require data.

* Where there are student course enrollments.

Professional Development

All training and curriculum development at Sierra High School evolves around the California State Content Standards and Frameworks. Teachers align classroom curriculum to ensure that all students either meet or exceed state proficiency levels.

The district has started to work towards the adoption of the Common Core Standards as we prepare our students for assessment beginning with the 2013-14 school year.

Staff members build teaching skills and concepts through participation in professional conferences, district sponsored inservices, and workshops throughout the year. The district provides one buy-back professional development day annually where teachers are offered a variety of professional growth opportunities in curriculum, teaching strategies, and methodologies along with fourteen Early Release Tuesdays.

All teachers have received professional development through West Ed focused on student academic discourse and reading. All secondary English teachers have received Step Up to Writing professional development