

Washington Elementary School

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VISION

We believe that all students will learn and achieve to their highest potential, through an equitable education, that focuses on rigorous standards and a research-based instructional program. Our highly trained and dedicated staff is committed to engaging all students in a meaningful and personalized instructional program, that integrates literacy across all curricular areas, while facilitating high-level critical thinking skills. Our school functions as a center for learning, where we promote and communicate opportunities for all to work together in a positive climate. Our students will develop into lifelong, responsible learners who are well prepared to face the challenges of a technological and diverse society. We will work collaboratively and comprehensively with staff, parents, and the community to prepare students for college, career, and citizenship.

MISSION

Our mission is to raise student academic achievement, while addressing the educational, emotional, and language needs of all students through standards-based instruction, and assessment-driven planning. In collaboration with our parents and school community, we prepare all students to become life-long learners, who will lead fulfilling and productive lives in a technological and diverse society.

District Profile

Santa Ana Unified School District is the seventh largest district in the state, currently serving over 57,000 students in grades K-12 and residing in the city of Santa Ana. The district operates 36 elementary schools, 9 intermediate schools, 7 high schools, 1 alternative high school, 2 continuation schools and 5 charter schools. The student population is comprised of 88.1% enrolled in the Free or Reduced Price Meal program, 47.8% qualifying for English language learner support, and approximately 11.0% receiving special education services. Our district's schools have received California Distinguished Schools, National Blue Ribbon Schools, California Model School, Title I Academic Achieving Schools and Governor's Higher Expectations awards in honor of their outstanding programs. In addition, 19 schools have received the Golden Bell Award since 1990.

Each of Santa Ana Unified School District's staff members, parents, and community partners have developed and maintained high expectations to ensure every student's intellectual, creative, physical, emotional, and social development needs are met. The district's commitment to excellence is achieved through a team of professionals dedicated to delivering a challenging, high quality educational program. Consistent success in meeting student performance goals is directly attributed to the district's energetic teaching staff and strong parent and community support.

District Mission

We assure well-rounded learning experiences, which prepare our students for success in college and career. We engage, inspire, and challenge all of our students to become productive citizens, ethical leaders, and positive contributors to our community, country and a global society.

District Vision

We will work collaboratively and comprehensively with staff, parents, and the community to strengthen a learning environment focused on raising the achievement of all students and preparing them for success in college and career.

About the SARC

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 at (714) 445-5100.

2013-14 Student Enrollment by Grade Level					
Grade Level	Number of Students				
Kinder.	158				
Gr. 1	173				
Gr. 2	164				
Gr. 3	160				
Gr. 4	139				
Gr. 5	164				
Total	958				

2013-14 Student Enrollment by Group						
Group	Percent of Total Enrollment					
Black or African American	0.1					
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.1					
Asian	0.6					
Filipino	0.1					
Hispanic or Latino	97.8					
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.3					
White	0.3					
Two or More Races	0.6					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	96.7					
English Learners	66.6					
Students with Disabilities	9.4					

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								
Washington Elementary School	12-13	13-14	14-15					
Fully Credentialed	36	36	90					
Without Full Credential	0	0	0					
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0					
Santa Ana Unified School District	12-13	13-14	14-15					
Fully Credentialed	•	+	2,528					
Without Full Credential	+	+	14					
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	•	+						

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at this School							
Washington Elementary School 12-13 13-14 14-15							
Teachers of English Learners	0	0					
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0					
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0					

[&]quot;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

2013-14 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	100.00	0.00
	Districtwide	
All Schools	99.40	0.60
High-Poverty Schools	99.36	0.64
Low-Poverty Schools	100.00	0.00

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)

All textbooks used in the core curriculum throughout Santa Ana Unified School District are aligned to the California Content Standards and Frameworks. Instructional materials for grades K-8 are selected from the state's list of standards-based materials and adopted by the State Board of Education. Instructional materials for grades 9-12 are standards based and approved by the district's Board of Trustees. On October 14, 2014, the Santa Ana Unified School District's Board of Trustees held a public hearing to certify the extent to which textbooks and instructional materials have been provided to students. The Board of Trustees adopted Resolution No 14/15-3027 which certifies as required by Education Code §60119 that for the 2014-2015 school year, the Santa Ana Unified School District has provided sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the State Board, to each pupil enrolled in a foreign language or health course, and that sufficient laboratory science equipment applicable to science laboratory courses offered in grades 9-12, inclusive, is available to pupils.

Year Adopted	Elementary School Textbook Publisher	Grades				
Mathematics						
2008	Saxon Publishers Saxon Math	K-5				
2008	Houghton-Mifflin	K-5				
	Language Arts					
2002	SRA/McGraw Hill Open Court Reading	K-5				
2010	Sopris West Language!	4-5				
	Science(s)					
2008	MacMillan/ McGraw Hill California Science	K-5				
	Social Science					
2007	Scotts Foresman	K-5				

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

School custodial staff and the district's maintenance department work together to ensure classrooms and campus grounds are well-maintained and kept safe and functioning for students, staff, and visitors. Maintenance and Operations (M&O) employs an electronic work order system enabling school staff to communicate unscheduled maintenance needs, urgent repairs, or special projects. Most of the school's repairs and maintenance projects are performed by the district's highly qualified, professional trade specialists. Emergency situations are immediately resolved either by the school custodian or district maintenance staff, based upon the nature of the situation. Day and evening custodians work closely as a team and with the principal for routine maintenance, daily custodial duties, and special events preparations. The principal and day custodian communicate daily to discuss campus cleaning needs and safety concerns. Every morning before school begins, the custodian, principal, and assistant principal inspect facilities for safety hazards, graffiti, and other conditions that require removal prior to students and staff entering school grounds. School safety and cleanliness are the custodians' highest priority and strongly emphasized as a component of their daily routines. Custodians are trained by M&O's administrators on proper cleaning procedures, use of chemicals, and use of equipment. The day custodians are responsible for following an established set of cleaning standards and prioritization procedures for general campus maintenance. The day custodian checks restrooms twice a day as a proactive measure in keeping facilities well stocked, safe, and sanitary. The evening custodians are responsible for thorough cleaning of classrooms, office areas, and restrooms. Groundskeepers are dispatched by the district office to perform general maintenance of landscaping, gardening, sports fields, and irrigation systems.

The most recent facilities inspection at Washington Elementary School took place on 7/2/2014. Schools are required by state law to report the condition of their facilities; the School Site Inspection table illustrated in this report identifies the state required inspection areas and discloses the operational status in each of those areas.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month in which data were collected: 7/2/2014							
System Inspected		Repair Status		Repair Needed and			
System inspected	Good	Fair	Poor	Action Taken or Planned			
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	[X]	[]	[]				
Interior: Interior Surfaces		[X]	[]	14: West wall has crack in it s/c: 255353 20: Has a hole back wall by sink s/c: 255353 25: North wall needs patches and paint special ed room s/c: 255353 Drinking fountain in room doesn't work s/c: 255349 3: Room needs to be painted s/c: 255353 Boys Restroom Bldg. 6: Broken hand dryer s/c: 255350 East Hallway: Hallway has a hole bottom of wall s/c: 255353 Girls Restroom Bldg. 1: Hand dryer doesn't work s/c: 255350 Girls Restroom Bldg. 6: North wall needs paint s/c: 255353 Upstairs Bldg. K Next To Girls Restroom: Upstairs has big hole needs to be patched s/c: 255353			
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	[X]	[]	[]				
Electrical: Electrical	[X]	[]	[]	123: Light switch doesn't work s/c: 255350 127: Bad light switch s/c: 255350 226: Light switch doesn't work s/c: 255350 230: Light switch is broken s/c: 255350 Exterior By Rm 24: Electrical plate cover missing exterior wall by rm 24 s/c: 255350 Exterior Light: Light doesn't work bldg one where principal parks s/c: 255350 Front Office Exterior: Lights don't work front of office s/c: 255350			

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year) Year and month in which data were collected: 7/2/2014								
i cai ana men		Repair		.,, _,	Repair Needed and			
System Inspected	Good	Fa		Poor	Action Taken or Planned			
Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	[]	[X			12: Drinking fountain has low water pressure s/c: 255349 130: Faucet stays on s/c: 255349 131: Faucet low water pressure s/c: 255349 134: Sink leaks faucet water stays on s/c: 255349 135: Sink leaks s/c: 255349 18: Faucet in work room has no water pressure s/c: 255349 224: Faucet handle slips and leaks s/c: 255349 228: Drinking fountain has low water pressure s/c: 255349 23: Drinking fountain has low water pressure s/c: 255349 23: Drinking fountain has low water pressure s/c: 255349 25: North wall needs patches and paint special ed room s/c: 255353 Drinking fountain in room doesn't work s/c: 255345: Drinking fountain has low water pressure s/c: 255349 Boys Restroom Bldg. 4: Partition is missin s/c: 255349 Boys Restroom Bldg. K: Sensor on first sin doesn't work, water keeps turning off and on s/c: 255349 Girls Restroom Downstairs: 2 sinks sensor is out s/c: 255349 Women's Staff Downstairs Restroom: Bacsensor (toilet) s/c: 255349			
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	[X]]	J	[]				
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	[X]	[]	[]				
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	[X]	[]	[]	121: Window latch broken computer room s/c: 255352			
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good [X]	Fair	Poor				

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.

CAASPP Results for All Students - Three-Year Comparison									
	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
Subject	School District State						State		
	11-12	12-13	13-14	11-12	12-13	13-14	11-12	12-13	13-14
Science	38	28	33	48	47	47	60	59	60

Science (grades 5, 8, and 10) 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.

STAR Results for All Students - Three-Year Comparison									
	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
Subject	School District						State		
	10-11 11-12 12-13 10-11 11-12 12-13 10						10-11	11-12	12-13
ELA	46	48	42	43	45	44	54	56	55
Math	69	64	58	47	48	45	49	50	50
HSS				37	40	41	48	49	49

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	5	4	4			
Similar Schools	9	9	8			

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

Grade	2013-14 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards						
Level	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6				
5	16.1	13.0	11.2				

* 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.

2013-14 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	47				
All Student at the School	33				
Male	36				
Female	30				
Black or African American					
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino	31				
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander					
White					
Two or More Races					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	32				
English Learners	15				
Students with Disabilities					
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services					
* CAACDD includes science assessme	into (CSTs CMA and CAPA) in grades 5-8				

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.

API Growth by Student Group – Three-Year Comparison					
Cusus	Actual API Change				
Group	10-11	11-12	12-13		
All Students at the School	-1	-3	-20		
Black or African American					
American Indian or Alaska Native					
Asian					
Filipino					
Hispanic or Latino	0	-3	-20		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander					
White					
Two or More Races					
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3	-3	-21		
English Learners	-2	2	-20		
Students with Disabilities					
* "N/D" means that no data were available to the CDF or LFA to report "R"					

"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

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 are encouraged to get involved in Washington Elementary School's learning community by volunteering their time, attending school events, or sharing in the decision-making process. The school welcomes parents to assist in the classroom, library, during field trips, and during special events. Washington Elementary School provides a wide range of opportunities for parents to interact with school staff to help parents support their children's academic efforts; these may include:

- Back to School Night
- Open House
- Student performances
- Fundraisers
- Music/choir and/or theatre performances

- Sports events
- Promotion activities
- Monthly parent meetings
- Student recognition assemblies
- Parent education training and workshops

The following campus organizations provide opportunities for parents to have input on curricular programs, activities, and the design of the School's Plan:

- School Site Council
- English Language Advisory Council
- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Parents seeking more information about becoming an active member in the school community may contact the principal or assistant principal at (714) 445-5100.

School-to-home communication is provided in both English and Spanish. Through routine correspondence and special announcements, parents are kept informed on school news, student activities, schedules, policy changes, and class curriculum updates including the following formats:

- Edulink (Parent Computerized Phone System)
- School web site
- Public Service Channel 31 or 51
- School and/or Class newsletters

- Flyers
- Letters
- School Marquee/Banners
- New Student Orientations

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

The Comprehensive School Site Safety Plan was developed in collaboration with local agencies and the district office to fulfill Senate Bill 187 requirements. Components of this plan include child abuse reporting procedures, teacher notification of dangerous pupil procedures, disaster response procedures, procedures for safe arrival and departure from school, sexual harassment policy, and dress code policy. The school's most current safety plan was reviewed and updated to address the safety plan components and individual responsibilities during the 2013-2014 school year. The Santa Ana Unified School District's Board of Trustees reviews the safety plans annually by March 1.

Suspensions and Expulsions					
School	11-12	12-13	13-14		
Suspensions Rate	1.5	0.8	1.7		
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.1		
District	11-12	12-13	13-14		
Suspensions Rate	7.0	4.9	4.3		
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.1		
State	11-12	12-13	13-14		
Suspensions Rate	5.7	5.1	4.4		
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.1		

^{*} The rate of suspensions and expulsions is calculated by dividing the total number of incidents by the total enrollment x 100.

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.

2013-14 Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria				
AYP Criteria	School	District		
Made AYP Overall				
Met Participation Rate: English-Language Arts				
Met Participation Rate: Mathematics				
Met Percent Proficient: English-Language Arts				
Met Percent Proficient: Mathematics				
Met API Criteria				
Met Graduation Rate (if applicable)				

* On March 7, 2014, the U.S. Department of Education approved California's testing waiver for certain statutory and regulatory requirements. Specifically, a one-year waiver was granted that allowed flexibility in making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) determinations for schools and LEAs participating in the Smarter Balanced assessment field test. The CDE did not produce a 2014 AYP report for elementary and middle schools and elementary and unified school districts.

2014-15 Federal Intervention Program				
Indicator	District			
Program Improvement Status	In PI			
First Year of Program Improvement	2004-2005			
Year in Program Improvement	Year 3			
Number of Schools Currently in Program Impro	54			
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improv	90.0			

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												
a ol o			Number of Classrooms*									
Average Class Size			e		1-20			21-32	2		33+	
Grade	12	13	14	12	13	14	12	13	14	12	13	14
Kinder.	31.8	22	22	0	3	2	6	5	5	0		
Gr. 1	25.1	21	22	0	3	2	7	5	6	0		
Gr. 2	28.8	21	23	0	3	2	5	5	4	0		1
Gr. 3	25.3	19	23	1	3	2	6	4	5	0		
Gr. 4	30.8	27	23	0	1	2	5	5		0		4
Gr. 5	29.2	21	27	1	2	1	0	5	5	4		

^{*} 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.

* Blanks indicate unreported data

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff at this School				
Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)				
Academic Counselor	0			
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	1			
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0			
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional) 1				
Psychologist	1			
Social Worker	0			
Nurse	1			
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist 1				
Resource Specialist 1				
Other	0			
Average Number of Students per Staff Member				
Academic Counselor N/A				

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.

FY 2012-13 Teacher and Administrative Salaries						
Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category				
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$48,660	\$41,761				
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$74,308	\$66,895				
Highest Teacher Salary	\$94,284	\$86,565				
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$115,715	\$108,011				
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$118,268	\$113,058				
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$127,729	\$123,217				
Superintendent Salary	\$265,000	\$227,183				
Percent of District Budget						
Teacher Salaries	39	38				
Administrative Salaries	4	5				

For detailed information on salaries, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits webpage at www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/.

FY 2012-13 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries						
Level	Average Teacher Salary					
School Site	\$5,363	\$1,128	\$4,235	\$82,210		
District	•	•	\$4,130	\$78,285		
State	•	•	\$4,690	\$70,720		
Percent Difference: School Site/District			2.5	5.0		
Percent Difference: School Site/ State			-9.7	16.2		

Types of Services Funded at Washington Elementary School

In addition to general fund state funding, Santa Ana Unified School District received federal, state, and local aid for categorical, special education, and support programs, including but not limited to:

- After School Education and Safety (ASES) (Proposition 49)
- California Career Pathways Trust
- California Clean Energy Jobs Act (Prop 39)
- Carl Perkins
- Carol M White PEP Grant
- Common Core State Standards (CCSS)
- Gear Up IV (RSCC Fiscal Agent)
- Head Start
- Irvine Mathematics Project UCI
- Kinder Readiness Program II

- Lighthouse Academy Project Governor's CTE Initiative: CA Parnership Academies
- Lottery: Instructional Materials
- Medi-Cal Billing Option
- Migrant Ed
- Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention (NEOP) Grant Program
- Partnership Academies Program
- Quality Education Investment Act QEIA
- Special Ed
- Title I, II, III, and IV part B

Professional Development provided for Teachers at Washington Elementary School

All curriculum and instructional improvement activities at Santa Ana Unified School District are aligned to the California State Content Standards and Frameworks. Staff development concentrations are selected and identified based upon student assessment results, NCLB requirements, teacher input, state content standards, and professional development surveys. All staff development activities at Santa Ana Unified School District are focused on increasing student learning and English language proficiency. Common Core Standards and related instructional shifts were introduced.

During the 2013-14 school year, our school sponsored 15 hours of staff development.

Staff training topics at the individual school included:

Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC), Thinking Maps, Structured Language Practice, Sheltered Instruction Intervention Protocol (SIOP), Common Core Standards. Common Core Instructional Shifts, Common Core Units of Study, Cognitively Guided Instruction, Khan Academy, Lexia and Chromebooks.

Santa Ana Unified School District offers supplemental training and support for new and ongoing program implementation. Training activities take place throughout the school year, after school, and during the summer and generally focus on curriculum, teaching strategies, and methodologies. During the 2014-15 school year, district training opportunities will focus on the following:

At the elementary level:

- PBIS
- Gifted and Talented Education
- Differentiated Instruction
- Special Education
- Data Analysis and Using Data to Drive Instruction

- Curriculum Mapping
- Thinking Maps
- Structured Language Practice
- Modeled Focused Writing
- Benchmark Assessments in Language Arts and Math

New teachers and teachers not yet fully credentialed are supported by peer coaching and extensive staff development. The BTSA Induction Program (Beginning Teacher Support and Assistance) is a state-approved program that offers additional support and assistance to newly credentialed teachers. All new teachers are assigned to a Support Provider (mentor teacher) and provided individualized support over a two-year period. More information about the BTSA Induction Program is available at http://www.sausd.us/14431028114350867/site/default.asp

Staff members are encouraged to attend professional workshops and conferences. New teachers, experienced teachers, mentor/ teacher leaders, administrators, and support staff are encouraged to participate in workshops sponsored by the Orange County Office of Education and courses offered by community colleges and universities. Classified support staff may receive additional job-related training from vendors, department supervisors, and district representatives.

To support veteran teachers, Santa Ana Unified School District offers Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) program. In this program, experienced and knowledgeable veteran teachers, referred to as Consulting Teachers, provide ongoing assistance to teachers who need to improve their instructional skills, classroom management strategies, subject knowledge, and/or related aspects of their teaching performance.