



Lydia Romero-Cruz Elementary

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School Description

Lydia Romero-Cruz Elementary (Romero-Cruz) is located at 2701 West Fifth Street in Santa Ana California. Romero-Cruz serves students in grades TK, K, 1, 2, 4 and 5. Romero-Cruz fourth and fifth grade students primarily feed from George Washington Carver Elementary School and are taught in Structured English Immersion or Mainstream English classes. Romero-Cruz TK through 2nd grade students are enrolled in a Dual Immersion Spanish/English program and are from surrounding areas inside and outside of the SAUSD boundaries. Current student enrollment is 194 with a student population comprised of Hispanic/Latino, socio-economically disadvantaged, and English Learners.

School-wide Goals

Goal 1: Romero-Cruz students will experience success bridging into Intermediate School and beyond.

Goal 2: Romero-Cruz students will meet grade-level content and linguistic demands.

Goal 3: Romero-Cruz school community will continue to build a culture of high expectations, collaboration, and success for all students.

School Mission

Romero-Cruz Elementary school is committed to providing personalized learning and socio-emotional services to all students in order to meet their individual needs and reach their academic goals. Teachers, parents, and staff engage in the decision-making process to ensure access to a variety of standards-based, research-based resources and real-world experiences to assist students in developing 21st Century skills. It is our belief that all students can learn and experience success in college or a career of their choice when they are provided with the appropriate tools, strategies and supports.

District Profile

Santa Ana Unified School District (SAUSD) is the seventh largest district in the state, currently serving nearly 49,300 students in grades K-12, residing in the city of Santa Ana. As of 2017-18, SAUSD operates 36 elementary schools, 9 intermediate schools, 7 high schools, 3 alternative high schools, and 5 charter schools. The student population is comprised of 80% enrolled in the Free or Reduced Price Meal program, 39% qualifying for English language learner support, and approximately 13% 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, 20 schools have received the Golden Bell Award since 1990.

Each of Santa Ana Unified School District's staff members, parent, 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.

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 and Accountability Plan (LCAP), which describes how they intend to meet annual school-specific goals for all pupils, with specific activities to address state and local priorities. Additionally, data reported in an LCAP is to be consistent with data reported in the SARC.

- For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.
- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/>.
- For additional information about the school, parents/guardians and community members should contact the school principal or the district office.

2017-18 Student Enrollment by Grade Level

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	30
Grade 1	11
Grade 4	68
Grade 5	103
Total Enrollment	212

2017-18 Student Enrollment by Group

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	0.5
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.9
Asian	0.9
Filipino	0.0
Hispanic or Latino	96.2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0
White	0.9
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	92.9
English Learners	56.1
Students with Disabilities	8.5
Foster Youth	1.9

A. Conditions of Learning

State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Basic (Priority 1):

- Degree to which teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in the subject area and for the pupils they are teaching;
- Pupils have access to standards-aligned instructional materials; and
- School facilities are maintained in good repair

Teacher Credentials

Lydia Romero-Cruz Elementary	16-17	17-18	18-19
With Full Credential	11	11	9
Without Full Credential	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0
Santa Ana Unified School District	16-17	17-18	18-19
With Full Credential	♦	♦	1986
Without Full Credential	♦	♦	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	♦	♦	11

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at this School

Lydia Romero-Cruz Elementary	16-17	17-18	18-19
Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

* Note: "Misassignments" refers to the number of positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc.

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

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

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 9, 2018, 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. 18/19-3253 which certifies as required by Education Code §60119 that for the 2018-2019 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 including those 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		
2017	Houghton-Mifflin, <i>Expressions</i>	K-5
Language Arts		
2018	Benchmark Education Company, <i>Benchmark Advance</i>	TK-5
Spanish Language Arts		
2018	Benchmark Education Company, <i>Benchmark Adelante</i>	TK-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 and 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.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)		
Year and month in which data were collected: 7/12/2018		
System Inspected	Repair Status	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Good	
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	
Electrical: Electrical	Good	
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Poor	RUSS FORD 2ND FL BOYS RESTROOM: Loose sinks and toilets wo: 23646 RUSS FORD 2ND FL GIRLS RESTROOM: Loose sinks wo: 23646

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)
Year and month in which data were collected: 7/12/2018

System Inspected	Repair Status	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
		RUSS FORD 2ND FL MEN'S RESTROOM: Loose sinks and toilets wo: 23646 RUSS FORD 2ND FL WOMEN'S RESTROOM: Loose sinks wo: 23646
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Good	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	
Overall Rating	Good	

B. Pupil Outcomes

State Priority: Pupil Achievement

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

- **Statewide assessments** (i.e., California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress [CAASPP] System, which includes the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments for students in the general education population and the California Alternate Assessments [CAAs] for English language arts/literacy [ELA] and mathematics given in grades three through eight and grade eleven. Only eligible students may participate in the administration of the CAAs. CAAs items are aligned with alternate achievement standards, which are linked with the Common Core State Standards [CCSS] for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities); and
- The percentage of students who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, or career technical education sequences or programs of study

2017-18 CAASPP Results for All Students

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)					
	School		District		State	
	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18
ELA	24.0	30.0	31.0	32.0	48.0	50.0
Math	24.0	25.0	25.0	26.0	37.0	38.0

Note: Percentages are not calculated when the number of students tested is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: ELA and mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3–Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)					
	School		District		State	
	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18	16-17	17-18
Science	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

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

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

State Priority: Other Pupil Outcomes

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

- Pupil outcomes in the subject area of physical education

Grade Level	2017-18 Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6
5	22.1	25.0	13.5

* 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.

**School Year 2017-18 CAASPP Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA)
Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven**

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	175	172	98.29	29.65
Male	81	81	100.00	20.99
Female	94	91	96.81	37.36
Asian	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	173	170	98.27	28.82
White	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	163	160	98.16	27.50
English Learners	146	143	97.95	20.98
Students with Disabilities	18	18	100.00	11.11
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--

Note: ELA test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3--Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Note: Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: The number of students tested includes all students who participated in the test whether they received a score or not; however, the number of students tested is not the number that was used to calculate the achievement level percentages. The achievement level percentages are calculated using only students who received scores.

**School Year 2017-18 CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics
Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven**

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	175	174	99.43	25.29
Male	81	80	98.77	26.25
Female	94	94	100	24.47
Asian	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	173	172	99.42	24.42
White	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	163	162	99.39	22.22
English Learners	146	145	99.32	18.62
Students with Disabilities	18	18	100	5.56
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	--	--	--	--

Note: Mathematics test results include the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment and the CAA. The "Percent Met or Exceeded" is calculated by taking the total number of students who met or exceeded the standard on the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment plus the total number of students who met the standard (i.e., achieved Level 3--Alternate) on the CAAs divided by the total number of students who participated in both assessments.

Note: Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: The number of students tested includes all students who participated in the test whether they received a score or not; however, the number of students tested is not the number that was used to calculate the achievement level percentages. The achievement level percentages are calculated using only students who received scores.

C. Engagement

State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the State priority: Parental Involvement (Priority 3):

- Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each school site

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2018-19)

Parents are highly encouraged to participate in Romero-Cruz Elementary School's community by volunteering their time, attending informational meetings and school events, and sharing in the decision-making process. The school welcomes parent assistance in the classroom, the library/media center, and at special events and field trips. Romero-Cruz provides multiple opportunities for parent/staff interaction and collaboration in support of students' academic efforts and success. Involvement opportunities include:

- Back to School Night
- Open House
- Teacher/Parent Conferences
- Student Performances
- Fundraisers
- Student Projects and Presentations
- Fifth Grade Promotion Activities
- Student Recognition and Trimester Awards Assemblies
- Monthly General Parent Meetings and LCAP Stakeholder Engagement Meetings
- Monthly Dual Language Parent Meetings
- English Language Advisory Council (ELAC), School Site Council (SSC), and Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Meetings
- Parent Workshops, Parenting Classes and through our Family Wellness Center

Parents receive information and updates on the academic progress of their child through:

- Student Agenda
- Progress Reports
- Trimester Report Cards
- State Standardized Assessments Student Reports
- District Benchmark Student Reports
- Individual Parent Conferences, Phone Calls, Electronic Messages
- SST and Board of Review Meetings

Parents are kept current and regularly informed on school programs, beyond the bell student interventions and enrichment opportunities, school/class activities and events, special announcements, policy changes, and curriculum updates. School-to-home communication is provided in both, English and Spanish in the following formats:

- Blackboard Automated Phone Messaging System
- School Mobile App
- School/Teacher Web Pages
- Public Service Channel 31
- School/Class Newsletters
- Monthly Calendar of Events
- Flyers
- Letters
- School Marquee/Banners
- Parent/Community Meetings

Parents seeking more information on becoming active members in the school community may contact the school administration office at (714) 564-8000.

State Priority: School Climate

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

- Pupil suspension rates;
- Pupil expulsion rates; and
- Other local measures on the sense of safety.

School Safety Plan

The Comprehensive School Site Safety Plan (CSSP) was developed in collaboration with law enforcement and the district office to fulfill Senate Bill 187 requirements. The school's most current plan is reviewed and updated to address safety, security and emergency preparedness. Schools are required to review and update their Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) with their School Site Councils and/or Safety Committees. Each School Safety Plan is forwarded to the District Office for review annually.

Suspensions and Expulsions

School	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Suspensions Rate	1.4	0.7	3.4
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0
District	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Suspensions Rate	3.0	3.1	3.1
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.0
State	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Suspensions Rate	3.7	3.7	3.5
Expulsions Rate	0.1	0.1	0.1

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.

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff at this School

Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)

Academic Counselor	0
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	.72
Psychologist	.20
Social Worker	0
Nurse	.20
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	.20
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	1
Other	1
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.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade	Average Class Size			Number of Classrooms*								
				1-20			21-32			33+		
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
K			21			1			1			
4	31	29	28				5	5	2			
5	26	28	29	1			4	5	4			

* Number of classes indicates how many classes fall into each size category (a range of total students per class).

Professional Development provided for Teachers

All curriculum and instructional improvement activities promoted by the Santa Ana Unified School District are aligned to the new Common Core State Standards. Areas of focus for professional development are selected and identified based upon student achievement outcomes, teacher input, newly adopted state standards, and school community stakeholder surveys.

In 2018/19, Romero-Cruz is focusing on the following areas for professional development:

- AVID K-12 Workshop
- ELD modules
- Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS)
- Next Generation Science Standards a (NGSS)
- Math Expressions
- ELPAC
- GLAD Spanish Dual Immersion
- ELA Benchmark

New teachers and teachers not yet fully credentialed are supported by peer coaching and extensive staff development. The Teacher Induction & Professional Support Program (TIPS) 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 TIPS Induction Program is available on www.sausdtips.org.

Veteran and new teachers may participate in the Peer Assistance Review (PAR) program. Through this program, District's experienced and knowledgeable veteran teachers, referred to as Consulting Teachers, provide ongoing assistance to teachers who need support in the following areas: instruction and instructional practices, classroom management, student assessment and data-driven instructional planning, and any other areas/components in the California Standards for the Teaching Profession (CSTPs).

Additionally, the Santa Ana Unified School District offers multiple trainings and professional learning opportunities throughout the year to support the implementation of current/ongoing and new programs and initiatives. Professional development is scheduled before and after school hours, on Saturdays, and during the summer. All teachers and instructional staff are encouraged to attend workshops and conferences and to participate in online courses and learning opportunities available through the District.

FY 2016-17 Teacher and Administrative Salaries		
Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$56,826	\$47,903
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$86,779	\$74,481
Highest Teacher Salary	\$110,107	\$98,269
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$129,866	\$123,495
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$131,985	\$129,482
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$147,384	\$142,414
Superintendent Salary	\$327,000	\$271,429
Percent of District Budget		
Teacher Salaries	36.0	35.0
Administrative Salaries	4.0	5.0

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

Types of Services Funded

- 21st Century ASSETS
- After School Education and Safety (ASES) (Proposition 49)
- AVID-OCDE Destination Graduation
- California Career Pathways Trust
- California Partnership Academies
- Head Start
- Lighthouse Academy Project - Governor's CTE Initiative: CA Partnership Academies
- Lottery: Instructional Materials
- Medi-Cal Billing Option
- NCLB: Title I, School Improvement Grant QEIA
- Ongoing & Major Maintenance Account
- PLTW (Project Lead The Way, Inc.)
- Supplementary Prgs-Specialized Secondary
- Title I, II, and III

DataQuest

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

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 2016-17 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries				
Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	
School Site	7962	1498	6464	93548
District	◆	◆	\$6,836	\$91,640
State	◆	◆	\$7,125	\$80,764
Percent Difference: School Site/District			-5.6	2.1
Percent Difference: School Site/ State			-9.7	14.7

* Cells with ◆ do not require data.

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