

# **ROBERT H. DOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

## **School Accountability Report Card**

**Reported for School Year 2009-10**

*Published During 2010-11*

### **Executive Summary School Accountability Report Card, 2009-10**

#### **Robert Down Elementary School**

Address: 485 Pine Ave. , Pacific Grove CA 93950-3401  
Principal: Linda Williams

Phone: 831-646-6540  
Grade Span: K - 5

This executive summary of the School Accountability Report Card (SARC) is intended to provide parents and community members with a quick snapshot of school accountability. The data presented in this report are reported for the 2009-10 school year, except the School Finances and School Completion data that are reported for the 2008-09 school year. For additional information about the school, parents and community members should review the entire SARC or contact the school principal or the district office.

#### **About This School**

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#### **Student Enrollment**

<b>Group</b>	<b>Percent</b>
African American	2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	.2 %
Asian	10%
Filipino	2.9 %
Hispanic or Latino	12.8 %
Pacific Islander	0 %
White (not Hispanic)	69.5%
Multiple or No Response	1.9%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	11%
English Learners	3.00 %
Students with Disabilities	5.00 %
<b>Total Number of Students</b>	<b>374</b>

## Teachers

Indicator	Teachers
Teachers with full credential	26
Teachers without full credential	0
Teachers Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0

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## Student Performance

Subject	Students Proficient and Above on California Standards Tests
English-Language Arts	77%
Mathematics	81%
Science	94%

## Academic Progress

Indicator	Result
2010 Growth API Score (from 2010 Growth API Report)	899
Statewide Rank (from 2009 Base API Report)	9
2010-11 Program Improvement Status (PI Year)	Not in PI

## School Facilities

### Summary of Most Recent Site Inspection

Robert Down School provides a safe and clean environment for learning. During the school year, routine inspections are made by two full-time school custodians and the district maintenance staff. School staff report any and all repairs needed on the premises. The Pacific Grove Fire Marshall does a yearly overall safety inspection. The cafeteria is inspected regularly by a Monterey County health inspector.

### Repairs Needed

Routine repair work is assigned and accounted for through a district work order system. Work that may pose a security or safety hazard is given immediate attention. All routine repairs were done in a timely fashion during the 2009-10 school year. During the summer of 2010 with the use of Measure D funds, construction began on a list of approved projects.

### Corrective Actions Taken or Planned

During the 2010 summer several construction projects began including: annex restroom remodel, cafeteria/kitchen remodel, interior lighting replacement, interior painting, floor repair/replacement, art/science room remodel, office remodel, speech/OT room remodel.

## Curriculum and Instructional Materials

Core Curriculum Areas	Pupils Who Lack Textbooks and Instructional Materials
Reading/Language Arts	0%
Mathematics	0%
Science	0%
History-Social Science	0%

## School Finances

State	\$5,681

## NAEP Reading, Grade 4

Level	Result
Average Scale Score - State	209
Average Scale Score - National	220
Achievement Level - Basic	30%
Achievement Level - Proficient	18%
Achievement Level - Advanced	5%

## NAEP Mathematics, Grade 4

Level	Result
Average Scale Score - State	232
Average Scale Score - National	239
Achievement Level - Basic	41%
Achievement Level - Proficient	25%
Achievement Level - Advanced	5%

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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 California Department of Education (CDE) [SARC](#) Web page. 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 on the CDE [DataQuest](#) Web page 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 2010-11)

This section provides the schools contact information.

School		District	
School Name	Robert Down Elementary	District Name	Pacific Grove Unified
Street	485 Pine Ave.	Phone Number	831-646-6520
City, State, Zip	Pacific Grove , CA 93950-3401	Web Site	www.pgusd.org
Phone Number	831-646-6540	Superintendent	Ralph Porras
Principal	Linda Williams	E-mail Address	rporras@pgusd.org
E-mail Address	lwilliams@pgusd.org	CDS Code	27- 66134- 6026496

### School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2009-10)

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Programs include: Title I, Teacher Professional Development, Special Education, GATE, Art Docent, School Garden, School-based Counseling, Speech Therapy, School Library, Physical Education, Computer Lab, Vocal and Instrumental Music, Phonemic Awareness, DARE, Big Buddy, After-School Enrichment, Study Hall/Homework Support, Chorus, Poet-in Residence, Kinder Cooking, Caught Being Good, Otter Good Citizen Program, MegaSkills, Community of Caring, Just Run.

### Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2009-10)

There are a variety of ways for parents to be involved at Robert Down School. Please contact your child's teacher for specific in-class opportunities. For school-wide parental involvement activities, you may call 8321-646-6540 and leave a message for Office Manger, Deanna Karasek; Volunteer Coordinator- Petula Lee, PTA President- Jennifer Millette, Art Docent Coordinator- Kristi Sebok, Garden Docent Coordinator- Claire Phillips.

### Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2009-10)

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

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	57
Grade 1	63
Grade 2	68
Grade 3	64
Grade 4	64
Grade 5	58
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>374</b>

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### Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2009-10)

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
African American	2.7%
American Indian or Alaska Native	.2%
Asian	10%
Filipino	2.9%
Hispanic or Latino	12.8%
Pacific Islander	0 %
White (not Hispanic)	69.5 %
Multiple or No Response	1.9%
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	11 %
English Learners	3.0%
Students with Disabilities	5.0%

### Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

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

Grade Level	2007-08				2008-09			2009-10				
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classrooms		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
K	20.3	2	1		20.3	2	1		21		3	
1	20.0	4			20.3	1	2		22		3	
2	18.0	3			19.0	4			23		3	
3	12.6	5			18.7	3			25.4		2.5	
4	20.4	3	2		26.0		3		24.4		2.5	
5	19.7	2	1		19.3	3						
K-3												
3-4												
4-8	7.0	2										
Other												

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### III. School Climate

#### School Safety Plan (School Year 2009-10)

The safety plan for Robert Down School is reviewed yearly with updates made as needed. A standing safety committee is in place and crisis teams are assigned and trained.

#### 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		
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Suspensions	3.1	10.7	2.2	10.0	8.2	**
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**

### IV. School Facilities

#### School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (School Year 2010-11)

During the 2010-11 school year, the following projects were completed: annex restroom remodel, cafeteria/kitchen remodel, interior lighting replacement, interior painting, floor repair/replacement, art/science room remodel, office remodel, speech/OT room remodel, primary playground resurfacing, phones and intercom system .

## School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2010-11)

System Inspected	Repair Status				Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor	
<b>Systems:</b> Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer		X			
<b>Interior:</b> Interior Surfaces	X				New interior paint and flooring
<b>Cleanliness:</b> Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation		X			
<b>Electrical:</b> Electrical		X			New interior lighting
<b>Restrooms/Fountains:</b> Restrooms, Sinks/Fountains		X			New restrooms in the annex
<b>Safety:</b> Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials		X			
<b>Structural:</b> Structural Damage, Roofs		X			
<b>External:</b> Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences		X			New exterior fence and gates, new windows, exterior painting, resurfacing of primary playground
<b>Overall Rating</b>	Good				

## V. Teachers

### 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 [CDE DataQuest](#) Web page.

Teachers	School		District	
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2009-10
With Full Credential	28	25	25	**
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	**
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0	

### 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	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	2
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	2
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

### Core Academic Classes Taught by No Child Left Behind Compliant Teachers (SY 2009-10)

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. High poverty schools are defined as those schools with student participation of approximately 75 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low poverty schools

are those with student participation of approximately 25 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program. More information on teacher qualifications required under NCLB can be found on the CDE [Improving Teacher and Principal Quality](#) Web page.

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by NCLB Compliant Teachers	Taught by Non-NCLB Compliant Teachers
This School	100 %	100 %
All Schools in District	100 %	100 %

## VI. Support Staff

### Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2009-10)

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 Position
Academic Counselor	.4	25
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)		N/A
Psychologist	.5	35
Social Worker		N/A
Nurse		N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1.0	28
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)		N/A
Other		N/A

## VII. Curriculum and Instructional Materials

### Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (SY 2010-11)

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	Excellent	0%
Mathematics	Excellent	0%
Science	Excellent	0%
History-Social Science	Excellent	0%
Health	Good	0%
Visual and Performing Arts	Good	0%



## VIII. School Finances

### Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2008-09)

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 on the CDE [Current Expense of Education & Per-pupil Spending](#) Web page and teacher salaries can be found on the CDE [Certificated Salaries & Benefits](#) Web page.

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Supplemental / Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Basic / Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$6,989	\$787	\$6,202	\$100,391
District	N/A	N/A	\$41,298	\$99,255
Percent Difference – School Site and District	N/A	N/A	83.5%	101%
State	N/A	N/A	\$5,681 (08-09)	\$61,706 (08-09)
Percent Difference – School Site and State	N/A	N/A	8.5%	38.5%

### Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2009-10)

Title I, English Language Learner, Teacher Professional Development, Special Education, GATE, Art Docent, School-based Counseling, Behavior Interventions, Speech Therapy, School Library, Physical Education, Computer Lab, Vocal and Instrumental Music, Phonemic Awareness, DARE, Big Buddy, After-School Enrichment, Homework Support, Chorus, Poet-in- Residence, Kinder Cooking, Caught Being Good, Otter Good Citizen Program, Stanford EPGY Math, Earobics, Accelerated Math, Just Run, School Newspaper, Anti-Bullying, Recycling, Garden Docent

### Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2008-09)

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 based on the salary schedule. Detailed information regarding salaries may be found on the CDE [Certificated Salaries & Benefits](#) Web page.

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$40,205	\$38,970
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$71,130	\$59,776
Highest Teacher Salary	\$94,884	\$78,072
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$127,549	\$94,605
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$122,311	\$98,480
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$153,147	\$106,266
Superintendent Salary	\$185,298	\$144,721
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	41.60 %	38.80 %
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	7.50 %	6.00 %

## IX. Student Performance

### Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

The Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program consists of several key components, including the California Standards Tests (CSTs); the California Modified Assessment (CMA), and the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA). The 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 two through eleven; science in grades five, eight, and nine through eleven; and history-social science in grades eight, and ten through eleven. The CAPA includes ELA, mathematics, and science in grades two through eleven, and for science for grades five, eight, and ten. The CAPA is given to those students with significant cognitive disabilities whose disabilities prevent them from taking either the CSTs with accommodations or modifications or the CMA with accommodations. The CMA includes ELA and mathematics for grades three through eight and science in grade five and is an alternate assessment that is based on modified achievement standards. The CMA is designed to assess those students whose disabilities preclude them from achieving grade-level proficiency on an assessment of the California content standards with or without accommodations. Student scores are reported as performance levels. Detailed information regarding the STAR Program results for each grade and performance level, including the percent of students not tested, can be found on the CDE [Standardized Testing and Reporting \(STAR\) Results](#) Web site. Program information regarding the STAR Program can be found in the [Explaining 2008 STAR Program Summary Results to the Public guide](#). Note: 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. In no case shall any group score be reported that would deliberately or inadvertently make public the score or performance of any individual student.

### Standardized Testing and Reporting 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		
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
English-Language Arts	78	79	77	73	74	76	46	50	52
Mathematics	80	79	81	65	58	64	43	46	48
Science	84	78	94	77	73	79	46	50	54
History-Social Science	0	0	0	70	70	73	36	41	44

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### Standardized Testing and Reporting Results by Student Group (School Year 2009-10)

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	91	95	*	
Filipino	*	*	*	
Hispanic or Latino	71	62	*	
Pacific Islander	*	*		
White (not Hispanic)	79	83	95	
Male	76	81	10	
Female	79	80	86	
Economically Disadvantaged	*	*		
English Learners	*	*		
Students with Disabilities	18	45		

*Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is 10 or less because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or privacy protection. In no case shall any group score be reported that would deliberately or inadvertently make public the score or performance of any individual student.*

## California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2009-10)

The California Physical Fitness Test is administered to students in grades five, seven, and nine only. This table displays by grade level the percent of students meeting fitness standards for the most recent testing period. Detailed information regarding this test, and comparisons of a school's test results to the district and state levels, may be found on the CDE [Physical Fitness Testing \(PFT\)](#) Web page. Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is ten or less because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or privacy protection. In no case shall any group score be reported that would deliberately or inadvertently make public the score or performance of any individual student.

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Healthy Fitness Zones		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	21.6	25.9	29.3

## 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 on the CDE [Academic Performance Index \(API\)](#) Web page.

### Academic Performance Index Ranks – Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the school's statewide and similar schools API ranks. The statewide API rank ranges from one to ten. A statewide rank of one means that the school has an API score in the lowest ten percent of all schools in the state, while a statewide rank of ten means that the school has an API score in the highest ten 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 one means that the school's academic performance is comparable to the lowest performing ten schools of the 100 similar schools, while a similar schools rank of ten means that the school's

academic performance is better than at least 90 of the 100 similar schools.

API Rank	2007	2008	2009
Statewide	9	9	9
Similar Schools	4	4	7

### Academic Performance Index Growth 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
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010
All Students at the School	4	28	2	899
African American				
American Indian or Alaska Native				
Asian				
Filipino				
Hispanic or Latino				
Pacific Islander				
White (not Hispanic)	-1	23	-1	902
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged				
English Learners				
Students with Disabilities				

### 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 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 on the CDE [Adequate Yearly Progress \(AYP\) Web page](#).

### Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2009-10)

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	Pend
Participation Rate - English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes
Participation Rate - Mathematics	Yes	Yes
Percent Proficient - English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes
Percent Proficient - Mathematics	Yes	Yes
API	Yes	Yes
Graduation Rate	N/A	Pend

"Yes" Met 2010 AYP Criteria

"No" Did not Meet 2010 AYP Criteria

### Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2010-11)

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 (ELA 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 on the CDE [Adequate Yearly Progress \(AYP\)](#) Web page.

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

## **XII. Instructional Planning and Scheduling**

### **Professional Development**

Two annual school days per year are devoted to certificated staff professional development. During the entire school year, every Thursday students are released an hour early so that staff may collaborate and participate in professional training.

## **XIII. National Assessment of Educational Progress**

### **National Assessment of Educational Progress**

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is a nationally representative assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Assessments are conducted periodically in mathematics, reading, science, writing, the arts, civics, economics, geography, and U.S. history. Student scores for reading and mathematics are reported as performance levels (i.e., basic, proficient, and advanced) and the participation of students with disabilities and English language learners is reported based on three levels (identified, excluded, and assessed). Detailed information regarding the NAEP results for each grade, performance level, and participation rate can be found on the [National Assessment of Educational Progress](#) Web page (Outside Source).

Note: Only a sample group of California's schools and districts participate in the NAEP testing cycle. Therefore, students in any particular school or district may not be included in these results. The NAEP reflects state test results and is not reflective of either the LEA or the individual school. Comparisons of student performance on the NAEP and student performance on the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program assessments cannot be made without an understanding of the key differences between the two assessment programs. For example, the NAEP only assesses grades four, eight and twelve and for long-term trends assesses grades nine, thirteen, and seventeen. Additionally, the NAEP only provides state test results for grades four and eight. The California Standards Tests (CSTs) are based on a different set of standards than the NAEP assessments. For example, the NAEP is not aligned with California academic content and achievement standards and, therefore, does not necessarily reflect the curriculum and instruction to which students are exposed in the classroom. The NAEP assesses reading and writing separately, while the CSTs assess English-language arts (ELA), encompassing reading as well as writing conventions, spelling, and grammar. Scores on the CSTs and other assessments are not directly comparable to those on NAEP. The averages and percentages presented are estimates based on samples of students rather than on entire populations. Finally, the questions students respond to are only a sample of

the knowledge and skills covered by the NAEP frameworks. Information on the differences between NAEP and CST can be found on the CDE [National Assessment of Educational Progress \(NAEP\)](#) Web page.

### **National Assessment of Educational Progress Reading and Mathematics Results by Grade Level – Aggregated**

This table displays the scale scores and achievement levels on the National Assessment of Educational Progress Results for reading (2007) and mathematics (2009) for grades four and eight.

Subject and Grade Level	Average Scale Score		State Percent at Achievement Level		
	State	National	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
Reading 2009, Grade 4	210	220	30	18	5
Reading 2009, Grade 8	253	262	41	20	2
Mathematics 2009, Grade 4	232	239	41	25	5
Mathematics 2009, Grade 8	270	282	36	18	5

### **National Assessment of Educational Progress Reading and Mathematics Results for Students with Disabilities and/or English Language Learners by Grade Level – Aggregated**

This table displays the state and national participation rates on the National Assessment of Educational Progress for reading (2007) and mathematics (2009) for students with disabilities and/or English language learners for grades four and eight.

Subject and Grade Level	State Participation Rate		National Participation Rate	
	Students With Disabilities	English Language Learners	Students With Disabilities	English Language Learners
Reading 2009, Grade 4	73	95	71	84
Reading 2009 Grade 8	81	95	72	84
Mathematics 2009, Grade 4	81	95	72	83
Mathematics 2009, Grade 8	85	96	78	92