Shasta Elementary School School Accountability Report Card Reported Using Data from the 2012-13 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.

- For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC webpage at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/.
- For additional information about the school, parents and community members should contact the school principal or the district
 office.

I. Data and Access

DataQuest

DataQuest is an online data tool located on the CDE DataQuest Web page at http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/ that contains additional information about this school and comparisons of the school to the district, the county, and the state. Specifically, DataQuest is a dynamic system that provides reports for accountability (e.g., state Academic Performance Index [API], federal Adequate Yearly Progress [AYP]), 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.

Additional Information

For further information regarding the data elements and terms used in the SARC see the 2012–13 Academic Performance Index Reports Information Guide located on the CDE API Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/.

II. About This School

Contact Information (School Year 2013-14)

School Contact Information			
School Name	Shasta Elementary School		
Street	169 Leora Court		
City, State, Zip	Chico, CA 95973		
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CDS Code	04-61424-6003099		

District Contact Information			
District Name	Chico Unified School District		
Phone Number	(530) 891-3000		
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Superintendent	Kelly Staley		
E-mail Address	kstaley@chicousd.org		

School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2012-13)

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

Shasta School is located at the north end of Chico, serving the rural/residential community between Commercial Avenue and the Butte County line. Although enrollment in this K-6 school has grown, parents still regard Shasta as a quiet, country school with its peaceful vista of mountains across the valley.

The following statements were developed by our School Site Council and Planning Team in order to communicate our ideals to the community.

Shasta School's mission is to promote high academic achievement for all students while instilling values of responsible citizenship and respect for others in a safe, enriched environment.

It is the vision of Shasta Elementary School that with the aid of pupils, parents, staff and community, students will become confident individuals with positive self-esteem. They will be respectful; effective communicators; creative problem solvers; critical, reflective thinkers; self-directed life-long learners; and users of current technology. In our vision, all students will develop a strong foundation for continual learning by working to high standards and expectations for achievement. Accountability will be shared between parents, educators and the students themselves. Our school will provide students with a safe and secure learning environment where they will take advantage of a wide variety of resources and learning strategies.

Opportunities for Parental Involvement (School Year 2012-13)

This section provides information on how parents can become involved in school activities, including contact information pertaining to organized opportunities for parent involvement.

Parent involvement and support at Shasta are high, with many parents serving as parent volunteers in classrooms and on field trips. An active PTO provides support in many ways, with effort directed toward getting the school community together for social activities.

Grandparents and Friends Day, a school sponsored activity for the past 40 years, draws over 1200 grandparents and relatives to the school for a day of programs and activities. Another annual event, the Farmer's Dinner, is sponsored by the PTO and involves all of the school community. Contact the main office for more information.

III. Student Performance

The Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program consists of several key components, including:

- California Standards Tests (CSTs), which 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 nine through eleven.
- California Modified Assessment (CMA), an alternate assessment that is based on modified achievement standards in ELA for grades three through eleven; mathematics for grades three through seven, Algebra I, and Geometry; and science in grades five and eight, and Life Science in grade ten. 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.
- California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA), includes ELA and mathematics in grades two through eleven, and 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 assessments under the STAR Program show how well students are doing in relation to the state content standards. On each of these assessments, student scores are reported as performance levels.

For detailed information regarding the STAR Program results for each grade and performance level, including the percent of students not tested, see the CDE STAR Results Web site at http://star.cde.ca.gov.

Standardized Testing and Reporting 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			
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
English-Language Arts	64	66	60	58	58	58	54	56	55
Mathematics	71	71	74	51	51	52	49	50	50
Science	71	82	66	67	68	67	57	60	59
History-Social Science	N/A	N/A	N/A	59	56	58	48	49	49

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.

Standardized Testing and Reporting Results by Student Group - Most Recent Year

-	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced					
Group	English-Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	History-Social Science		
All Students in the LEA	58	52	67	N/A		
All Student at the School	60	74	66	N/A		
Male	55	73	70	N/A		
Female	67	75	61	N/A		
Black or African American	46	54		N/A		
American Indian or Alaska Native				N/A		
Asian	31	100		N/A		
Filipino				N/A		
Hispanic or Latino	42	55		N/A		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander				N/A		
White	65	78	69	N/A		
Two or More Races				N/A		
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	43	58	52	N/A		
English Learners	27	45		N/A		
Students with Disabilities	30	38		N/A		
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				N/A		

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.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2012-13)

The California Physical Fitness Test (PFT) is administered to students in grades five, seven, and nine only. This table displays by grade level the percent of students meeting the fitness standards for the most recent testing period. For detailed information regarding this test, and comparisons of a school's test results to the district and state, see the CDE PFT Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf/.

Grade	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards			
Level	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards	
5	12.8	33.3	29.5	

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.

IV. Accountability

Academic Performance Index

The Academic Performance Index (API) is an annual measure of state academic performance and progress of schools in California. API scores range from 200 to 1,000, with a statewide target of 800. For detailed information about the API, see the CDE API Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/.

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 1 to 10. A statewide rank of 1 means that the school has an API score in the lowest ten percent of all schools in the state, while a statewide rank of 10 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 1 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 10 means that the school's academic performance is better than at least 90 of the 100 similar schools.

API Rank	2010	2011	2012
Statewide	8	7	7
Similar Schools	2	4	3

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

6 111111	Actual API Change					
Group	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13			
All Students at the School	3	-2	3			
Black or African American						
American Indian or Alaska Native						
Asian						
Filipino						
Hispanic or Latino						
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander						
White	3	5	0			
Two or More Races						
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	25	3	25			
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.

Academic Performance Index Growth by Student Group - 2013 Growth API Comparison

This table displays, by student group, the number of students included in the API and the 2013 Growth API at the school, LEA, and state level.

	2013 Growth API					
Group	School		District		State	
	# of Students	Growth API	# of Students	Growth API	# of Students	Growth API
All Students at the School	475	849	8,818	807	4,655,989	790
Black or African American	13	793	315	718	296,463	708
American Indian or Alaska Native	6		151	747	30,394	743
Asian	15	828	547	786	406,527	906
Filipino	1		62	890	121,054	867
Hispanic or Latino	66	736	1,947	738	2,438,951	744
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2		57	785	25,351	774
White	372	872	5,550	839	1,200,127	853
Two or More Races	0		107	756	125,025	824
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	169	780	4,561	745	2,774,640	743
English Learners	38	715	1,232	684	1,482,316	721
Students with Disabilities	45	655	1,063	626	527,476	615

Adequate Yearly Progress

The federal ESEA 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)

For detailed information about AYP, including participation rates and percent proficient results by student group, see the CDE AYP Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/.

Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2012-13)

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

Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2013-14)

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. For detailed information about PI identification, see the CDE PI Status Determinations Web page: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/tidetermine.asp.

Indicator	School	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 Improvement		11
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement		91.7

V. School Climate

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2012-13)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	92
Grade 1	92
Grade 2	121
Grade 3	86
Grade 4	107
Grade 5	73
Grade 6	103
Total Enrollment	674

Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2012-13)

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment	Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	2.1	White	77.7
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.9	Two or More Races	0.4
Asian	3.6	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	33.7
Filipino	0.1	English Learners	9.1
Hispanic or Latino	14.5	Students with Disabilities	6.8
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.3		

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

		201	0-11			2011-12			2012-13			
Grade	Avg.	Numb	er of Class	rooms	Avg.	Numb	er of Class	rooms	Avg.	Numb	er of Class	rooms
Level	Class Size	1-20	21-32	33+	Class Size	1-20	21-32	33+	Class Size	1-20	21-32	33+
К	28.8	0	4	0	25.5	1	3	0	23		4	
1	30.8	0	4	0	29.4	0	5	0	23		4	
2	30	0	3	0	30.3	0	3	0	30		4	
3	28.7	0	3	0	30	0	4	0	29		3	
4	32.5	0	2	2	26.7	0	3	0	27	1	3	
5	30.7	0	3	0	35.7	0	0	3	24	1	2	
6	24.5	1	2	1	32.3	0	1	2	34			3
Other												

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

School Safety Plan (School Year 2012-13)

This section provides information about the school's comprehensive safety plan, including the dates on which the safety plan was last reviewed, updated, and discussed with faculty; as well as a brief description of the key elements of the plan.

The School Safety plan is updated annually in accordance with Senate Bill 187. The key elements of the plan include: traumatic incidents; imminent danger procedure (Code Red); evacuation/relocation procedure; civil defense/disorder; bomb threat/bomb emergency; earthquake; chemical spill; crime in progress; and fire/explosion.

Suspensions and Expulsions

D-A-		School		District			
Rate	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	
Suspensions	0.59	0	0.72	8.95	4.57	5.77	
Expulsions	0	0	0	0.59	0.62	0.67	

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

VI. School Facilities

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (School Year 2013-14)

This section provides information from the most recent Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) data (or equivalent), including:

- Description of the safety, cleanliness, and adequacy of the school facility
- Description of any planned or recently completed facility improvements
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair

Webster School, a one-room schoolhouse, existed on this site from 1867 to 1924. Shasta Union School was built near the current site and existed from 1924 to 1969. The cafeteria building was the first building on our current site. Shasta School was built in 1963, with two additional classroom buildings added in 1972 and 1976. Several relocatable classrooms have been added over the years. Currently there are 20 regular classrooms, a Fine Arts Room, a Learning Center, Communication Handicapped Special Day classroom, and a School Library. The staff room is small. Every available space is used for auxiliary services such as counseling, tutoring, PIP and other special programs. On prep days teachers are allowed to work off campus because there is no available space on campus. Playground space is limited. The development of Degarmo Park is a welcome addition to Shasta School. Students may arrive no earlier than 7:45 a.m. Supervision is provided for students in the multipurpose room where breakfast is available. Students must be picked up after school by 2:50 p.m. Supervision is provided until that time. The Chico Area Recreation District (CARD) provides an after-school program that runs until 6:00 p.m. Students who leave the campus before the end of the school day must sign out in the office by a person on the OFFICIAL EMERGENCY CARD; identification may be required. The principal, custodian, noon supervisors and office staff carry a short-wave radio at all times. In addition, the principal carries a cell phone. All classrooms have telephones, television, and intercom. We also have closed circuit TV programming capability. Visitors to our campus must first come to the office and SIGN IN. A visitor will be given a VISITOR BADGE or PASS. Volunteers must fill out proper paperwork at the beginning of every year to work in classrooms or drive on field trips. The district takes great efforts to ensure that all schools are clean, safe, and functional. District and site maintenance staff ensure that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed. A work order process is used to ensure efficient service and that emergency repairs are given the highest priority. Each year our PTO has paid for a number of improvements including, but not limited to, new carpeting, walls and drapes for our classrooms. In addition, through a grant titled "Leaf It To Us" several trees have been added to our site. The principal works daily with the custodial staff to develop cleaning schedules to ensure a clean and safe school.

School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2013-14)

This section provides information from the most recent Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) data (or equivalent), including:

- Determination of repair status for systems listed
- Description of any needed maintenance to ensure good repair
- The year and month in which the data were collected
- The Overall Rating

School Facility Good Repair Status (School Year 2013-14) Year and month in which data were collected: October 2013							
System Inspected	R	epair Statu	ıs	Repair Needed and			
System Inspected	Good	Fair	Poor	Action Taken or Planned			
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	[X]	[]	[]				
Interior: Interior Surfaces	[]	[]	[X]	Replace Missing Base Cover in MPR. WO# 52082 Repair/Replace Stained Ceiling Tile, Rooms 3/7/8. WO# 52054			
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	[X]	[]	[]				
Electrical: Electrical	[]	[X]	[]	Replace Broken Light Cover, Room 10. WO# 52086 Replace Missing Cover on J Box Outside, Room 24. WO# 52086			
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	[X]	[]	[]				
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	[X]	[]	[]				
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	[X]	[]	[]	Repair Ramps on Rooms 16/17. WO# 52083			
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	[X]	[]	[]				

Overall Facility Rate

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Overall Rating	[]	[X]	[]	[]

VII. Teachers

Teacher Credentials

T		District		
Teachers	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2012-13
With Full Credential	27	28	29	599
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	2
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
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.

Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2012-13)

The federal ESEA, also known as NCLB, requires that core academic subjects be taught by Highly Qualified Teachers, defined as having at least a bachelor's degree, an appropriate California teaching credential, and demonstrated core academic subject area competence. For more information, see the CDE Improving Teacher and Principal Quality Web page at www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq/.

	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects				
Location of Classes	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers			
This School	100.0	0.0			
All Schools in District	96.1	3.9			
High-Poverty Schools in District	95.2	4.8			
Low-Poverty Schools in District	97.9	2.1			

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.

VIII. Support Staff

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2012-13)

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor		
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)		
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)		
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)		
Psychologist	0.26	
Social Worker		
Nurse	0.2	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	0.8	
Resource Specialist		
Other		

Note: 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.

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

IX. Curriculum and Instructional Materials

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2013-14)

This section describes whether the textbooks and instructional materials used at the school are from the most recent adoption; whether there are sufficient textbooks and instruction materials for each student; and information about the school's use of any supplemental curriculum or non-adopted textbooks or instructional materials.

Year and month in which data were collected: October 2012

Updated and readily available resources are important if students are to perform at their best in class. The State of California adopts textbooks that meet quality standards established by the State Board of Education. The Chico Unified School District selects textbooks and other instructional materials from these state adoptions. All of the textbooks currently in use meet these standards. They were selected to match the needs of Chico students by a Task Force comprised of teachers and administrators and approved by the Board of Education. The CUSD convenes curricular task forces to review textbooks in core subject areas on the Kindergarten through 8th grade state adopted list concurrent with the adoption cycle.

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	McMillan/McGraw-Hill - CA Treasures - 2010	Yes	0
Mathematics	McGraw Hill/Wright Group / Everyday Math - 2009	Yes	0
Science	K-5: McMillan/McGraw Hill / California Science - 2007 6-8: Prentice Hall / Focus on California Science - 2007	Yes	0
History-Social Science	Harcourt / Reflections - 2006	Yes	0
Foreign Language	Meets State Guidelines		0
Health	Meets State Guidelines		0
Visual and Performing Arts	Meets State Guidelines		0

X. School Finances

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2011-12)

		Average		
Level	Total	Supplemental/ Restricted	Basic/ Unrestricted	Teacher Salary
School Site	\$8,067.85	\$2,628.02	\$5,439.83	\$64,101.00
District			\$5,648.82	\$63,409
Percent Difference: School Site and District			-3.7	1.1
State			\$5,537	\$68,841
Percent Difference: School Site and State			-1.8	-6.9

Supplemental/Restricted expenditures come from money whose use is controlled by law or by a donor. Money that is designated for specific purposes by the district or governing board is not considered restricted.

Basic/Unrestricted expenditures are from money whose use, except for general guidelines, is not controlled by law or by a donor.

For detailed information on school expenditures for all districts in California, see the CDE Current Expense of Education & Per-pupil Spending Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/. For information on teacher salaries for all districts in California, see the CDE Certificated Salaries & Benefits Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/. To look up expenditures and salaries for a specific school district, see the Ed-Data Web site at: http://www.ed-data.org.

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2012-13)

This section provides specific information about the types of programs and services available at the school that support and assist students. For example, this narrative may include information about supplemental educational services related to the school's federal Program Improvement (PI) status.

Shasta receives the following funding:

- **Economic Impact Aid/Limited English Proficient (EIA/LEP)** funds to support programs and activities to assist English learners achieve proficiency in the English language as rapidly as practicable and to support programs and activities to improve the academic achievement of English learners.
- **Economic Impact Aid/State Compensatory Education (EIA/SCE)** funds to support programs and activities designed to assist educationally disadvantaged students achieve state standard proficiency.
- **Safe Schools** funds to provide training, resources, and technical assistance to establish a school/community environment which is physically and emotionally safe, well-disciplined, and conducive to learning.
- Title II federal funds to provide ongoing staff development for teachers and principals.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2011-12)

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$38,121	\$40,933
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$53,164	\$65,087
Highest Teacher Salary	\$84,737	\$84,436
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$89,920	\$106,715
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$97,238	\$111,205
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$102,804	\$120,506
Superintendent Salary	\$164,900	\$207,812
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	39.8%	39.8%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	4.5%	5.1%

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

XI. Instructional Planning and Scheduling

Professional Development

This section provides information on the number of days provided for professional development and continuous professional growth in the most recent three year period. Questions that may be answered include:

- What are the primary/major areas of focus for staff development and specifically how were they selected? For example, were student achievement data used to determine the need for professional development in reading instruction?
- What are the methods by which professional development is delivered (e.g., after school workshops, conference attendance, individual mentoring, etc.)?
- How are teachers supported during implementation (e.g., through in-class coaching, teacher-principal meetings, student performance, and data reporting, etc.)?

Many teachers attend workshops or conferences to meet identified individual needs. Regularly scheduled staff meetings provide additional opportunities for training and collaboration. A focus this year is the pending implementation of the Common Core standards. Numerous teachers have used the district math and ELA coaches to implement the new curricular pieces in those subject areas. Another large percentage of our staff development revolves around the new Illuminate student data program - the teachers are learning to use the system to get a better idea of their individual student's strengths and areas for growth.