

KIPP Scholar Academy

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School Description

KIPP Scholar Academy is a tuition-free public charter middle school that opened in summer 2012 in South Los Angeles. KIPP Scholar Academy serves 392 fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade students in 2019-2020.

KIPP Scholar Academy's mission is to develop students into scholars who possess the academic, intellectual, and social skills to succeed in high school, thrive in college, and positively impact our world.

KIPP Scholar Academy is part of the national KIPP (Knowledge Is Power Program) network of schools. We are operated by KIPP SoCal Public Schools, a charter school management organization.

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.

2018-19 Student Enrollment by Grade Level

Grade Level	Number of Students
Grade 5	106
Grade 6	88
Grade 7	101
Grade 8	89
Total Enrollment	384

2018-19 Student Enrollment by Group

Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	47.1
Hispanic or Latino	48.7
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	91.9
English Learners	13
Students with Disabilities	14.3
Homeless	1

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 for KIPP Scholar Academy	17-18	18-19	19-20
With Full Credential	20	19	15
Without Full Credential	9	8	6
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0

Teacher Credentials for Los Angeles Unified	17-18	18-19	19-20
With Full Credential	♦	♦	21054
Without Full Credential	♦	♦	783
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence	♦	♦	1103

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions at KIPP Scholar Academy

Indicator	17-18	18-19	19-20
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 2019-20)

Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Year and month in which data were collected: August 2019

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/Year of Adoption
Reading/Language Arts	<p>KIPP Wheatley CommonLit NewsELA Novel based study and curriculum EL Education</p> <p>The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0.0 %</p>
Mathematics	<p>Illustrative Mathematics (Open Up Resources) The Math Learning Center-Bridges curriculum</p> <p>The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0.0 %</p>
Science	<p>Amplify Science Curriculum</p> <p>The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0.0 %</p>
History-Social Science	<p>Teacher designed curriculum for Common Core standards</p> <p>The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0.0 %</p>
Health	<p>Teacher designed curriculum for California Physical Education Standards</p> <p>The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0.0 %</p>

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/Year of Adoption
Visual and Performing Arts	Foundation for Superior Performance by Neil A. Kjos Music Company Publisher
	Comprehensive Band Method by Neil A. Kjos Music Company Publisher
	The textbooks listed are from most recent adoption: Yes Percent of students lacking their own assigned textbook: 0.0 %

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

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

The KIPP Scholar Academy campus is inspected monthly for safety and cleanliness. At this time we are not planning any facility improvements. All systems are in proper working order and the facilities are well maintained.

School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

Year and month in which data were collected: December 2019

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	Good	
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Fair	The roofs are scheduled for routine preventive maintenance to ensure proper drainage.
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	Windows/Door/Gates/Fences throughout the school are scheduled for regular maintenance to ensure proper function.
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

CAASPP Test Results in ELA and Mathematics for All Students

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 17-18	School 18-19	District 17-18	District 18-19	State 17-18	State 18-19
ELA	46	47	43	45	50	50
Math	29	37	32	34	38	39

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.

School Year 2018-19 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	371	369	99.46	47.15
Male	203	202	99.51	40.10
Female	168	167	99.40	55.69
Black or African American	176	174	98.86	43.10
Hispanic or Latino	180	180	100.00	50.56
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	342	340	99.42	45.59
English Learners	92	92	100.00	35.87
Students with Disabilities	52	50	96.15	20.00
Homeless	--	--	--	--

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.

CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students

Grades Five, Eight, and Ten

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 17-18	School 18-19	District 17-18	District 18-19	State 17-18	State 18-19
Science	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: This is a placeholder for the California Science Test (CAST) which was administered operationally during the 2018-19 school year. However, these data are not available for inclusion in the 2018-19 SARC posting due February 1, 2020. These data will be included in the 2019-20 SARC posting due February 1, 2021.

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

School Year 2018-19 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	371	369	99.46	36.96
Male	203	202	99.51	38.31
Female	168	167	99.40	35.33
Black or African American	176	174	98.86	30.46
Hispanic or Latino	180	180	100.00	42.22
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	342	340	99.42	36.87
English Learners	92	92	100.00	30.43
Students with Disabilities	52	50	96.15	12.00
Homeless	--	--	--	--

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.

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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 2019-20)

KIPP Scholar Academy is committed to involving parents in their child's learning. Parents are encouraged to attend regular Parent Action Committee meetings, family activity nights, parent conferences, as well as regularly volunteer at KIPP Scholar Academy. We offer opportunities for parents to join in the planning and execution of school activities such as the Winter Concert, fundraising events, Spring Festival, and more. They often have the opportunity to take the lead with these projects and help plan the events from the ground up. Parents can also volunteer in their child's classroom, office, during morning drop-off, and many other times throughout the day. Parent volunteer opportunities are announced through our monthly family newsletter and through notices sent home to families.

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

At KIPP Scholar Academy the safety and security of our students and staff is our highest priority. The current safety plan was revised and reviewed on October 11, 2019. All staff members receive training in a variety of emergency scenarios and use practice drills conducted every month to ensure that all students and staff are prepared in the event of an emergency or natural disaster. The school site operations team also goes through a regional focusing session at the beginning of each year to make sure that the safety plan is ready to be executed throughout the school year. KIPP Scholar Academy also participates in The Great California Shake Out and practices initiating our Incident Command System on a yearly basis.

Suspensions and Expulsions for the School	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Suspensions Rate	3.0	2.3	2.2
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0

Suspensions and Expulsions for the District	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Suspensions Rate	0.8	0.8	0.7
Expulsions Rate	0.0	0.0	0.0

Suspensions and Expulsions for the State	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Suspensions Rate	3.6	3.5	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.

Ratio of Academic Counselors to Pupils (School Year 2018-19)

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselor*	192.0

* 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.

Student Support Services Staff (School Year 2018-19)

Title	Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	2.0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	.3
Social Worker	
Nurse	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	2.7
Other	1.1

* 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 Level	2016-17 Average Class Size	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 1-20	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 21-32	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 33+	2017-18 Average Class Size	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 1-20	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 21-32	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 33+	2018-19 Average Class Size	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 1-20	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 21-32	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 33+
5	22	1	27		23		28		26	1	20	
6	28		28		25	3	28		21	5	25	
Other**									26		7	

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

** "Other" category is for multi-grade level classes.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Secondary)

Subject	2016-17 Average Class Size	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 1-22	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 23-32	2016-17 # of Classes* Size 33+	2017-18 Average Class Size	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 1-22	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 23-32	2017-18 # of Classes* Size 33+	2018-19 Average Class Size	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 1-22	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 23-32	2018-19 # of Classes* Size 33+
English	26	1	7		22	4	5		19	5	5	
Mathematics	26		8		20	6	4		17	6	5	
Science	26		8		25	2	6		24	2	6	
Social Science	27		8		18	5	6		19	6	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.

Professional Development provided for Teachers

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	27	26	44

KIPP Scholar Academy's staff holds professional development-focused meetings one afternoon every week. During these meetings, several topics are discussed, including: student academic performance on Skills Assessments, analysis of school culture for each grade level and content area, data analysis, best practices, school culture and vision analysis. Teachers and staff also visit schools that exemplify excellence, and participate in team-building professional development opportunities continuously throughout the year.

FY 2017-18 Teacher and Administrative Salaries

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$43,913	\$48,612
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$70,141	\$74,676
Highest Teacher Salary	\$87,085	\$99,791
Average Principal Salary (ES)	\$117,494	\$125,830
Average Principal Salary (MS)	\$132,291	\$131,167
Average Principal Salary (HS)	\$135,145	\$144,822
Superintendent Salary	\$350,000	\$275,796

Percent of District Budget	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Teacher Salaries	30%	34%
Administrative Salaries	5%	5%

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

FY 2017-18 Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries

Level	Total	Restricted	Unrestricted	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	\$14,595	\$3,755	\$10,839	\$63,234
District	N/A	N/A	\$7,424	\$75094.0
State	N/A	N/A	\$7125.0	\$80764.0

Percent Differences	Unrestricted	Average Teacher Salary
School Site/District	37.4	-17.1
School Site/ State	41.3	-24.3

Note: Cells with N/A values 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.

Types of Services Funded

KIPP Scholar Academy offers an ASES funded afterschool program to assist and support our students. The goal of our program is to continue the support students are receiving during the regular school day in a safe constructive environment during after school hours. Our program provides literacy and enrichment activities for 140 students, grades 5th to 8th. Every student in our program participates in a daily literacy and enrichment component. Our literacy programs provide tutoring and homework help in the core areas of reading, language arts, mathematics, and science. Students use software to make sure they are reading and completing math at their individual levels. Students participate in at least 1 hour daily in a literacy element. Our educational enrichment programs align with the school's academic program and include, but are not limited to, recreation and prevention activities such as football and cheerleading, youth development strategies like performing arts, music, and dance. Other enrichment activities are implemented based on the students' needs and interests.

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.