

# Louise Van Meter Elementary School

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## Principal's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our students, staff, and community members back to Louise Van Meter Elementary School for the upcoming 2014-15 school year. The mission of Van Meter Elementary School is to prepare each student to be successful in school and in life. This is accomplished by providing our students with a safe and positive environment that supports their learning. Through high expectations for behavior and academics, we will guide students as they acquire the knowledge, skills, and attitudes that foster an enjoyment of learning as well as a respect for themselves and others. Van Meter School is a great place for children to grow and develop as they progress from kindergarten through fifth grade. The staff at Van Meter is an extremely caring and motivated, and it continually challenges the students to be at their best each and every day. We are continually changing to meet the needs of all of our learners as well as the needs of the world around us. Congratulations to the Van Meter staff and community on being recognized as a 2014 California Distinguished School. Go Bulldogs!

Rick Rauscher, Principal

## School Mission Statement

Our mission is to cultivate well-rounded, compassionate, and productive lifelong learners through collaboration with students, parents, and community.

- All decisions support students' academic achievement.
- We are all responsible for all students.
- All students are being served in a variety of ways to meet their needs.
- Students apply skills and understand relevance to real life situations.
- Collaboration is systemic, enthusiastic, expected and sought
- Consistency is evidenced in our programs and actions.
- The entire school community demonstrates respect and compassion.

## Parental Involvement

Parents are a very active and integral part of the Van Meter School community. Our Home and School Club raises funds for art, technology, and PE programs; cultural assemblies; teacher supplies and grants; a health aide; and library materials. Parents help out in the classrooms, the library, with computers, and with Fun and Field Day. They drive on field trips; organize science fairs, community read-ins, fundraisers, and book fairs; and maintain our Home & School Club website. Our Parents on Campus program assists with noontime supervision. The Van Meter Dad's Club helps around school with projects such as mounting wall tiles, painting picnic tables, barbecuing, and installing bricks. Parents support the growth of developmental assets through our ABC Parent Reader Program.

For more information on how to become involved, check the Home & School Club website at [www.vanmeterhsc.org](http://www.vanmeterhsc.org), or contact Home & School Club President Elif Starr at [elif.starr@vanmeterhsc.org](mailto:elif.starr@vanmeterhsc.org).

## Professional Development

Van Meter teachers participate in districtwide training during three staff-development days each year. Teachers received training on the Common Core standards with emphasis on building yearlong contexts and unit maps in ELA and math.

During faculty meetings, tech tips are shared with teachers to increase their proficiency and productivity with technology.

Teachers also meet in grade levels to collaborate for planning instruction and assessment, develop common formative assessments, and to use assessment to guide instruction. Grade-level goals are reviewed quarterly to support student achievement.

For the most recent three-year period, we dedicated three days each year to staff and professional development.

## Los Gatos Union Elementary School District

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## District Mission Statement

Los Gatos Union School District educates all children to their unique potential by teaching, modeling, and supporting the skills and attitudes that contribute to their development as globally and socially responsible citizens.



## District Vision Statement

All students know their individual learning styles and talents, think creatively and critically, act responsibly, communicate effectively, and apply knowledge in a diverse and ever-changing world.

## Governing Board

Leigh-Anne Marcellin, *President*

Scott Broomfield, *Clerk*

Emi Eto, *Member*

Peter Noymer, *Member*

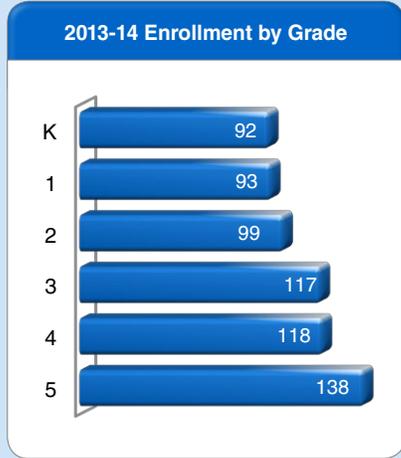
Alex Potts, *Member*

## 2013-14 School Accountability Report Card — Published during the 2014-15 school year

In accordance with state and federal requirements, the School Accountability Report Card (SARC) is put forth annually by all public schools as a tool for parents and interested parties to stay informed of the school's progress, test scores and achievements.

### Enrollment by Grade Level

The bar graph displays the total number of students enrolled in each grade for the 2013-14 school year.



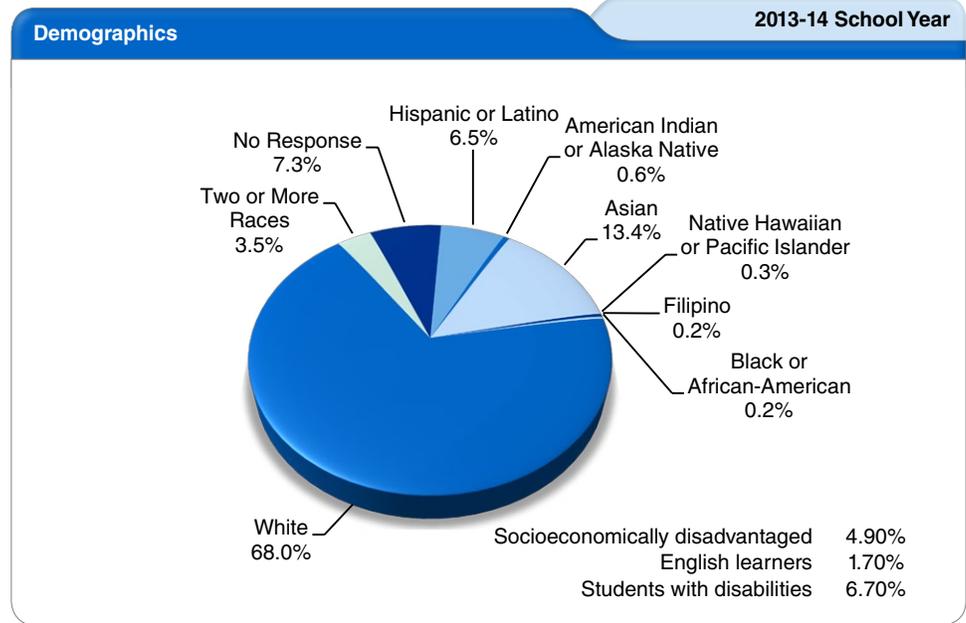
### Suspensions and Expulsions

This table shows the school, district, and state suspension and expulsion rates for the most recent three-year period. Note: Students are only counted one time, regardless of the number of suspensions.

Suspension and Expulsion Rates			
Van Meter ES			
	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspension rates	1.2%	1.0%	0.3%
Expulsion rates	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Los Gatos Union ESD			
	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspension rates	1.2%	1.0%	1.3%
Expulsion rates	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
California			
	11-12	12-13	13-14
Suspension rates	◇	◇	◇
Expulsion rates	◇	◇	◇

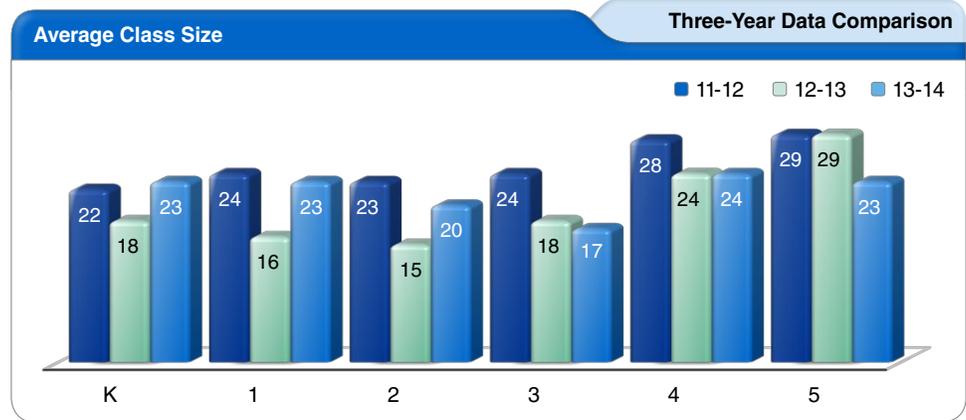
### Enrollment by Student Group

The total enrollment at the school was 657 students for the 2013-14 school year. The pie chart displays the percentage of students enrolled in each group.



### Class Size Distribution

The bar graph displays the three-year data for average class size, and the table displays the three-year data for the number of classrooms by size.



		Three-Year Data Comparison								
		2011-12			2012-13			2013-14		
Grade	Number of Classrooms	Number of Students								
		1-22	23-32	33+	1-22	23-32	33+	1-22	23-32	33+
K	1	3			1	4			4	
1	1	4			2	4			4	
2	2	4			3	4		1	4	
3	2	7			2	4		2	5	
4		3			1	5		1	4	
5		4				4		1	5	

◇ At the time this report was published, California suspension and expulsion results were not available.

### California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Results: Science (grades 5, 8 and 10)

The tables show the percentage of students in grades 5, 8 and 10 who scored at Proficient or Advanced levels (meeting or exceeding state standards) in science.

Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced Levels	Three-Year Data Comparison								
	Van Meter ES			Los Gatos Union ESD			California		
Subject	11-12	12-13	13-14	11-12	12-13	13-14	11-12	12-13	13-14
Science	93%	91%	95%	92%	90%	88%	60%	59%	60%

### California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Results by Student Group: Science (grades 5, 8 and 10)

Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced Levels	Spring 2014 Results
Group	Science
All students in the district	88%
All students at the school	95%
Male	99%
Female	90%
Black or African-American	❖
American Indian or Alaska Native	❖
Asian	100%
Filipino	❖
Hispanic or Latino	91%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	❖
White	95%
Two or more races	❖
Socioeconomically disadvantaged	❖
English learners	❖
Students with disabilities	❖
Students receiving Migrant Education services	❖

### Standardized Testing and Reporting Results for All Students

The table below shows the percentage of students who scored at Proficient or Advanced levels (meeting or exceeding state standards) in English language arts and mathematics. Because of the new CAASPP field-testing in the spring of 2014, there are no scores to be reported. The last available scores under the STAR Program are shown.

Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced Levels	Three-Year Data Comparison								
	Van Meter ES			Los Gatos Union ESD			California		
Subject	10-11	11-12	12-13	10-11	11-12	12-13	10-11	11-12	12-13
English language arts	87%	88%	85%	86%	87%	85%	54%	56%	55%
Mathematics	89%	89%	88%	82%	82%	81%	49%	50%	50%

❖ Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is 10 or less, either because the number of students tested in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

### California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress/Standardized Testing and Reporting Results

Beginning in the 2013-14 school year, the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program was eliminated and replaced by a new set of assessments called the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

Because of the state's adoption of the Common Core State Standards and implementation of a new student-testing system, limited data is available to report in the SARC.

For the 2013-14 school year, the CAASPP included the Smarter Balanced Assessments, alternate, science, and other optional assessments.

In the spring of 2014, California began field-testing the Smarter Balanced Assessments in English language arts and mathematics. These tests were not officially scored, so there is no data to report.

The science assessments of CAASPP included the California Standards Test (CST), California Modified Assessment (CMA) and California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA), similar to the STAR Program. Therefore it is acceptable to make comparisons to previous year results.

The CST is a multiple-choice test in science for varying grade levels. The CMA is a modified assessment for students with disabilities who have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP). The CAPA is an alternate assessment for students with significant cognitive disabilities who are unable to take the CST with accommodations or modifications, or the CMA with accommodations.

For more information on the CAASPP assessments, please visit [www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca).



## Academic Performance Index

The Academic Performance Index (API) is a numeric rating system that reflects a school and district's performance level based on the results of annual statewide student assessments. It is used to measure the academic performance and progress of the schools within California. Individual outcomes are converted to points on the API scale and then averaged across all students and all tests, resulting in a single number, or API score, measured on a scale from 200 to 1,000. This score reflects the school, district or a student group's performance level based on the results of statewide testing. The state has set an API score of 800 as the statewide target.

With a complete change of the K-12 education system, the State Board of Education temporarily suspended API. No API scores or ranks will be calculated for the next two years, as California continues the transition to the new Common Core State Standards and California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress.

To learn more about API, please visit [www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap) for the API information guide and [www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ar/aprfaq.asp](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ar/aprfaq.asp) for information on the changes to API.

## API Ranks

Schools are ranked in 10 categories of equal size, called deciles, from 1 (lowest) to 10 (highest) based on their API Base reports. A school's "statewide API rank" compares its API to the APIs of all other schools statewide of the same type (elementary, middle or high school). A "similar schools API rank" reflects how a school compares to 100 statistically matched similar schools. This table shows the school's three-year data for statewide API rank and similar schools' API rank.

API Ranks			
Three-Year Data Comparison			
	2011	2012	2013
<b>Statewide API Rank</b>	10	10	10
<b>Similar Schools API Rank</b>	5	3	4

## API Growth by Student Group

Assessment data is reported only for numerically significant groups. To be considered numerically significant for the API, the group must have either: at least 50 students with valid STAR scores who make up at least 15 percent of the total valid STAR scores, or at least 100 students with valid STAR scores. This table displays, by student group, first, the 2013 Growth API at the school, district and state level followed by the actual API change in points added or lost for the past three years at the school.

API Growth by Student Group				2013 Growth API and Three-Year Data Comparison		
Group	2013 Growth API			Van Meter ES – Actual API Change		
	Van Meter ES	Los Gatos Union ESD	California	10-11	11-12	12-13
<b>All students</b>	935	929	790	7	10	-11
<b>Black or African-American</b>	❖	918	707	■	■	■
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native</b>	❖	923	742	■	■	■
<b>Asian</b>	956	967	906	■	■	■
<b>Filipino</b>	❖	❖	867	■	■	■
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	861	843	743	■	■	■
<b>Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander</b>	❖	❖	773	■	■	■
<b>White</b>	940	929	852	0	11	-8
<b>Two or more races</b>	953	970	845	■	■	■
<b>Socioeconomically disadvantaged</b>	767	737	742	■	■	■
<b>English learners</b>	868	850	717	■	■	■
<b>Students with disabilities</b>	794	717	616	■	■	■

❖ Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is 10 or less, either because the number of students tested in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

■ Data are reported only for numerically significant groups.

### Adequate Yearly Progress

The federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) requires all schools and districts meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) requirements. Because California is changing the assessments and the accountability system it uses to evaluate school performance, the U.S. Department of Education has approved a waiver to allow California not to make Adequate Yearly Progress determinations for elementary and middle schools. They will receive the same AYP determinations as in 2013.

High schools will not be affected by this waiver and will continue to receive AYP determinations because they are based on California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) results and graduation rates.

For more information on Adequate Yearly Progress, please visit [www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay).

Adequate Yearly Progress Criteria		2013-14 School Year	
	Van Meter ES	Los Gatos Union ESD	
<b>Met overall AYP</b>	**	**	
<b>Met participation rate</b>			
English language arts	**	**	
Mathematics	**	**	
<b>Met percent proficient</b>			
English language arts	**	**	
Mathematics	**	**	
<b>Met graduation rate</b>	x	x	

### Federal Intervention Program

Schools and districts receiving Title I funding that fail to meet AYP over two consecutive years in the same content area (English language arts or mathematics) or on the same indicator (API or graduation rate) enter into Program Improvement (PI). Each additional year that the district or school(s) do not meet AYP results in advancement to the next level of intervention. The percent of schools identified for Program Improvement is calculated by taking the number of schools currently in PI within the district and dividing it by the total number of Title I schools within the district.

Due to the waiver that allows California to use the same AYP determinations as 2013, no new schools will enter or exit Program Improvement, and current PI schools will not advance a year in their PI status. This table displays the 2014-15 PI status for the school and district. For detailed information about PI identification, please visit [www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/tidetermine.asp](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/tidetermine.asp).

Federal Intervention Program		2014-15 School Year	
	Van Meter ES	Los Gatos Union ESD	
<b>Program Improvement status</b>	Not Title I	Not Title I	
<b>First year of Program Improvement</b>	◇	◇	
<b>Year in Program Improvement*</b>	◇	◇	
<b>Number of schools identified for Program Improvement</b>		0	
<b>Percent of schools identified for Program Improvement</b>		0.00%	

\*\* For 2014, only high schools and high school local educational agencies (LEAs) that enrolled students in grades nine, ten, eleven, and/or twelve on Fall Census Day in October 2013 will receive an AYP Report. Because students in grades three through eight participated in the Smarter Balanced Field Test during the 2013-14 academic year, the U.S. Department of Education approved a determination waiver for California which exempts elementary schools, middle schools, elementary school districts, and unified school districts from receiving a 2014 AYP Report.

x Not applicable. The graduation rate for AYP criteria applies to high schools.

\* DW (determination waiver) indicates that the PI status of the school was carried over from the prior year in accordance with the flexibility granted through the federal waiver process.

◇ Not applicable.



### California Physical Fitness Test

Each spring, all students in grades 5, 7 and 9 are required to participate in the California Physical Fitness Test (PFT). The *Fitnessgram*® is the designated PFT for students in California public schools put forth by the State Board of Education. The PFT measures six key fitness areas:

1. Aerobic Capacity
2. Body Composition
3. Flexibility
4. Abdominal Strength and Endurance
5. Upper Body Strength and Endurance
6. Trunk Extensor Strength and Flexibility

Encouraging and assisting students in establishing lifelong habits of regular physical activity is the primary goal of the *Fitnessgram*®. The table shows the percentage of students meeting the fitness standards of being in the "healthy fitness zone" for the most recent testing period. For more detailed information on the California PFT, please visit [www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/pf).

Percentage of Students Meeting Fitness Standards	
2013-14 School Year	
Grade 5	
<b>Four of six standards</b>	7.50%
<b>Five of six standards</b>	19.40%
<b>Six of six standards</b>	67.20%

### Currency of Textbook Data

This table displays the date when the textbook and instructional materials information was collected and verified.

Currency of Textbooks	
2014-15 School Year	
Data collection date	09/2014



### Types of Services Funded

Supplemental financial support for our students comes from our Home & School Club, the district's education foundation, state and federal funding including Title I and School Improvement Program funds. These funds are used to supplement our general, early literacy, technology, second language, and P.E. programs, as well as support for students with social, emotional, or academic difficulties. We contract with a local counseling support provider to assist with social and behavioral counseling intervention. We also use supplemental funds for additional staff, teacher training, and support materials.

### Public 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-serve 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 at a workstation, and the ability to print documents.

### Textbooks and Instructional Materials

For more than six years, panels of scholars have decided what California students should learn and be able to do. Their decisions are known as the California Content Standards, and they apply to all public schools in the state. The textbooks we use and the tests we give are based on these content standards, and we expect our teachers to be firmly focused on them. Policy experts, researchers, and educators consider our state's standards to be among the most rigorous and challenging in the nation.

We choose our textbooks from lists that have already been approved by state education officials.

The district has affirmed that each pupil, including English learners, has their own textbook to use in class and to take home.

Textbooks and Instructional Materials List		2014-15 School Year
Subject	Textbook	Adopted
English-Language Arts	Houghton Mifflin (K-5)	2003
Mathematics	<i>My Math</i> , McGraw-Hill	2014
Science	Delta Education; FOSS, California Edition	2008
History-Social Science	Pearson Scott Foresman (K-3)	2007
History-Social Science	Houghton Mifflin (4-5)	2007
English-Language Arts	Houghton Mifflin (K-5)	2003

### Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials

The following lists the percentage of pupils who lack their own assigned textbooks and instructional materials.

Percentage of Students Lacking Materials by Subject		2014-15 School Year
Subject	Percent Lacking	
Van Meter ES		
Reading/Language Arts	0%	
Mathematics	0%	
Science	0%	
History-Social Science	0%	
Visual and Performing Arts	0%	
Foreign Language	0%	
Health	0%	

### Quality of Textbooks

The following table outlines the criteria required for choosing textbooks and instructional materials.

Quality of Textbooks		2014-15 School Year
Criteria	Yes/No	
Are the textbooks adopted from the most recent state-approved or local governing board-approved list?	Yes	
Are the textbooks consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the State Board of Education?	Yes	
Do all students, including English learners, have access to their own textbooks and instructional materials to use in class and to take home?	Yes	

### School Facility Items Inspected

The tables show the results of the school’s most recent inspection using the Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) or equivalent school form. The following is a list of items inspected.

- **Systems:** Gas systems and pipes, sewer, mechanical systems (heating, ventilation and air-conditioning)
- **Interior:** Interior surfaces (floors, ceilings, walls and window casings)
- **Cleanliness:** Pest and vermin control, overall cleanliness (school grounds, buildings, rooms and common areas)
- **Electrical:** Electrical systems (interior and exterior)
- **Restrooms/fountains:** Restrooms, sinks/drinking fountains (interior and exterior)
- **Safety:** Fire-safety equipment, emergency systems, hazardous materials (interior and exterior)
- **Structural:** Structural damage, roofs
- **External:** Windows, doors, gates, fences, playgrounds, school grounds

### School Facility Good Repair Status

This inspection determines the school facility’s good repair status using ratings of good condition, fair condition or poor condition. The overall summary of facility conditions uses ratings of exemplary, good, fair or poor.

School Facility Good Repair Status		2014-15 School Year	
Items Inspected	Repair Status	Items Inspected	Repair Status
Systems	Good	Restrooms/fountains	Good
Interior	Good	Safety	Good
Cleanliness	Good	Structural	Good
Electrical	Fair	External	Good
Overall summary of facility conditions			Good
Date of the most recent school site inspection			10/29/2014
Date of the most recent completion of the inspection form			10/29/2014

### Deficiencies and Repairs

The table lists the repairs required for all deficiencies found during the site inspection. Regardless of each item’s repair status, all deficiencies are listed.

Deficiencies and Repairs		2014-15 School Year
Items Inspected	Deficiencies, Action Taken or Planned, and Date of Action	
Electrical	Replaced exterior lights in Building 2; replacement lights for exterior of Building 5 on order. Completed October, 2014.	

### School Facilities

Louise Van Meter opened in 1949 and was remodeled in 2003, providing a safe, clean, and well-maintained campus for student education.

In addition to modernizing all the classrooms, we added a new cafeteria/multipurpose room and kindergarten complex. Our library was enlarged, and flex rooms were added for science and art. Air conditioning was added to all of our buildings. We purchased new furniture for all rooms and offices. The Home & School Club provided rose trees for the landscaping at the front of our school.

A two-story building opened in August 2012, providing 10 new classrooms and allowing the removal of eight portable buildings from the Van Meter campus.

Maintenance crews perform repairs as soon as item deficiencies are reported to help continue to keep the school in the best possible condition. Louise Van Meter has a custodial staff of one day custodian and two night custodians, which perform cleaning duties on the entire campus on a daily basis. The bathrooms in our school contain 36 toilets, all of which were in good working order when we surveyed the building.

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### School Facilities

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On an average day, 650 students and 50 staff occupy the buildings. Our campus is locked during student hours, and all visitors sign in at our main office. Each visitor is given a name tag. Supervision is provided 15 minutes before school begins. Recesses and lunch times are supervised by teachers, school administration, and parents. Drive-through drop-off areas are also supervised.

Our school librarian works with each class weekly, providing lessons and introducing books. The Van Meter library is completely automated. After our remodeling in 2003, we added new shelving and library furniture. Our Home & School Club funded mural paintings in the library to reflect well-loved literature, and it allocates funds every year to purchase new books and supplies. Our librarian works with teachers to provide resources that support classroom learning. The librarian gathers teachers’ ideas for the purchase of new materials. Our library is open at noon Monday through Thursday so that children can read or play quiet games.

Our fifth graders currently have 1 to 1 accessibility to Google Chromebooks. Third and fourth graders have 1 to 1 accessibility to MacBook Pro computers, and the second grade has 3 to 1 accessibility to iPads.

Technology is an important part of the educational program and environment at Van Meter. Each classroom is equipped with networked computers. Students learn keyboarding skills and the use of such programs as Raz Kids, PowerPoint, iMovie, various search engines, and Microsoft Word.

### School Safety

Our School Safety Plan is updated annually. The School Safety Plan was most recently reviewed, updated, and discussed with school faculty in September 2014. The School Safety Plan addresses recommendations about campus security, character education, and school governance. We align our discipline policies with the California Education Code, and we expect students to meet high standards for behavior. Our staff monitors students before school, after school, and at recess time. Parents volunteering through our Parents on Campus program assist with noontime supervision.



*"The mission of Van Meter Elementary School is to prepare each student to be successful in school and in life."*

### Academic Counselors and School Support Staff

This table displays information about academic counselors and support staff at the school and their full-time equivalent (FTE).

Academic Counselors and School Support Staff Data	
2013-14 School Year	
<b>Academic Counselors</b>	
FTE of academic counselors	0.000
Ratio of students per academic counselor	◇
<b>Support Staff</b>	
	<b>FTE</b>
Social/behavioral or career development counselors	0.260
Library media teacher (librarian)	0.000
Library media services staff (paraprofessional)	0.775
Psychologist	0.500
Social worker	0.000
Nurse	0.220
Speech/language/hearing specialist	1.300
Resource specialist (non-teaching)	1.000

### Teacher Qualifications

This table shows information about teacher credentials and teacher qualifications. Teachers without a full credential include teachers with district and university internships, pre-internships, emergency or other permits, and waivers. For more information on teacher credentials, visit [www.ctc.ca.gov](http://www.ctc.ca.gov).

Teacher Credential Information	Three-Year Data Comparison			
	Los Gatos Union ESD	Van Meter ES		
Teachers	14-15	12-13	13-14	14-15
With full credential	158	35	33	33
Without full credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching outside subject area of competence	0	0	0	0

### Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

This table displays the number of teacher misassignments (positions filled by teachers who lack legal authorization to teach that grade level, subject area, student group, etc.) 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). Please note total teacher misassignments includes the number of teacher misassignments of English learners.

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions	Three-Year Data Comparison		
	Van Meter ES		
Teachers	12-13	13-14	14-15
Teacher misassignments of English learners	0	0	0
Total teacher misassignments	0	0	0
Vacant teacher positions	0	0	0

### Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers

The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) extended ESEA to require 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 competence for each core academic subject area he or she teaches. The table displays data regarding highly qualified teachers from the 2013-14 school year.

High-poverty schools are defined as those schools with student participation of approximately 40 percent or more in the free and reduced priced meals program. Low-poverty schools are those with student participation of approximately 39 percent or less in the free and reduced priced meals program. For more information on teacher qualifications related to NCLB, visit [www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq](http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq).

No Child Left Behind Compliant Teachers	2013-14 School Year	
	Percent of Classes in Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
Van Meter ES	100.00%	0.00%
All schools in district	100.00%	0.00%
High-poverty schools in district	◇	◇
Low-poverty schools in district	100.00%	0.00%

◇ Not applicable.

### Financial Data

The financial data displayed in this SARC is from the 2012-13 fiscal year. The most current fiscal information available provided by the state is always two years behind the current school year, and one year behind most other data included in this report. For detailed information on school expenditures for all districts in California, see the CDE Current Expense of Education & Per-pupil Spending Web page at [www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec](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 [www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs). To look up expenditures and salaries for a specific school district, see the Ed-Data website at [www.ed-data.org](http://www.ed-data.org).

### District Financial Data

This table displays district teacher and administrative salary information and compares the figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size based on the salary schedule. Note the district salary data does not include benefits.

District Salary Data	2012-13 Fiscal Year	
	Los Gatos Union ESD	Similar Sized District
Beginning teacher salary	\$49,895	\$41,535
Midrange teacher salary	\$75,931	\$64,101
Highest teacher salary	\$95,579	\$82,044
Average elementary school principal salary	\$130,930	\$104,336
Average middle school principal salary	\$140,318	\$107,911
Superintendent salary	\$202,800	\$155,309
Teacher salaries — percent of budget	40%	41%
Administrative salaries — percent of budget	6%	6%

### Financial Data Comparison

This table displays the school's per-pupil expenditures from unrestricted sources and the school's average teacher salary and compares it to the district and state data.

Financial Data Comparison	2012-13 Fiscal Year	
	Expenditures Per Pupil From Unrestricted Sources	Annual Average Teacher Salary
Van Meter ES	\$5,403	\$78,857
Los Gatos Union ESD	\$7,058	\$80,063
California	\$4,690	\$67,289
School and district — percent difference	-23.4%	-1.5%
School and California — percent difference	+15.2%	+17.2%

### School Financial Data

The following table displays the school's average teacher salary and a breakdown of the school's expenditures per pupil from unrestricted and restricted sources.

School Financial Data	
2012-13 Fiscal Year	
Total expenditures per pupil	\$6,839
Expenditures per pupil from restricted sources	\$1,437
Expenditures per pupil from unrestricted sources	\$5,403
Annual average teacher salary	\$78,857



### Expenditures Per Pupil

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.



*"Van Meter School is a great place for children to grow and develop as they progress from kindergarten through fifth grade."*

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