



LEFFINGWELL CONTINUATION HIGH SCHOOL

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School Accountability Report Card

Principal's Message

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As you read this report, I think you will find that Leffingwell provides a quality academic program based on real-life activities. As an award winning Model Continuation School, Leffingwell reflects the dedication and talents of its staff in meeting the diverse needs of the students. It provides a safe, secure environment where each student can grow and achieve to the utmost of their abilities. The report reflects a summary of the 2005-2006 school year as well as information about the current year.

Contact Information

Parents or community members who wish to participate in leadership teams, school committees, school activities, or become a volunteer may contact the Leffingwell Cont. High at 805-927-7148.

School Profile

Leffingwell High School is one of 5 schools in the Coast Unified. Curriculum is focused on real-life learning skills and preparation for post-secondary education. The school supports cultural awareness on a daily basis through its diverse literature selections and cultural awareness classes and activities.

Enrollment at Leffingwell during 2006-07 averaged 22 students.

Student Enrollment by Ethnic Group

2006-07

	Percentage
African American	0.0%
American Indian	0.0%
Asian	0.0%
Caucasian	63.6%
Filipino	0.0%
Hispanic	27.3%
Pacific Islander	0.0%
Multiple or No Response	9.1%

Mission Statement

Leffingwell High School is committed to establishing a positive learning environment for its divergent student population, with the competencies and real life needs of each student as the focus.

Parent Involvement

Leffingwell High School greatly benefits from its supportive parents who are in regular contact with the school. Parents are also welcome to join the School Site Council. The school also benefits from several community partnerships, including Friends of the Library, CAN, the Lions Club and many local businesses. The school holds a number of family activities during the year, including the Thanksgiving Meal, Spaghetti Feed, BBQ's and others.

Enrollment By Grade

This chart illustrates the enrollment at CBEDS (October) for three years. Enrollment varies month by month as students enroll and complete graduation requirements.

Enrollment Trend by Grade Level

2004-05 2005-06 2006-07

10th	1	1	
11th	11	4	12
12th	8	9	10

Enrollment By Program

During the 2007/07 school year 23 students were enrolled at Leffingwell High School, of which 17% were students with disabilities, 35% were English Learners, and 21% were socioeconomically disadvantaged.

Class Size

Average class sizes vary by grade level and subject area taught. In addition to credentialed teachers, students receive assistance in the classroom from classroom aides and volunteers. The table indicates the average class size by grade level or subject area, as well as the number of classes offered in reference to their enrollment.

Class Size Distribution

Average Class Size	Classrooms Containing:								
	1-20 Students			21-32 Students			33+ Students		
05 06 07	05 06 07	05 06 07	05 06 07	05 06 07	05 06 07				

Class Size Reduction

In 1996, state legislature approved implementation of the Class Size Reduction (CSR) program that provides funding to hire additional teachers to assist schools in reducing K-3 class sizes. This does not affect Leffingwell High School but classes are kept small to better meet the needs of alternative education students

Safe School Plan

Safety of students and staff is a primary concern of Leffingwell High School. The school is always in compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazardous materials and state earthquake standards. The School Site Safety plan was last reviewed and updated in May of 2007 by the School Safety Committee. All revisions were communicated to the both the classified and certificated staff. The school's disaster preparedness plan includes steps for ensuring student and staff safety during a disaster. Fire and disaster drills are conducted on a regular basis throughout the school year. Lockdown drills are held as needed. Students are supervised before and after school by certificated staff and principal. There is a designated area for student drop off and pick up. Visitors must sign into the office before being allowed on campus.

Discipline & Climate for Learning

Students at Leffingwell High School are guided by specific rules and classroom expectations that promote respect, cooperation, courtesy and acceptance of others. The goal of the Leffingwell discipline program is to provide a safe learning environment for all students. Parents and students are informed of school rules and discipline policies through the Parent/Student enrollment packet, newsletters and parent meetings. The Suspensions and Expulsions table illustrates total cases for the last three years, as well as a percentage of enrollment. Suspensions are expressed in terms of total infractions, not number of students suspended, as some students may have been suspended on multiple occasions. Expulsions occur only when required by law or when all other alternatives are exhausted. Students are encouraged to participate in the school's additional academic and extracurricular activities, which are an integral part of the educational program. These schoolwide and classroom incentives promote positive attitudes, encourage achievement, and aid in the prevention of behavioral problems. Leffingwell recognizes and celebrates the achievements and successes of students and staff on a regular basis. Students are recognized for their achievements during class meetings.

	Suspensions & Expulsions					
	School			District		
	04-05	05-06	06-07	04-05	05-06	06-07
Suspensions	3	2	2	42	31	32
Suspension Rate	15.00%	14.29%	9.09%	4.68%	3.51%	3.71%
Expulsions	0	0	1	1	0	9
Expulsion Rate	0.00%	0.00%	4.55%	0.11%	0.00%	1.04%

School Facilities

Leffingwell High School was established at its current location the 1996-1997 school year and is comprised of 3 classrooms. Cleaning Process: The principal works daily with 1 part-time custodian to ensure that the cleaning of the school is maintained to provide for a clean and safe school. The district governing board has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the district. A summary of these standards are available at the district office for review. Maintenance and Repair District maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and work orders are completed in a timely manner. A work order process is used to ensure efficient service and highest priority are given to emergency repairs. While reviewing this report, please note that even minor discrepancies are reported in the inspection process. The items noted in the table have been corrected or are in the process of remediation. Deferred Maintenance Budget: The district participates in the State School Deferred Maintenance Program, which provides matching funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis, to assist school districts with expenditures for major repair or replacement of existing school building components. Typically this includes roofing, plumbing, heating, electrical systems, interior or exterior painting, and floor systems.

Teacher Assignment

Coast Unified recruits and employs the most qualified credentialed teachers. For the 2006/07 school year, Leffingwell High School had 3 fully credentialed teachers who met all credential requirements in accordance with State of California guidelines. Teacher misassignments reflect the

number of placements within a school for which the certificated employee in the teaching or services position (including positions that involve teaching English Learners) does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential. Teacher vacancies reflect the number of positions to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year. For the 2006/07 school year, the most current data are reported.

	Teacher Credential Status			
	School			District
	04-05	05-06	06-07	06-07
Fully Credentialed	2	2	2	56
Without Full Credentials	0	0	0	0
Working Outside Subject	0	0	0	0

	Misassignments/Vacancies		
	04-05	05-06	06-07
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Misassignments of Teachers (other)	0	0	0
Total Misassignments of Teachers	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

Highly Qualified Teachers

The Federal No Child Left Behind Act requires that all teachers in core subject areas meet certain requirements in order to be considered as "Highly Qualified" no later than the end of the 2006-07 school year. Minimum qualifications include: possession of a Bachelor's Degree, possession of an appropriate California teaching credential, and demonstrated competence in core academic subjects.

	NCLB Compliant Teachers	
	% of Core Academic Courses Taught By NCLB Compliant Teachers	% of Core Academic Courses Taught By Non-NCLB Compliant Teachers
School	100.00%	0.00%
District	99.00%	1.00%
High-Poverty Schools in District	0.00%	0.00%
Low-Poverty Schools in District	0.00%	0.00%

Substitute Teachers

Coast Unified School District has an adequate pool of fully credentialed and qualified substitutes in order to maintain continuity of instruction at Leffingwell High School. Generally, the district does not experience any problems finding qualified substitute teachers. When a substitute teacher is not available for an absent teacher, the Principal assumes the role of substitute or other teachers fill in as necessary.

Teacher Evaluation

A constructive evaluation process promotes quality instruction and is a fundamental element in a sound educational program. Evaluations and formal observations are designed to encourage common goals and to comply with the state's evaluation criteria and district policies. Temporary and probationary teachers are evaluated annually and tenured teachers are evaluated every other year. Evaluations are conducted by the Principal

who has been trained and certified for competency to perform teacher evaluations. Teacher are evaluated on the following criteria: Engaging and Supporting All Students in Learning, Understanding and Organizing Subject Matter for Student Learning, Assessing Student Learning, Creating and Maintaining Effective Environments for Student Learning, Planning Instruction and Designing Learning Experiences for All Students and Developing as a Professional Educator. Coast Unified offers programs to assist teachers, such as Beginning Teacher Support and Training (BTSA) and Peer Assistance and Review (PAR). BTSA is for new, credentialed teachers. Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) is lead by credentialed teachers who help recent California Basic Education Skills Test (CBEST) graduates who have yet to pass a specific subject exam. The PAR mentors also help Emergency Teaching Certificate teachers, as well as any teacher who may have received a poor evaluation from the principal.

Individualized Instruction

Leffingwell High School provides special education services to students who are enrolled. Programs and services designed to meet the student's needs are identified in the Individualized Education Plan (IEP). The Resource Specialist Program serves students with exceptional needs who are able to function in the regular classroom for the majority of the day. All students have an individualized plan that leads to graduation, GED or other academic goal.

At Risk Interventions

Leffingwell High School provides extensive help to students for both academic and personal needs. Students academic levels are assessed at least 3 times a year on a norm-referenced test (NWEA) and an individual learning plan is developed for each. Students meet regularly with an academic counselor and the school also provides individual and group counselling services.

Counseling & Support Staff

It is the goal of Leffingwell High School to assist students in their social and personal development as well as academics. The school gives special attention to students who experience achievement problems, difficulty coping with personal and family problems, trouble with decision making, or handling peer pressure. Leffingwell shares a counselor with the comprehensive high school and employs a part-time personal counselor who provides individual and group counseling. The table lists the support service personnel available at Leffingwell.

Counseling & Support Services Staff		
	Number of Staff	Full Time Equivalent
Counselor	1	0.2

Curriculum Development

All curriculum development in the Coast Unified is based on the California State Content Standards and Frameworks. Curriculum guides are updated regularly by the Principal to align with the state standards, district goals, and the statewide assessment program. During the 2006/07, changes to the curriculum included: Updates to the English, Math and Social Science curriculum.

Instructional Materials

Coast Unified held a Public Hearing on September 14, 2006, and determined that each school within the District has sufficient and good quality textbooks, instructional materials, or science lab equipment pursuant to the settlement of Williams vs. the State of California. All students, including English learners, are given their own individual standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in core subjects for use in the classroom and to take home. Textbooks and supplementary materials are adopted according to a cycle developed by the State Department of Education, making the textbooks used in the school the most current available. Materials approved for use by the State are reviewed by all teachers and a recommendation is made to the School

Board by a selection committee composed of teachers and administrators. All recommended materials are available for parent examination at the district office prior to adoption. The table displays information about the quality, currency, and availability of the standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials used at the school.

District-Adopted Textbooks				
Grade Levels	Subject	Publisher	Adoption Year	Sufficient
12th	American Government	Glencoe	2006	Yes
11th	American History	Glencoe	2006	Yes
9th-12th	Consumer Math	AGS	1998	Yes
9th-12th	Earth Science	Heath	1998	Yes
12th	Economics	Glencoe	2005	Yes
9th-12th	English/ Language Arts	McDougal Littell	2005	Yes
9th	Geography	Glencoe	2005	Yes
9th-12th	Geometry	Houghton Mifflin	2006	Yes
9th-12th	Life Science	Heath	1998	Yes
9th-12th	Physical Science	Heath	1998	Yes
10th	World History	Glencoe	2005	Yes

District Expenditures

Coast Unified spent an average of \$6,529 to educate each student, based on 2004-2005 FY audited financial statements. The table provides a comparison of a school's per pupil funding from unrestricted sources with other schools in the district and throughout the state.

Expenditures per Pupil	
School	
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$20,903
From Restricted Sources	
From Unrestricted Sources	
District	
From Unrestricted Sources	
Percentage of Variation between School & District	98.38%
State	
From Unrestricted Sources	\$4,943
Percentage of Variation between School & State	

District Revenue Sources

In addition to general state funding, Leffingwell High School receives state and federal funding for the following categorical funds and other support programs



Teacher & Administrative Salaries as a Percentage of Total Budget

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 the district's budget, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size. Detailed information regarding salaries may be found at the CDE Web site.



Average Salary Information

Teachers - Principal - Superintendent

2005-06

	District	State
Beginning Teachers	\$34,465	\$34,363
Mid-Range Teachers	\$57,873	\$50,814
Highest Teachers	\$71,802	\$65,731
Elementary School Principals	\$95,320	\$78,437
Middle School Principals	\$95,320	\$81,316
High School Principals	\$92,544	\$84,594
Superintendent	\$132,061	\$103,105

Salaries as a Percentage of Total Budget

Teacher Salaries	41.1%	35.8%
Administrative Salaries	6.8%	6.5%

* Data unavailable from the State of California at the time of publication.

School Site Teacher Salaries

The chart illustrates the average teacher salary at the school and compares it to the average teacher salary at the district and state based on FY 2006-2007 financial statements.

Average Teacher Salaries

School & District

School	\$57,913
District	\$63,304
Percentage of Variation	8.52%

School & State

All Unified School Districts	\$52,361
Percentage of Variation	10.60%

California Standards Test

The California Standards Test (CST), a component of the STAR Program, is administered to all students in the spring to assess student performance in relation to the State Content Standards. Student scores are reported as performance levels: Advanced (exceeds state standards), Proficient (meets standards), Basic (approaching standards), Below Basic (below standards), and Far Below Basic (well below standards). The combined percentage of students scoring at the Proficient and Advanced levels in English/Language Arts, Math, Social Science, Science, for the most recent three-year period, is shown. Summative scores are not available for Math (grades 8-11), Science (available for grades 5 and 8 only), and grade 9 Social Science. For results on course specific tests, please see <http://star.cde.ca.gov>. (Note: For very small schools, some data may not be reported)

California Standards Test (CST)

Combined % of Students Scoring at Proficient and Advanced Levels

	Language Arts									Social Science									
	9			10			11			10			11						
	05	06	07	05	06	07	05	06	07	05	06	07	05	06	07				
	All Students																		
School	*			0	0	*			0	9	*			0	*			0	9
District	65	65	67	58	59	58	62	61	50	56	48	41	53	58	50				
State	43	44	47	36	37	37	36	36	37	31	30	29	37	35	35				

*Scores are not disclosed when fewer than 10 students are tested in a grade level and/or subgroup.

CAT-6

The California Achievement Test (CAT/6) is a standardized norm-referenced test (NRT), which indicates how the student or group of students compares with that of a norm group and other students from around the country. In August of 2004 the governor signed legislation reauthorizing the STAR Program. Prior to the reauthorization the California Achievement Tests, Sixth Edition Survey (CAT/6 Survey) were administered to all students in grades two through eleven. The reauthorization program requires administering the CAT/6 Survey only to students in grades three and seven. Students in grades three and seven were tested in reading, language, spelling, and mathematics. The purpose of administering the CAT/6 Survey is to determine how well California students are achieving academically compared to a national sample of students tested in the same grade at the same time of the school year. The CAT/6 chart reflects the percentages of students scoring at or above the 50th percentile, or those students performing at average/above average level, in Reading and Math. (Note: For very small schools, some data may not be reported)

Local Measures

Students are currently tested three times a year on academic skill levels as required by the State of California through the Alternative Schools Accountability Model (ASAM).

Physical Fitness

In the spring of each year, Leffingwell High School is required by the state to administer a physical fitness test to all students in grades five, seven, and nine. The physical fitness test is a standardized evaluation that tracks the development of high-quality fitness programs and assists students in establishing physical activity as part of their daily lives. *Scores are not disclosed when fewer than 10 students are tested in a grade level and/or subgroup.

Academic Performance Index

The Academic Performance Index (API) is a score on a scale of 200 to 1,000 that annually measures the academic performance and progress of individual schools in California. On an interim basis, the state has set 800 as the API score that schools should strive to meet. Statewide Rank: Schools receiving an API Base score are ranked in ten categories of equal size (deciles) from 1 (lowest) to 10 (highest), according to type of school (elementary, middle, or high school). Similar Schools Rank: Schools also receive a ranking that compares that school to 100 other schools with similar demographic characteristics. Each set of 100 schools is ranked by API score from 1 (lowest) to 10 (highest) to indicate how well the school performed compared to similar schools. (Note: For very small schools, some data may not be reported)

California Awards & Interventions

Although state intervention and awards programs are currently in the California Education Code, the programs were not funded for the period addressed by this SARC, therefore, there is no data to report.

Adequate Yearly Progress

No Child Left Behind (NCLB) is a federal law enacted in January 2002 that reauthorized the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). It mandates that all students (including students who are economically disadvantaged, are from racial or ethnic minority groups, have disabilities, or have limited English proficiency) in all grades meet the state academic achievement standards for Mathematics and English/Language Arts by 2014. Schools must demonstrate "Adequate Yearly Progress" (AYP) toward achieving that goal. The federal NCLB Act requires that all schools and districts meet the following Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) requirements: • Participation rate on the state's standards-based assessments in English/Language Arts (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). There are several consequences for schools that do not meet the AYP standards, including additional tutoring and replacing of staff. Students would also be allowed to transfer to schools (within their district) that have met their AYP's, and the former school would be required to provide the transportation to the new site. Results of school and district performance are displayed in the chart. (Note: AYP may not be reported for very small schools)

Federal Intervention Program

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 (English/Language Arts 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.

API School Results				
	04-05	05-06	06-07	2007 API Growth Score
Statewide Rank	B	-	-	
Similar Schools Rank	B	-	-	
All Students				
Actual Growth	-	-	-	-

B - This is either an LEA or an Alternative Schools Accountability Model (ASAM) school. Schools participating in the ASAM do not currently receive growth, target information, or statewide or similar schools rankings on this report in recognition of their markedly different educational missions and populations served. ASAM schools are covered under the Alternative Accountability system as required by Education Code Section 52052 and not the API accountability system. However, API information is needed to comply with the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) law. Growth, target, and rank information are not applicable to LEAs.

Only numerically significant subgroups for each reporting period are required to be presented in this report card. Numerically significant subgroups are comprised of (1) at least 100 students with valid test scores or (2) at least 15% of the school population tested and contains at least 50 students with valid scores.

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)				
Made AYP Overall	School		District	
	English - Language Arts	Mathematics	English - Language Arts	Mathematics
Met AYP Criteria	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Participation Rate	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Percent Proficient	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
API School Results	Yes		Yes	
Graduation Rate	Yes		Yes	

Federal Intervention Programs		
	School	District
Program Improvement (PI) Status	Not in PI	Not in PI
First Year in PI	-	-
Year in PI (2007-08)	-	-
# of Schools Currently in PI	-	0
% of Schools Identified for PI	-	0.00%

Dropout & Graduation Rates

Leffingwell High School believes that effective instruction consists of the continuous building of new concepts upon existing ones and requires regular attendance and participation. In hopes of preventing and reducing dropouts, the following programs are made available to students: Individualized learning plans, regular meetings with parents and counselors, on-campus school resource officer two days a week.

Graduation & Dropout Rates			
	03-04	04-05	05-06
Dropout Rate	18.52%	10.00%	21.43%
Graduation Rate	92.90%	96.50%	96.40%

Completion of High School Graduation Requirements

Beginning with the graduating class of 2006, students in California public schools must pass both the English-language arts and mathematics portions of the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE) to receive a high school diploma. For students who began the 2005-06 school year in the 12th grade, the table displays by student group the percent who met all state and local graduation requirements for grade 12 completion, including having passed both portions of the CAHSEE or received a local waiver or state exemption. Detailed information about the CAHSEE can be found at the CDE Web site at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/hs/>. Note: "N/A" means that the student group is not numerically significant.

Completion of High School Graduation Requirements			
	School	District	State
* Statewide data was not available at the time of publication.			

School Leadership

Leadership at Leffingwell High School is a responsibility shared between district administration, the principal, instructional staff, students, and parents. The district's emphasis is on a well-balanced and rigorous core curriculum at all grade levels. Instructional programs are aligned with state and district standards. For the past 6 years, leadership duties were assumed by Principal Michael Schackel. Principal Schackel has 35 years of experience in education with positions as teacher, program director, vice principal, principal, Director of Student Services/Technology. Staff members and parents participate work together to make decisions regarding the priorities and direction of the educational plan to ensure instructional programs are consistent with students' needs and comply with district goals.

Staff Development

Staff members build teaching skills and concepts by participating in many conferences and workshops throughout the year, then sharing their experiences and knowledge with district colleagues. Topics for staff development during the 2006-07 school year included: Instructional techniques, testing, technology, curriculum development, safety and others.

Computer Resources

All classrooms have at least 21 computers that are connected to the Internet. Computer skills and concepts are integrated throughout standard curriculum which helps to prepare students for technological growth and other opportunities.

Computer Resources			
	04-05	05-06	06-07
Computers	26	25	17
Students per computer	0.8	0.6	1.3
Classrooms connected to Internet	3	2	3

Governing Board Members

During the 2005/06 the Coast Unified was governed by the following Board of Education Members:

Bill Raver
 Dianne Brooke, Board President
 Forrest Warren
 Cindy Fratto
 Dr. Robert Gong

Data Sources

Data within the SARC was provided by Coast Unified School District, retrieved from the 2006-07 SARC template, and/or located on Dataquest (<http://data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest>). Dataquest is a search engine, maintained by the California Department of Education (CDE), which allows the public to search for facts and figures pertaining to schools and districts throughout the state. Among the data available, parents and community may find information about school performance, test scores, student demographics, staffing, and student misconduct/intervention.

Additional Internet Access/Public Libraries

For additional research materials and Internet availability, students are encouraged to visit the public libraries located in the cities of Cambria and Morro Bay which contain numerous computer workstations.

