

Beard Elementary School
School Accountability Report Card
Reported Using Data from the 2019-2020 School Year
Published During 2020-2021

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 and access to prior year reports, 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 the LCAP, see the CDE LCFF webpage 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.

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).

California School Dashboard

The California School Dashboard (Dashboard) <https://www.caschooldashboard.org/> reflects California's new accountability and continuous improvement system and provides information about how LEAs and schools are meeting the needs of California's diverse student population. The Dashboard contains reports that display the performance of LEAs, schools, and student groups on a set of state and local measures to assist in identifying strengths, challenges, and areas in need of improvement.

About This School

School Contact Information (School Year 2020-2021)

Entity	Contact Information
School Name	Beard Elementary School
Street	915 Bowen Ave.
City, State, Zip	Modesto, CA 95350-3096
Phone Number	(209) 574-1942
Principal	Beth Weston
Email Address	weston.b@monet.k12.ca.us
Website	https://beard.mcs4kids.com/
County-District-School (CDS) Code	50 711676052625

District Contact Information (School Year 2020-2021)

Entity	Contact Information
District Name	Modesto City School District
Phone Number	(209) 574-1500
Superintendent	Sara Noguchi, Ed.D
Email Address	fortuna.b@monet.k12.ca.us
Website	www.mcs4kids.com

School Description and Mission Statement (School Year 2020-2021)

Constructed in 1955, Beard Elementary School is located in north central Modesto at 915 Bowen Avenue. It is one of twenty-two elementary schools in the district. It serves a wide population of diverse students. The school is in great condition due in part to the dedicated and caring staff. Students within our attendance area are mainly Hispanic and White. The income level of most families falls into the low socio-economic range.

The school serves a diverse group of approximately 400 Transitional Kindergarten through 6th grade students. The student population is 80% socioeconomically disadvantaged and for 19% of our students English is their second language. The ethnic composition is Hispanic 50%, White 25%, African American 8%, Asian 4% and 13% other. Beard's population is comprised of students living in the local neighborhood with others arriving by bus from various neighborhoods around Modesto. In addition to 14 regular education K-6 classes, there are five Special Education classes located on the Beard Campus, two Learning Handicapped and three Severely Handicapped classes. Students with Disabilities make up 23% of our student population.

Beard is an MTSS site. Students performing below grade level receive multiple layers of intervention support to bridge the gap and increase academic performance. In the classroom, teachers teach English Language Arts with McGraw Hill, and SWUN Mathematics (TK - 6th grade). We have adopted the Second Step: Skills for Social and Academic Success program to teach and reinforce social skills. RISE, our after school intervention program for grades 1 – 6, focuses on reading foundational skills and serves approximately 60 Beard students.

ASES, an after school program, serves approximately 140 students. Students receive homework assistance, social skills lessons, and character education. The ASES program also offers a variety of activities and sports for students. Beard has a computer lab with a full time computer literacy teacher. The teacher helps students become proficient in computer skills. Modesto City Schools also provides a Prep Provider who works weekly with students on a variety of skills from character traits to physical education. A mentor program, through Stanislaus County, aides in assisting students with social skills, reading and math fluency, and character building.

In conjunction with the district mission, "Every Student Matters, Every Moment Counts", we strive to maximize every student's academic potential and personal responsibility.

Modesto City Elementary: K-8

Migrant Education /Title Part C supplemental instructional and support services are provided to the Modesto City Schools migrant students through a Memorandum of Understanding with the Merced County Office of Education/Migrant Education Region 3. These services are directly provided by Migrant Education Region 3 staff to preschool and elementary students. Migrant Education supplemental instructional services are provided through a combination of site and home base models. Migrant students are identified and recruited by two Support Services Liaisons that are housed at Pearson Education Center. The current migrant student eligibility list is maintained on a monthly basis and is cross-referenced with the district student data base to keep student lists current. The Supportive Services Liaisons additionally provide referrals for supplemental health and social services to migrant families identified in the Modesto City Schools attendance area. The migrant parents assist the district and region in evaluating migrant educational services through their participation in the Migrant Parent Advisory Committee that meets six times per year. Migrant Education services are determined each year in collaboration with the Modesto City Schools District to maintain or modify them based on a review of prior year services and funding allocations.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2019-2020)

Grade Level	Number of Students
Kindergarten	47
Grade 1	45
Grade 2	47
Grade 3	46
Grade 4	81
Grade 5	57
Grade 6	71
Total Enrollment	394

Student Enrollment by Student Group (School Year 2019-2020)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	8.1
Asian	3.8
Hispanic or Latino	49.5
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.5
White	25.1
Two or More Races	8.1
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	82.7
English Learners	18
Students with Disabilities	20.8
Homeless	1.3

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

Teachers	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	School 2020-21	District 2020-21
With Full Credential	21	22	24	1431
Without Full Credential	1	1	2	27
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	40

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
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.

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

Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials (School Year 2020-2021)

Year and month in which data were collected: September 2020

The Governing Board recognizes that students' educational opportunities are enhanced when they have sufficient access to high-quality textbooks, equipment and other instructional materials for each of the subjects they are studying. To adequately support the Board-approved curriculum, instructional materials must also be up to date. For further information about the selection and adoption of instructional materials at all Modesto City Schools, please reference Board Policies 6161, 6161.1, and 6161.11. All board policies are located at <https://www.mcs4kids.com/district/board/board-policies/board-policies>.

Subject	Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials/year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	World of Wonders, Maravillas, Wonders, Wonder Works, 2017	Yes	0
Mathematics	SWUN Math, 2020	Yes	0
Science	Discovery Ed, 2019	Yes	0
History-Social Science	Studies Weekly, 2019	Yes	0

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

School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements

The district takes great efforts to ensure that all schools are clean, safe, and functional. To assist in this effort, the district uses a facility survey instrument developed by the State of California Office of Public School Construction. The results of this survey are included within this report. The results of this survey are available at the district office and on the internet at mcs4kids.com.

Below is more specific information on the condition of the school and the efforts made to ensure that students are provided with a clean, safe, and functional learning environment.

Age of School/Buildings:

This school has classrooms, a cafeteria building, a library, and an administration office. The main campus was built in 1955 and opened in 1955.

Maintenance and Repair:

The Operations Department has adopted cleaning standards for all schools in the district. A summary of these standards are available at the school office, or at the Maintenance & Operations office. The Maintenance & Operations Department works continuously with the custodial staff to develop cleaning schedules to ensure a clean and safe school.

Cleaning Process and Schedule:

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Deferred Maintenance:

The District participated in the State School Deferred Maintenance Program, which provided flexible state matching funds to assist school districts with expenditures for major repair or replacement of existing school facilities components. State contributions to this Program ended in the 2012-13 school year. Deferred Maintenance typically includes paving, roofing, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, electrical systems, interior or exterior painting and floor systems. Carry-over funds for deferred maintenance projects throughout the District in Funds 01 and 14 have been exhausted. The Board has authorized the General Fund (Fund 01) to annually contribute \$2 million to Facility Maintenance (Fund 14) to be used for new construction and maintenance projects throughout the District, \$2 million to Routine Restricted Maintenance (Fund 14) for maintenance projects throughout the District and \$2 million to Facility Improvements (Fund 40) for the District's high schools. Identified needed repairs are weighed against all other District site repairs and the most urgent repairs are addressed first.

Data provided by LEA. Additional information about the condition of the school's facilities may be obtained by speaking with the school principal.

School Facility Good Repair Status

Using the **most recently collected** FIT data (or equivalent), provide the following:

- 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 rate for each system inspected
- The overall rating

Year and month of the most recent FIT report: 7/1/2020

System Inspected	Rating	Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
Systems: Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	Good	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	Good	Carpet ripped
Cleanliness: Overall Cleanliness, Pest/ Vermin Infestation	Good	
Electrical: Electrical	Fair	Blocked electrical panel
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms, Sinks/ Fountains	Fair	Loose faucet, Low flow faucets and fountains, Fountain broken
Safety: Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	Good	
Structural: Structural Damage, Roofs	Good	
External: Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	Good	Water damage to window sill
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 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2018-19	District 2019-20	State 2018-19	State 2019-20
English Language Arts/Literacy (grades 3-8 and 11)	30	N/A	31	N/A	50	N/A
Mathematics (grades 3-8 and 11)	20	N/A	22	N/A	39	N/A

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

Note: The 2019-2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued which waived the requirement for statewide testing for the 2019-2020 school year.

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.

CAASPP Test Results in ELA by Student Group

Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2019-2020)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Black or African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian or Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Filipino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
Two or More Races	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Homeless	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

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CAASPP Test Results in Mathematics by Student Group Grades Three through Eight and Grade Eleven (School Year 2019-2020)

Student Group	Total Enrollment	Number Tested	Percent Tested	Percent Not Tested	Percent Met or Exceeded
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Black or African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian or Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Filipino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Two or More Races	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Homeless	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: The 2019-2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued which waived the requirement for statewide testing for the 2019-2020 school year.

CAASPP Test Results in Science for All Students

Grades Five, Eight, and High School

Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standard

Subject	School 2018-19	School 2019-20	District 2018-19	District 2019-20	State 2018-19	State 2019-20
Science (grades 5, 8 and high school)	14	N/A	15	N/A	30	N/A

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

Note: The 2019-2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-30-20 was issued which waived the requirement for statewide testing for the 2019-2020 school year.

Note: The new California Science Test (CAST) was first administered operationally in the 2018-2019 school year.

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 areas of physical education.

California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2019-2020)

Grade Level	Percentage of Students Meeting Four of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Five of Six Fitness Standards	Percentage of Students Meeting Six of Six Fitness Standards
5	N/A	N/A	N/A
7	N/A	N/A	N/A
9	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Note: The 2019–2020 data are not available. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Executive Order N-56-20 was issued which waived the requirement to administer the physical fitness performance test for the 2019–2020 school year.

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 2020-2021)

Beard provides opportunities for parent involvement in a variety of ways. Beard PTA is very active in supporting the students and teachers through fundraising and volunteer work. Each year we partner with LOVE Modesto to beautify our campus. In addition, we have community members, students, and staff who work together adding to our already beautiful campus. Many of our teachers encourage parent involvement in the classroom especially at the primary grade levels. Teachers, in all grade levels, provide opportunities for parent helpers in the classroom. We also have two committees for parents to be involved. First, we have the English Learner Parent Partnership committee that meets with the Principal at least three times a year to discuss issues surrounding English Language Learners. The second committee is the School Site Council. Members of this committee are elected by the Beard community and staff and oversee the Title I budget. If you would like more information on any of these opportunities, please contact the school office.

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.

Suspensions and Expulsions

(data collected between July through June, each full school year respectively)

Rate	School 2017-18	School 2018-19	District 2017-18	District 2018-19	State 2017-18	State 2018-19
Suspensions	2.6	0.6	3.6	2.8	3.5	3.5
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1

Suspensions and Expulsions for School Year 2019-2020 Only

(data collected between July through February, partial school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic)

Rate	School 2019-20	District 2019-20	State 2019-20
Suspensions	0.45	4.9	N/A
Expulsions	0	0.0	N/A

Note: The 2019-2020 suspensions and expulsions rate data are not comparable to prior year data because the 2019-2020 school year is a partial school year due to the COVID-19 crisis. As such, it would be inappropriate to make any comparisons in rates of suspensions and expulsions in the 2019-2020 school year compared to prior years.

School Safety Plan (School Year 2020-2021)

The Beard Elementary School Safety Plan was developed by California Safe Schools as part of a comprehensive district wide Safety Plan. The plan specific to Beard was developed with input from the Safety Committee made up of staff and parents. The completed plan was reviewed by staff and parents before adoption. The plan is reviewed annually by staff and parents. The main purpose of the plan is to provide guidelines for a variety of possible emergencies that a school might encounter during the year. A list of support staff, district personnel, and the community is made available.

Beard Elementary provides supervision of students prior to the start of the school day at the following locations: the bus drop off area, the cafeteria, and the primary/intermediate playground. Beard has a traffic/safety patrol that monitors major crosswalks near the school both in the morning and directly after school. Yard duties provided after school supervision until the buses have departed. Beard has a single point entry and all visitors to the school must report to the office and be scanned in with our RAPTOR program. Visitors will then receive a sticker which must be worn while on campus. We lock all gates restricting access to the school after the bell rings. All staff members are instructed to question any adults on campus not wearing a visitor sticker and to escort them back to the office to sign in and obtain a sticker. The principal, head custodian, and campus supervisor patrol the school grounds regularly to ensure student safety and to address any safety concerns.

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.

Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade Level	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19	2018-19	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20	2019-20
	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+	Average Class Size	# of Classes* Size 1-20	# of Classes* Size 21-32	# of Classes* Size 33+
K	23		2		21	1	1	2	24			
1	23		2		24		2		23		2	
2	23		2		24		2		24	2		
3	24		2		23		2		12	2	2	
4	32		2		19	1	2		16	3	2	
5	23		2		25		2		11	3	2	
6	16	5	2		16	5	2		14	3	2	
Other**	12	1							9	2		

*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.

Ratio of Pupils to Academic Counselor (School Year 2019-2020)

Title	Ratio
Academic Counselors*	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 2019-2020)

Title	Number of FTE* Assigned to School
Counselor (Academic, Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	
Psychologist	0.5
Social Worker	
Nurse	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1.1
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	
Other	2.8

*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.

Expenditures Per Pupil and School Site Teacher Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-2019)

Level	Total Expenditures Per Pupil	Expenditures Per Pupil (Restricted)	Expenditures Per Pupil (Unrestricted)	Average Teacher Salary
School Site	15,182.66	5,993.73	9,188.93	108,821.03
District	N/A	N/A	9,699.56	93,066
Percent Difference - School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-5.4	15.6
State	N/A	N/A	\$7,750	82,746
Percent Difference - School Site and State	N/A	N/A	-20.2	27.2

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

Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2019-2020)

The Modesto City Schools Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) provides detailed information on actions, services, and expenditures that support and assist students. Actions, services, and expenditures funded through past year LCAPs can be found here: <https://www.mcs4kids.com/district/lcff-and-lcap> . The most recent LCAP can be found here: <https://www.mcs4kids.com/district/lcff-and-lcap/workshops-2019-2020> . While the LCAP is designed to support the educational progress of all students, there are specific actions and services principally directed toward meeting the needs of our unduplicated students in closing the achievement gap. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the district prepared a Learning Continuity Plan in accordance with State requirements. The LCP outlines how the district has addressed the demands of the pandemic.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2018-2019)

Category	District Amount	State Average For Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	61,523	50,029
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	93,066	77,680
Highest Teacher Salary	114,050	102,143
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	126,595	128,526
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	136,514	133,574
Average Principal Salary (High)	149,971	147,006
Superintendent Salary	250,000	284,736
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	32.56%	32.81%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	5.94%	5.02%

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

Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)

Measure	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Number of school days dedicated to Staff Development and Continuous Improvement	8	5	9

Professional development in MCS is data driven using research-based best practices to ensure our students receive guaranteed and viable curriculum in every grade, in every school. We use formative and summative data to drive our instructional decisions and focus for professional development. To this end, we utilize multiple structures to provide high-quality professional development to our staff including: summer training, preservice-days, district wide professional development days, after school workshops, Saturday workshops, substitute-release days, instructional coaching, an Induction (formerly BTSA) and Peer Assistance Review (PAR) program. For the second year, MCS has provided the opportunity for 0.5% compensation for those who choose to complete an extra six hours of professional development.

MCS has prioritized our focus on mathematics, literacy across grades and content areas, collaboration, welcoming schools/customer service, and building our capacity as professionals. This has been in addition to the needed training in new adoptions, curriculum and standard updates and the like. The professional development is sustained through site administration, district and site level instructional coaches, and intervention specialists. In the 2019-2020 academic year, a new division (Curriculum and Instruction & Professional Development) was also created in order to increase the quality and quantity of professional development provided to classified, certificated, and managers alike.