



# Tierra Pacifica

Charter School

A Public Learning Community

## Local Performance Indicator Self-Reflection

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Tierra Pacifica Charter School is a collaborative effort among parents, teachers, and community members committed to the development of the whole child. Working within the public school system, the school has created an innovative alternative model to traditional public elementary schools. The school is designed to engage families in taking an active role in the education of their children, and nurtures multi-generational involvement both in and out of the classroom.

### Introduction

The State Board of Education (SBE) approved standards for the local indicators that support a local educational agency (LEA) in measuring and reporting progress within the appropriate priority area. The approved performance standards require a LEA to:

- Annually measure its progress in meeting the requirements of the specific LCFF priority.
- Report the results as part of a non-consent item at a regularly scheduled public meeting of the local governing board/body in conjunction with the adoption of the LCAP.
- Report results to the public through the Dashboard utilizing the SBE-adopted self-reflection tools for each local indicator.

Below are the approved standards and self-reflection tools that an LEA will use to report its progress on the local indicators.

### Performance Standards

The performance standards for the local performance indicators are:

**Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean and Functional School Facilities (LCFF Priority 1)**

The LEA annually measures its progress in meeting the Williams settlement requirements at 100% at all of its school sites, as applicable, and promptly addresses any complaints or other deficiencies identified throughout the academic year, as applicable; the LEA then reports the results to its local governing board at a regularly scheduled meeting and to reports to stakeholders and the public through the Dashboard.

### **Implementation of State Academic Standards (LCFF Priority 2)**

The LEA annually measures its progress implementing state academic standards; the LEA then reports the results to its local governing board at a regularly scheduled meeting and reports to stakeholders and the public through the Dashboard.

### **Parent and Family Engagement (LCFF Priority 3)**

The LEA annually measures its progress in: (1) seeking input from parents in decision making and (2) promoting parental participation in programs; the LEA then reports the results to its local governing board at a regularly scheduled meeting and reports to stakeholders and the public through the Dashboard.

### **School Climate (LCFF Priority 6)**

The LEA administers a local climate survey at least every other year that provides a valid measure of perceptions of school safety and connectedness, such as the California Healthy Kids Survey, to students in at least one grade within the grade span(s) that the LEA serves (e.g., K-5, 6-8, 9-12), and reports the results to its local governing board at a regularly scheduled meeting of the local governing board and to stakeholders and the public through the Dashboard.

### **Access to a Broad Course of Study (LCFF Priority 7)**

The LEA annually measures its progress in the extent to which students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study that includes the adopted courses of study specified in the California Education Code (EC) for Grades 1-6 and Grades 7-12, as applicable, including the programs and services developed and provided to unduplicated students and individuals with exceptional needs; the LEA then reports the results to its local governing board at a regularly scheduled meeting and reports to stakeholders and the public through the Dashboard.

### **Coordination of Services for Expelled Students-County Office of Education (COE) Only (LCFF Priority 9)**

The county office of education (COE) annually measures its progress in coordinating instruction as required by California EC Section 48926; the COE then reports the results to its local governing board at a regularly scheduled meeting and reports to stakeholders and the public through the Dashboard.

### **Coordination of Services for Foster Youth-COE Only (LCFF Priority 10)**

The COE annually measures its progress in coordinating services for foster youth; the COE then reports the results to its local governing board at a regularly scheduled meeting and reports to stakeholders and the public through the Dashboard.

# Self-Reflection Tools

An LEA uses the self-reflection tools included within the Dashboard to report its progress on the local performance indicator to stakeholders and the public.

The self-reflection tools are embedded in the web-based Dashboard system and are also available in Word document format. In addition to using the self-reflection tools to report its progress on the local performance indicators to stakeholders and the public, an LEA may use the self-reflection tools as a resource when reporting results to its local governing board. The approved self-reflection tools are provided below.

## Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean and Functional School Facilities (LCFF Priority 1)

LEAs will provide the information below:

- Number/percentage of misassignments of teachers of ELs, total teacher misassignments, and vacant teacher positions
- Number/percentage of students without access to their own copies of standards-aligned instructional materials for use at school and at home
- Number of identified instances where facilities do not meet the “good repair” standard (including deficiencies and extreme deficiencies)

Teachers	Number	Percent
Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0

Access to Instructional Materials	Number	Percent
Students Without Access to Own Copies of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials for Use at School and at Home	0	0

Facility Conditions	Number
Identified Instances Where Facilities Do Not Meet The “Good Repair” Standard (Including Deficiencies and Extreme Deficiencies)	0

## Implementation of State Academic Standards (LCFF Priority 2)

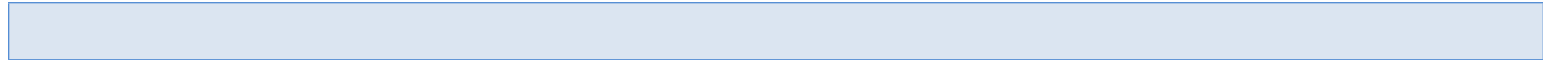
LEAs may provide a narrative summary of their progress in the implementation of state academic standards based on locally selected measures or tools (Option 1). Alternatively, LEAs may complete the optional reflection tool (Option 2).

### OPTION 1: Narrative Summary (Limited to 3,000 characters)

In the narrative box provided on the Dashboard, identify the locally selected measures or tools that the LEA is using to track its progress in implementing the state academic standards adopted by the state board and briefly describe why the LEA chose the selected measures or tools.

Additionally, summarize the LEA's progress in implementing the academic standards adopted by the SBE, based on the locally selected measures or tools. The adopted academic standards are:

- English Language Arts (ELA)-Common Core State Standards for ELA
- English Language Development (ELD) (Aligned to Common Core State Standards for ELA)
- Mathematics-Common Core State Standards for Mathematics
- Next Generation Science Standards
- History-Social Science
- Career Technical Education
- Health Education Content Standards
- Physical Education Model Content Standards
- Visual and Performing Arts
- World Language



**OPTION 2: Reflection Tool**

**Recently Adopted Academic Standards and/or Curriculum Frameworks**

**1. Rate the LEA's progress in providing professional learning for teaching to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below.**

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
ELA – Common Core State Standards for ELA					5
ELD (Aligned to ELA Standards)				4	
Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics					5
Next Generation Science Standards				4	
History-Social Science				4	

**2. Rate the LEA's progress in making instructional materials that are aligned to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below available in all classrooms where the subject is taught.**

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
ELA – Common Core State Standards for ELA				4	

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
ELD (Aligned to ELA Standards)				4	
Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics					5
Next Generation Science Standards					5
History-Social Science					5

**3. Rate the LEA’s progress in implementing policies or programs to support staff in identifying areas where they can improve in delivering instruction aligned to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below (e.g., collaborative time, focused classroom walkthroughs, teacher pairing).**

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
ELA – Common Core State Standards for ELA					5
ELD (Aligned to ELA Standards)				4	
Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics					5
Next Generation Science Standards				4	
History-Social Science				4	

**Recently Adopted Academic Standards and/or Curriculum Frameworks**

**4. Rate the LEA’s progress implementing each of the following academic standards adopted by the state board for all students.**

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
Career Technical Education				4	
Health Education Content Standards					5
Physical Education Model Content Standards					5
Visual and Performing Arts			3		
World Language			3		

## Support for Teachers and Administrators

### 5. Rate the LEA's success at engaging in the following activities with teachers and school administrators during the prior school year (including the summer preceding the prior school year).

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
Identifying the professional learning needs of groups of teachers or staff as a whole					5
Identifying the professional learning needs of individual teachers					5
Providing support for teachers on the standards they have not yet mastered					5

### Optional Narrative (Limited to 1,500 characters)

### 6. Provide any additional information in the text box provided in the Dashboard that the LEA believes is relevant to understanding its progress implementing the academic standards adopted by the state board.

## Parent and Family Engagement (LCFF Priority 3)

This self-reflection tool is organized into three sections. Each section includes promising practices in family engagement:

1. Building Relationships between School Staff and Families
2. Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes
3. Seeking Input for Decision-making

LEAs use this self-reflection tool to reflect on its progress, successes, needs and areas of growth in family engagement policies, programs, and practices. This tool will enable an LEA to engage in continuous improvement and determine next steps to make improvements in the areas identified.

The results of the process should be used to inform the LCAP and the development process, to assess prior year goals, actions and services as well as to plan or modify future goals, actions, and services in the LCAP.

For each statement in the table below -

1. Identify the diverse stakeholders that need to participate in the self-reflection process in order to ensure input from all groups of families, staff and students in the LEA, including families of unduplicated students and families of individuals with exceptional needs as well as families of underrepresented students.
2. Engage stakeholders in determining what data and information will be considered to complete the self-reflection tool. LEAs should consider how the practices apply to families of all student groups, including families of unduplicated students and families of individuals with exceptional needs as well as families of underrepresented students.

3. Based on the analysis of data, identify the number which best indicates the LEA's current stage of implementation for each practice using the following rating scale (lowest to highest):
  - 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
  - 2 - Beginning Development
  - 3 - Initial Implementation
  - 4 - Full Implementation
  - 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability
4. Write a brief response to the prompts following each of the three sections.
5. Use the information from the self-reflection process to inform the LCAP and the LCAP development process, as well as the development of other school and district plans.

### Building Relationships

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Building Relationships	1	2	3	4	5
1. Rate the LEA's progress in developing the capacity of staff (i.e. administrators, teachers, and classified staff) to build trusting and respectful relationships with families.					5
2. Rate the LEA's progress in creating welcoming environments for all families in the community.					5
3. Rate the LEA's progress in supporting staff to learn about each family's strengths, cultures, languages, and goals for their children.					5
4. Rate the LEA's progress in developing multiple opportunities for the LEA and school sites to engage in 2-way communication between families and educators using language that is understandable and accessible to families.					5

### Dashboard Narrative Box (Limited to 3,000 characters)

Briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in this area, and identify a focus area for improvement, including how the LEA will improve the engagement of underrepresented families.

Tierra Pacifica is a multi-generational community of learners and relationship building is the foundation of our approach. The school maintains an open and inviting atmosphere for all family members, including grandparents, to be a part of the school community. Teachers send weekly letters to their students' families sharing updates, asking for input and inviting participation in classroom activities. Teachers are very skilled at incorporating parents into their classroom routines and home support jobs, and parent representatives for each classroom are trained to facilitate voluntary parent participation in a way that works for their family. The main communication tool used at TPCS is an online community platform called Parent Square. All posts to the community can be translated with one button either at the sender's end or the user's. The school calendar, important forms and school documents, and a directory are accessible to all community members there, as well as tools for getting involved.

Tierra Pacifica Charter School is a place where parents are welcomed in and encouraged to participate on every level. In addition to the meetings and working teams, there are multiple opportunities for parents to interact at school from musical performances to entrepreneurial fairs to parent education opportunities and more. It is our goal that every family will feel recognized, appreciated and respected for who they are and what they bring to the diverse network of relationships that makes our school so strong.



New families at Tierra Pacifica attend an orientation at the beginning of the school year, and are assigned a Buddy Family to support them as they get to know the community and its culture.

### Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Building Partnerships	1	2	3	4	5
1. Rate the LEA's progress in providing professional learning and support to teachers and principals to improve a school's capacity to partner with families.					5
2. Rate the LEA's progress in providing families with information and resources to support student learning and development in the home.					5
3. Rate the LEA's progress in implementing policies or programs for teachers to meet with families and students to discuss student progress and ways to work together to support improved student outcomes.					5
4. Rate the LEA's progress in supporting families to understand and exercise their legal rights and advocate for their own students and all students.					5

### Dashboard Narrative Box (Limited to 3,000 characters)

Briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in this area, and identify a focus area for improvement, including how the LEA will improve the engagement of underrepresented families.

At Tierra Pacifica, we know that supporting the whole child means working with their village as well. One critical practice in addition to regular meetings and parent-teacher conferences is that of the Village Success Meeting. Village Success Meetings are proactive, solution-seeking gatherings of a student's "village" to hear from the most important people in that student's world. Together, we focus on the student's strengths and challenges and brainstorm actions the group members can implement as supports. Anyone can call a VSM; parent, teacher or student. Reasons for calling a VSM are myriad. Every team member can contribute their expert knowledge of the student, the research, or best practices likely to help. Together we work for successful student outcomes. English Language Learners have an extra large challenge to meet academic goals while simultaneously learning a new language. This year Tierra Pacifica will have a VSM for all EL students to ensure steady progress, seek input from families on how the school is addressing their students' needs and to investigate whether increased support or community resources are indicated.

### Seeking Input for Decision Making

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability



Seeking Input	1	2	3	4	5
1. Rate the LEA's progress in building the capacity of and supporting principals and staff to effectively engage families in advisory groups and with decision-making.					5
2. Rate the LEA's progress in building the capacity of and supporting family members to effectively engage in advisory groups and decision-making.					5
3. Rate the LEA's progress in providing all families with opportunities to provide input on policies and programs, and implementing strategies to reach and seek input from any underrepresented groups in the school community.					5
4. Rate the LEA's progress in providing opportunities to have families, teachers, principals, and district administrators work together to plan, design, implement and evaluate family engagement activities at school and district levels.					5

**Dashboard Narrative Box (Limited to 3,000 characters)**

Briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in this area, and identify a focus area for improvement, including how the LEA will improve the engagement of underrepresented families.

Tierra Pacifica employs many ways of engaging parents in school operations, culture, and decision-making. After 20 years of work on how to engage parents, a robust framework has been created. A minimum of two parent meetings for each classroom are held during the school year where parents are engaged in learning about curriculum and school practices, are reminded of ways they can be a part of any school day and are asked to collaborate on a variety of school endeavors from planning to problem-solving. Two All School Meetings are held each year for the entire parent body which also engage parents in understanding school goals and progress toward these goals. During this large meeting, parents are organized into small groups for the purposes of effective collaboration and are asked for feedback that will inform further actions toward our goals.

Another way parents can engage at Tierra Pacifica is through parent teams. Teams are organized and run by parents to help support the different areas of need in the school. For instance, the school Finance team meets once monthly to review and refine the work of the Finance Department. Often the team's questions, ideas and research help to clarify the school's direction on budgetary goals and practices as well as communication of outcomes to the wider community.

Another example of how parents are integral to school operations is in the progress of our outdoor learning spaces. At the beginning of the pandemic, parents were invited to join task forces to help our school adjust to all of the new challenges. One of the task forces decided to look more closely at the possibility of developing learning spaces around the edges of our campus for additional health and safety. Eventually, this became the Outdoor Classrooms Team. The Team met throughout the next year and a half, held multiple workdays for any parents who wished to volunteer, and created five beautiful outdoor learning spaces for our students. Now every class has its own dedicated space that can be used at any time during the school day. Now, as the pandemic continues, our students learn outside more than inside.

Tierra Pacifica continues to strive for the full engagement of our non-English-speaking families. Although language accommodations are provided at meetings, some of these families are still not attending them. Part of the intent of the yearly EL VSMS is to gain a better understanding of how to make meetings feel more meaningful and accessible to these families.

## School Climate (LCFF Priority 6)

LEAs will provide a narrative summary of the local administration and analysis of a local climate survey that captures a valid measure of student perceptions of school safety and connectedness in at least one grade within the grade span (e.g., K–5, 6–8, 9–12) in a text box provided in the California School Dashboard (response limited to 3,000 characters). LEAs will have an opportunity to include differences among student groups, and for surveys that provide an overall score, such as the California Healthy Kids Survey, report the overall score for all students and student groups. This summary may also include an analysis of a subset of specific items on a local survey and additional data collection tools that are particularly relevant to school conditions and climate.

1. **DATA:** Reflect on the key learnings from the survey results and share what the LEA learned.
2. **MEANING:** What do the disaggregated results (if applicable) of the survey and other data collection methods reveal about schools in the LEA, such as areas of strength or growth, challenges, and barriers?
3. **USE:** What revisions, decisions, or actions has, or will, the LEA implement in response to the results for continuous improvement purposes? Why? If you have already implemented actions, did you see the results you were seeking?

The most recent on-campus survey (as opposed to surveys focused on distance-learning) found that 88% of students feel the school is clean and well-maintained, virtually all respondents feel they have access to the materials and technology needed for learning and that they are being well prepared for academic challenges. Fewer than 3% disagreed when asked if they feel their social emotional needs are being met at school, whether they feel adults at school will help them when they need it, and whether they feel safe at school. In the comments section, a number of students remarked about the cleanliness and 'smell' of the student bathrooms. We have implemented a monthly maintenance routine which replaces urinal filters more often, replaced the flooring in all student restrooms and installed fans that run for a period of time during and after each restroom use.

## Access to a Broad Course of Study (LCFF Priority 7)

LEAs provide a narrative summary of the extent to which all students have access to and are enrolled in a broad course of study by addressing, at a minimum, the following four prompts:

1. Briefly identify the locally selected measures or tools that the LEA is using to track the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study, based on grade spans, unduplicated student groups, and individuals with exceptional needs served. (response limited to 1,500 characters)
2. Using the locally selected measures or tools, summarize the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study. The summary should identify any differences across school sites and student groups in access to, and enrollment in, a broad course of study, and may describe progress over time in the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study. (response limited to 1,500 characters)
3. Given the results of the tool or locally selected measures, identify the barriers preventing the LEA from providing access to a broad course of study for all students. (response limited to 1,500 characters)
4. In response to the results of the tool or locally selected measures, what revisions, decisions, or new actions will the LEA implement, or has the LEA implemented, to ensure access to a broad course of study for all students? (response limited to 1,500 characters)

1. Tierra Pacifica's entire student body is enrolled in self-contained classrooms. The one exception to this is 8th grade math. Both 8th Grade Common Core Mathematics and Algebra 1 are open to all 8th graders. Tierra Pacifica will track how many students are enrolled in each self-contained classroom, and how many 8th graders are enrolled in each math class.

2. All 155 students at Tierra Pacifica are enrolled in a broad course of study in self-contained classrooms. Currently, fourteen 8th graders are enrolled in Algebra 1 (9th grade math).
3. Due to recent staffing changes, music is not currently being offered to students on a weekly basis, and art and PE are being taught by general ed teachers and volunteers.
4. Tierra Pacifica continues to facilitate volunteer teachers of the arts, languages and physical education, supervised by classroom teachers, to help supplement areas of study covered in self-contained classrooms.

## Coordination of Services for Expelled Students – COE Only (LCFF Priority 9)

**Assess the degree of implementation of the progress in coordinating instruction for expelled students in your county.**

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Coordinating Instruction	1	2	3	4	5
1. Assessing status of triennial plan for providing educational services to all expelled students in the county, including:	[No response required]	[No response required]	[No response required]	[No response required]	[No response required]
a. Review of required outcome data.					
b. Identifying existing educational alternatives for expelled pupils, gaps in educational services to expelled pupils, and strategies for filling those service gaps.					
c. Identifying alternative placements for pupils who are expelled and placed in district community day school programs, but who fail to meet the terms and conditions of their rehabilitation plan or who pose a danger to other district pupils.					
2. Coordinating on development and implementation of triennial plan with all LEAs within the county.					
3. Establishing ongoing collaboration and policy development for transparent referral process for LEAs within the county to the county office of education or other program options, including dissemination to all LEAs within the county a menu of available continuum of services for expelled					

Coordinating Instruction	1	2	3	4	5
students.					
4. Developing memorandum of understanding regarding the coordination of partial credit policies between district of residence and county office of education.					

## Coordination of Services for Foster Youth – COE Only (LCFF Priority 10)

**Assess the degree of implementation of coordinated service program components for foster youth in your county.**

Rating Scale (lowest to highest) -

- 1 - Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 - Beginning Development
- 3 - Initial Implementation
- 4 - Full Implementation
- 5 - Full Implementation and Sustainability

Coordinating Services	1	2	3	4	5
1. Establishing ongoing collaboration and supporting policy development, including establishing formalized information sharing agreements with child welfare, probation, Local Education Agency (LEAs), the courts, and other organizations to support determining the proper educational placement of foster youth (e.g., school of origin versus current residence, comprehensive versus alternative school, and regular versus special education).					
2. Building capacity with LEA, probation, child welfare, and other organizations for purposes of implementing school-based support infrastructure for foster youth intended to improve educational outcomes (e.g., provide regular professional development with the Foster Youth Liaisons to facilitate adequate transportation services for foster youth).					
3. Providing information and assistance to LEAs regarding the educational needs of foster youth in order to improve educational outcomes.					

Coordinating Services	1	2	3	4	5
4. Providing direct educational services for foster youth in LEA or county-operated programs provided the school district has certified that specified services cannot be provided or funded using other sources, including, but not limited to, Local Control Funding Formula, federal, state or local funding.					
5. Establishing ongoing collaboration and supporting development of policies and procedures that facilitate expeditious transfer of records, transcripts, and other relevant educational information.					
6. Facilitating the coordination of post-secondary opportunities for youth by engaging with systems partners, including, but not limited to, child welfare transition planning and independent living services, community colleges or universities, career technical education, and workforce development providers.					
7. Developing strategies to prioritize the needs of foster youth in the community, using community-wide assessments that consider age group, geographical area, and identification of highest needs students based on academic needs and placement type.					
8. Engaging in the process of reviewing plan deliverables and of collecting and analyzing LEA and COE level outcome data for purposes of evaluating effectiveness of support services for foster youth and whether the investment in services contributes to improved educational outcomes for foster youth.					