

# Boulder Creek Elementary School

## School Accountability Report Card

### Reported Using Data from the 2014-15 School Year

#### Published During 2015-16

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 Accountability Plan (LCAP), which describes how they intend to meet annual school-specific goals for all pupils, with specific activities to address state and local priorities. Additionally, data reported in an LCAP is to be consistent with data reported in the SARC.

- For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/>.
- For more information about the LCFF or LCAP, see the CDE LCFF Web page at <http://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 <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/> that contains additional information about this school and comparisons of the school to the district, the county, and the state. 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).

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## **About This School**

#### **Contact Information (Most Recent Year)**

<b>School Contact Information</b>	
<b>School Name</b>	Boulder Creek Elementary School
<b>Street</b>	400 Lomond Street
<b>City, State, Zip</b>	Boulder Creek, CA 95006
<b>Phone Number</b>	(831) 338-6413
<b>Principal</b>	Denise Fosburgh
<b>E-mail Address</b>	dfosburgh@slvusd.org
<b>Web Site</b>	<a href="http://bce.slvusd.org/">http://bce.slvusd.org/</a>
<b>Grades Served</b>	K-5
<b>CDS Code</b>	44-69807-6049837

<b>District Contact Information</b>	
<b>District Name</b>	San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District
<b>Phone Number</b>	(831) 336-5194
<b>Superintendent</b>	Dr. Laurie Bruton
<b>E-mail Address</b>	lbruton@slvusd.org
<b>Web Site</b>	www.slvusd.org

**Mission and Vision Statement (Most Recent Year)**

The mission of the Boulder Creek Elementary School learning community is to cultivate the academic, social and creative excellence of our students.

**Vision**

In order to achieve our mission, we will:

- Collaborate with a focus on student learning
- Partner with families to support the learning of each child
- Engage in ongoing professional development to ensure implementation of research-based, best practices
- Create a safe learning environment

**Values**

**Integrity:** We will be truthful in our words and actions and will honor our agreements

**Mutual respect:** We will act with kindness, caring, courtesy and consideration for others

**Flexibility:** We will work creatively to adapt to changes, problems and new circumstances

**Humor:** We will laugh and have fun without harming others

**Student Enrollment by Grade Level (School Year 2014-15)**

<b>Grade Level</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>
<b>Kindergarten</b>	92
<b>Grade 1</b>	88
<b>Grade 2</b>	91
<b>Grade 3</b>	95
<b>Grade 4</b>	81
<b>Grade 5</b>	84
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	531

### Student Enrollment by Group (School Year 2014-15)

Student Group	Percent of Total Enrollment
Black or African American	1.1
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2
Asian	0.2
Hispanic or Latino	13.9
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2
White	75.5
Two or More Races	8.3
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	23.9
English Learners	2.6
Students with Disabilities	8.5
Foster Youth	1.1

## A. Conditions of Learning

### State Priority: Basic

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Basic State Priority (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			District
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2015-16
With Full Credential	25	24.3	23.8	117.3
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	0
Teaching Outside Subject Area of Competence (with full credential)	0	0	0	0

### Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

Indicator	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
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.

### Core Academic Classes Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers (School Year 2014-15)

Location of Classes	Percent of Classes In Core Academic Subjects	
	Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
This School	100.0	0.0
All Schools in District	100.0	0.0
High-Poverty Schools in District	100.0	0.0
Low-Poverty Schools in District	100.0	0.0

Note: High-poverty schools are defined as those schools with student eligibility of approximately 40 percent or more in the free and reduced price meals program. Low-poverty schools are those with student eligibility of approximately 39 percent or less in the free and reduced price meals program.

## Quality, Currency, Availability of Textbooks and Instructional Materials (School Year 2015-16)

**Year and month in which data were collected:** June, 2015

San Lorenzo Valley Unified held a public hearing on October 7, 2015, and determined that each school within the district had 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 California 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.

Core Curriculum Area	Textbooks and Instructional Materials/ Year of Adoption	From Most Recent Adoption?	Percent of Students Lacking Own Assigned Copy
Reading/Language Arts	Houghton Mifflin: Adopted 2003	Yes	0%
Mathematics	Pearson: enVisions Math: Adopted 2014	Yes	0%
Science	MacMillan/ McGraw Hill: Adopted 2007	Yes	0%
History-Social Science	Scott Foresman: Adopted 2006	Yes	0%

## School Facility Conditions and Planned Improvements (Most Recent Year)

Boulder Creek Elementary School was originally constructed in 1868 and is currently comprised of 23 classrooms, 1 multipurpose room/ cafeteria, 1 library, 1 science room, 1 staff lounge, 1 computer lab, and 2 playgrounds. This year, a new playground structure was constructed on the lower playground. Additionally, a 3-room building was completed that includes a science lab, computer lab and classroom.

**Cleaning Process:** The principal or designee works daily with the custodial staff of 2 (full-time) 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. An online work order process is used to ensure efficient service and the highest priority is given to emergency repairs.

**Deferred Maintenance Budget:** The repeal of Education Code (EC) 17584 in May, 2014, relating to the former Sate School Deferred Maintenance Program contribution created unintended consequences for location educational agencies (LEAs) who chose to continue contribution the required 3% to the fund. Our 2014-15 Restricted Expenditures in Resource 8150 reflected \$677,566.00 and Unrestricted Expenditures in Resource 0825 reflected \$155,778.21. Total Expenditures were \$833,355.21. This total amount includes expenditures for our maintenance department, as well as maintaining all sites/buildings.

The Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) was completed in April, 2015.

(Please note that all actions have been completed by the district maintenance office. The district has developed a plan to address the areas of need. All facilities are in compliance with Williams requirements and are safe for student, staff and community use.)

### School Facility Good Repair Status (Most Recent Year)

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Year and month in which data were collected: April 2015				
System Inspected	Repair Status			Repair Needed and Action Taken or Planned
	Good	Fair	Poor	
<b>Systems:</b> Gas Leaks, Mechanical/HVAC, Sewer	X			
<b>Interior:</b> Interior Surfaces		X		
<b>Cleanliness:</b> Overall Cleanliness, Pest/Vermin Infestation		X		
<b>Electrical:</b> Electrical	X			
<b>Restrooms/Fountains:</b> Restrooms, Sinks/Fountains	X			
<b>Safety:</b> Fire Safety, Hazardous Materials	X			
<b>Structural:</b> Structural Damage, Roofs	X			
<b>External:</b> Playground/School Grounds, Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences			X	Windows have been cleaned. Campus has been pressure washed.

### Overall Facility Rating (Most Recent Year)

Year and month in which data were collected: April 2015				
Overall Rating	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor
				X

## 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], Science California Standards Tests); and
- The percentage of pupils 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

### California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress Results for All Students (School Year 2014-15)

Subject	Percent of Students Meeting or Exceeding the State Standards (grades 3-8 and 11)		
	School	District	State
<b>English Language Arts/Literacy</b>	46	55	44
<b>Mathematics</b>	44	44	33

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.

CAASPP Assessment Results - English Language Arts (ELA)

Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven (School Year 2014-15)

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
All Students	3	95	92	96.8	22	38	25	15
	4	83	79	95.2	25	24	18	32
	5	89	84	94.4	31	19	33	17
Male	3		53	55.8	28	42	17	13
	4		39	47.0	28	26	18	26
	5		36	40.4	28	25	42	6
Female	3		39	41.1	13	33	36	18
	4		40	48.2	23	23	18	38
	5		48	53.9	33	15	27	25
Black or African American	3		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
	5		2	2.2	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native	3		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
Asian	5		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	3		12	12.6	17	50	25	8
	4		14	16.9	43	21	0	29
	5		13	14.6	54	23	15	8
White	3		72	75.8	22	36	26	15
	4		56	67.5	23	25	21	30
	5		60	67.4	25	22	38	15
Two or More Races	3		6	6.3	--	--	--	--
	4		9	10.8	--	--	--	--
	5		7	7.9	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3		28	29.5	32	43	14	11
	4		23	27.7	30	35	17	13
	5		23	25.8	43	22	26	9
English Learners	3		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
	4		2	2.4	--	--	--	--
	5		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	3		7	7.4	--	--	--	--
	4		9	10.8	--	--	--	--
	5		5	5.6	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	3		--	--	--	--	--	--
	4		--	--	--	--	--	--
	5		--	--	--	--	--	--

Double dashes (--) appear in the table when the number of students is ten or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy or to protect student privacy.

Note: The number of students tested includes students that did not receive a score; however, the number of students tested is not the number that was used to calculate the achievement level percentages. The achievement level percentages are calculated using students with scores.

**CAASPP Assessment Results - Mathematics**

**Disaggregated by Student Groups, Grades Three through Eight and Eleven (School Year 2014-15)**

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
All Students	3	95	91	95.8	23	31	32	14
	4	83	79	95.2	15	34	30	20
	5	89	84	94.4	35	31	18	17
Male	3		52	54.7	19	37	27	17
	4		39	47.0	18	36	31	15
	5		36	40.4	36	28	11	25
Female	3		39	41.1	28	23	38	10
	4		40	48.2	13	33	30	25
	5		48	53.9	33	33	23	10
Black or African American	3		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
	5		2	2.2	--	--	--	--
American Indian or Alaska Native	3		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
Asian	5		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
Hispanic or Latino	3		12	12.6	17	50	33	0
	4		14	16.9	50	21	7	21
	5		13	14.6	46	46	8	0
White	3		71	74.7	24	27	34	15
	4		56	67.5	7	39	34	20
	5		60	67.4	32	30	20	18
Two or More Races	3		6	6.3	--	--	--	--
	4		9	10.8	--	--	--	--
	5		7	7.9	--	--	--	--
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	3		27	28.4	22	41	33	4
	4		23	27.7	35	39	17	9
	5		23	25.8	43	35	9	13
English Learners	3		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
	4		2	2.4	--	--	--	--
	5		1	1.1	--	--	--	--
Students with Disabilities	3		7	7.4	--	--	--	--
	4		9	10.8	--	--	--	--
	5		5	5.6	--	--	--	--
Foster Youth	3		--	--	--	--	--	--
	4		--	--	--	--	--	--

Student Group	Grade	Number of Students		Percent of Students				
		Enrolled	Tested	Tested	Standard Not Met	Standard Nearly Met	Standard Met	Standard Exceeded
	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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### California Standards Tests for All Students in Science (Three-Year Comparison)

Subject	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced (meeting or exceeding the state standards)								
	School			District			State		
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
<b>Science (grades 5, 8, and 10)</b>	66	70	66	73	75	71	59	60	56

Note: Scores are not shown 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.

### California Standards Tests Results by Student Group in Science (School Year 2014-15)

Student Group	Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient or Advanced
<b>All Students in the LEA</b>	71
<b>All Students at the School</b>	66
<b>Male</b>	67
<b>Female</b>	65
<b>Black or African American</b>	--
<b>Asian</b>	--
<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	57
<b>White</b>	70
<b>Two or More Races</b>	--
<b>Socioeconomically Disadvantaged</b>	--
<b>English Learners</b>	--
<b>Students with Disabilities</b>	45
<b>Foster Youth</b>	--

Note: Scores are not shown 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.

### California Physical Fitness Test Results (School Year 2014-15)

Grade Level	Percent of Students Meeting Fitness Standards		
	Four of Six Standards	Five of Six Standards	Six of Six Standards
5	22.90	24.10	50.60

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.

## C. Engagement

### State Priority: Parental Involvement

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the Parental Involvement State Priority (Priority 3):

- Efforts the school district makes to seek parent input in making decisions for the school district and each schoolsite.

#### Opportunities for Parental Involvement (Most Recent Year)

Boulder Creek Elementary needs and promotes the involvement of family and community volunteers. Bringing families into school promotes a better understanding between the school and community and directly benefits the instructional program. Volunteer opportunities include helping in the classroom, working in the library, driving on field trips, working on fundraisers, being a room parent, Art Masterpiece, School Garden, Parent Club, Site Council, and campus beautification. If you have some time and would like to volunteer, please contact the school office. You can also check out our website [www.bce.slvusd.org](http://www.bce.slvusd.org) to get more information about how you can support BCE.

### State Priority: School Climate

The SARC provides the following information relevant to the School Climate State Priority (Priority 6):

- Pupil suspension rates;
- Pupil expulsion rates; and
- Other local measures on the sense of safety.

#### Suspensions and Expulsions

Rate	School			District			State		
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
<b>Suspensions</b>	1.84	0.91	1.06	1.92	2.27	2.17	5.07	4.36	3.80
<b>Expulsions</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.13	0.10	0.09

#### School Safety Plan (Most Recent Year)

Safety of students and staff is a primary concern of San Lorenzo Valley Unified . In our annual Parent Survey, approximately 87% of SLVUSD parents responded that they are confident our schools are physically and emotionally safe for their children. 94% of our parents responded that they are confident each site is prepared to meet emergencies effectively. Schools in the district are in compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazardous materials and state earthquake standards. Each site works with the district and county to ensure that there is a Safety Plan at each site. During the fall semester of the new school year all annual 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. Lock down drills are held annually.

Students are supervised before and after school by certificated, classified and/or administrative staff. K - 5 students are supervised by classified staff at lunch; secondary students are supervised by certificated, classified and administrative staff during their lunch. There are two security support staff at the high school. At each school, there is a designated area for student drop off and pick up. Visitors are required to check in at the front office at each site.

## 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.

### Adequate Yearly Progress Overall and by Criteria (School Year 2014-15)

AYP Criteria	School	District	State
Made AYP Overall	Yes	Yes	Yes
Met Participation Rate: English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes	Yes
Met Participation Rate: Mathematics	Yes	Yes	Yes
Met Percent Proficient: English-Language Arts	N/A	N/A	N/A
Met Percent Proficient: Mathematics	N/A	N/A	N/A
Met Attendance Rate	Yes	Yes	Yes
Met Graduation Rate	N/A	Yes	Yes

### Federal Intervention Program (School Year 2015-16)

Indicator	School	District
Program Improvement Status	In PI	Not In PI
First Year of Program Improvement	2013-2014	
Year in Program Improvement*	Year 1	
Number of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	2
Percent of Schools Currently in Program Improvement	N/A	100.0

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

### Average Class Size and Class Size Distribution (Elementary)

Grade Level	2012-13				2013-14				2014-15			
	Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes			Avg. Class Size	Number of Classes		
		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+		1-20	21-32	33+
K	19	1	4		23		4		21	1	4	
1	22		4		22		3		24		4	
2	21		4		19	1	4		23		4	
3	23		3		24		4		22		4	
4	29	2	1	6	26		9		23	1	3	
5	28		9		29		9		48		6	1

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

**Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff (School Year 2014-15)**

Title	Number of FTE Assigned to School	Average Number of Students per Academic Counselor
Academic Counselor	0	0
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0	N/A
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0	N/A
Library Media Services Staff (Paraprofessional)	1	N/A
Psychologist	.5	N/A
Social Worker	0	N/A
Nurse	.20	N/A
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	1	N/A
Resource Specialist	1	N/A
Other		N/A

Note: Cells with N/A values do not require data. 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 2013-14)**

Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supplemental/Restricted	Basic/Unrestricted	
School Site	\$6,001	\$1,180	\$4,821	\$66,559
District	N/A	N/A	\$5,449	\$63,744
Percent Difference: School Site and District	N/A	N/A	-11.5	0.6
State	N/A	N/A	\$5,348	\$65,267
Percent Difference: School Site and State	N/A	N/A		

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

**Types of Services Funded (Fiscal Year 2014-15)**

In addition to general state funding, San Lorenzo Valley Unified receives state and federal funding for the following categorical funds and other support Programs: Title I (K-5 sites), Title II (Professional Development).

BCE receives Title I and Title II funding from the federal government. Title I funds are used to support a K-5 Reading Specialist, math intervention support teacher, and classroom instructional assistants. Title II funds are used to provide teacher staff development in areas such as Reading and Writing Workshops.

Data within the SARC was provided by San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District, retrieved from the 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.

**Teacher and Administrative Salaries (Fiscal Year 2013-14)**

Category	District Amount	State Average for Districts In Same Category
Beginning Teacher Salary	\$34,636	\$40,379
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	\$59,339	\$62,323
Highest Teacher Salary	\$81,681	\$81,127
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	\$96,017	\$99,192
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	\$97,399	\$91,287
Average Principal Salary (High)	\$107,102	\$112,088
Superintendent Salary	\$158,287	\$159,821
Percent of Budget for Teacher Salaries	35%	36%
Percent of Budget for Administrative Salaries	7%	6%

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

**Professional Development (Most Recent Three Years)**

SLVUSD is committed to "leading the learning" and provides multiple opportunities for professional development throughout the year. We believe that the best professional development occurs when educators spend significant time collaborating around four essential questions:

1. What do we want all students to learn?
2. How do we know if students learned?
3. How do we systematically respond when students don't learn?
4. How do we systematically respond when students already know the learning goals?

Because we have aligned our vision on professional learning, SLVUSD teachers and staff meet for an hour each week for grade level and/or department collaboration. Educators analyze the results from student work and then determine instruction that will best meet the needs and strengths of students. Sites use collaboration time to focus on their own professional learning as well. Each site has a focus area for instructional improvement that is developed with the administrator and presented in the site plan and in teacher/administrator goals.

Throughout the year, the district also provides professional development in a variety of avenues. Administrators meet regularly as an Administrative Council to learn with their colleagues about collaboration, instructional strategies and research and leadership. Teacher leaders participate in district teams that focus on technology, instructional strategies, assessment, English learners, gifted education and other key issues that improve classroom and schoolwide learning for all students. SLVUSD staff participates in professional development days at the beginning of the school year and throughout the school year. During 3 days in the fall (2 at the beginning of the school year and 1 in October), teachers and administrators learn together, using research-based information to improve their instructional program and align their curriculum. There is a final professional development day in January for educators to reflect on their current instructional program and develop a plan for the second semester.

BCE Focus: This year, the focus was on Writer's Workshop and math. Teachers continued to work on the implementation of new math adoption, along with learning strategies in Cognitively Guided Instruction. In addition, teacher teams worked together to unpack the Common Core standards in ELA and Math. Teachers created curriculum documents, along with a scope and sequence at each grade level to help guide their instructional practices. BCE serves as a training site for teachers from other schools wanting to learn about the Workshop model.