



Fast Facts About the Redwood City School District (RCSD)

- More than 9,000 kindergarten through 8th grade (K-8) students in 2008/09 in 17 schools:
 - 75% of school-aged children in the RCSD's boundary attend district schools.
 - 61% of students are eligible for the free/reduced lunch program, a federal measure of poverty.
 - 49% of students are English learners.
- 13 schools receive federal Title I funding, which is targeted to improving academic achievement of disadvantaged children, as more than 35% of their student population is eligible for the free/reduced price lunch program.
- In 2007/08, the district's Academic Performance Index (API) was 764, although four schools scored above the state target of 800 and four are within 25 points. The API measures achievement on a series of standardized tests mandated by the state under the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program.
- The RCSD is in its first year of Program Improvement (PI) Status, as defined by the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. This occurred because in 2007/08 not enough students reached NCLB targets for language arts and math, based on their STAR results.
- Total projected budget for 2008/09 is approximately \$84 million and is comprised of funds from state and federal governments:
 - 87% of the total budget is allocated to the General Fund; 83% of the General Fund is used for salaries and benefits.
 - 60% of the General Fund is available for unrestricted or discretionary spending:
 - Most of this money comes from the state according to a Revenue Limit calculation. The Revenue Limit is a per-student figure based on historical formulas, adjusted for Average Daily Attendance (ADA). Each district in the state has a unique Revenue Limit.
 - Because local property taxes do not make up the full Revenue Limit, the state contributes top-up funds, as it does with approximately 94% of districts in the state.
 - In 2008/09, the Revenue Limit for the RCSD was \$5,535 per student, based on an ADA of 96.8%.