

RAVENSWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEPARTMENT OF PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

REPORT OF STANDARDIZED GROUP TESTING FOR THE 1964-65 SCHOOL YEAR

THIS YEAR A CHANGE WAS MADE IN THE DISTRICT'S TESTING PROGRAM. NO STANDARDIZED GROUP ACHIEVEMENT TESTS WERE ADMINISTERED AT THE SECOND OR THIRD GRADE LEVELS. PAST EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT THE MAIN INTEREST IN ACHIEVEMENT AT THESE TWO LEVELS WAS IN THE AREA OF READING. THE GINN ACHIEVEMENT TESTS THAT ARE ADMINISTERED AS PART OF THE READING PROGRAM OFFER THE TEACHERS' MORE USEFUL INFORMATION THAN COULD BE GAINED BY THE STANDARDIZED READING TEST.

THERE IS STILL A NEED FOR EARLY TESTING OF ACADEMIC ABILITY TO ASSIST TEACHERS IN PROVIDING EFFECTIVE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AT THE LEVEL OF THEIR STUDENTS. THEREFORE, THE THIRD GRADE PUPILS OF THE DISTRICT WERE ADMINISTERED THE CALIFORNIA TEST OF MENTAL MATURITY DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1964. THE AVERAGE IQ. FOR THE THIRD GRADERS WAS 98.3 WHICH FALLS WITHIN THE AVERAGE RANGE OF INTELLIGENCE (90-110).

IN OCTOBER, 1964, THE FOURTH GRADE PUPILS WERE ADMINISTERED THE BATTERY OF CALIFORNIA ACHIEVEMENT TESTS. THIS BATTERY MEASURES ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUBJECTS OF READING, ARITHMETIC, AND LANGUAGE ARTS. THE AVERAGE ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL IN THE THREE SUBJECTS MEASURED WAS AS FOLLOWS:

READING ACHIEVEMENT	4.0
ARITHMETIC ACHIEVEMENT	4.0
LANGUAGE ACHIEVEMENT	4.2

THESE RESULTS INDICATE THAT THE FOURTH GRADE PUPILS ARE ACHIEVING, ON THE AVERAGE, AT THE SAME LEVEL AS THE FOURTH GRADE POPULATION UPON WHICH THESE TESTS WERE STANDARDIZED.

THE FIFTH GRADE STUDENTS WERE ADMINISTERED THE CALIFORNIA ACHIEVEMENT TEST BATTERY AND A CALIFORNIA TEST OF MENTAL MATURITY DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1964. THE AVERAGE IQ. FOR THE FIFTH GRADERS WAS 101 WHICH FALLS WITHIN THE AVERAGE RANGE OF INTELLIGENCE (90-110). THE AVERAGE ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE FIFTH GRADERS WAS AS FOLLOWS:

READING ACHIEVEMENT	5.3
ARITHMETIC ACHIEVEMENT	5.2
LANGUAGE ACHIEVEMENT	5.3

IN COMPARING THE ACTUAL ACHIEVEMENT OF THE FIFTH GRADES WITH THE ANTICIPATED ACHIEVEMENT, THE RESULTS OBTAINED SHOW NO DISCREPANCY BETWEEN THE EXPECTED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT AND THAT WHICH WAS ACTUALLY OBTAINED.

AT THE SIXTH GRADE LEVEL THE STUDENTS WERE ADMINISTERED ONLY THE CALIFORNIA ACHIEVEMENT TEST BATTERY. THE RESULTS OBTAINED FROM THESE TESTS INDICATED THE FOLLOWING ACHIEVEMENT.

READING ACHIEVEMENT	5.8
ARITHMETIC ACHIEVEMENT	5.7
LANGUAGE ACHIEVEMENT	5.9

THE AVERAGE ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE SIXTH GRADERS OF THIS DISTRICT IS BELOW THAT OF THE SIXTH GRADE POPULATION USED TO DEVELOP THE NORMS FOR THE TESTS USED.

THE SEVENTH GRADE STUDENTS WERE ADMINISTERED BOTH THE CALIFORNIA ACHIEVEMENT TEST BATTERY AND A CALIFORNIA TEST OF MENTAL MATURITY IN OCTOBER, 1964. THE PRESENT RESULTS INDICATE THAT THE AVERAGE IQ. FOR THE SEVENTH GRADE WAS 98, WHICH FALLS WITHIN THE AVERAGE RANGE OF INTELLIGENCE. IN THE THREE SUBJECTS THAT WERE MEASURED, THE FOLLOWING RESULTS WERE OBTAINED:

READING ACHIEVEMENT	7.1
ARITHMETIC ACHIEVEMENT	6.6
LANGUAGE ACHIEVEMENT	6.9

IN COMPARING THE ANTICIPATED ACHIEVEMENT WITH THE ACTUALLY OBTAINED ONE, IT WAS NOTICED THAT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ARITHMETIC ACHIEVEMENT WHICH WAS APPROXIMATELY 4 MONTHS BELOW THE ANTICIPATED LEVEL, THE OTHER TWO SUBJECTS SHOWED NO DISCREPANCY.

THE EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS WERE ADMINISTERED THE CALIFORNIA ACHIEVEMENT TEST BATTERY IN OCTOBER, 1964 WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:

READING ACHIEVEMENT	7.9
ARITHMETIC ACHIEVEMENT	7.6
LANGUAGE ACHIEVEMENT	7.7

THE AVERAGE ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL FOR THE EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS WAS BELOW THE NATIONAL NORMS PUBLISHED BY THE TEST COMPANY.

THESE TEST DATA INDICATED THAT THE STUDENTS IN RAVENSWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN GRADES THREE, FIVE, AND SEVEN SHOW AN AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENT VERY SIMILAR TO THE AVERAGE IQ. FOR OTHER STUDENTS IN THE SAME GRADES THROUGHOUT THE NATION. RESULTS SHOWED A TENDENCY FOR THE AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENT TO BE LOWER AT THE SEVENTH GRADE WHEN COMPARED WITH THE FIFTH GRADE, BUT THE SEVENTH GRADE RESULTS WERE ALMOST IDENTICAL WITH THOSE OF THE THIRD GRADE. AT THE FIFTH GRADE LEVEL, THE ONLY LEVEL IN WHICH WE HAVE COMPARATIVE DATA, THE STUDENTS OF THIS DISTRICT MEASURE BELOW OTHER FIFTH GRADERS IN CALIFORNIA IN INTELLECTUAL ABILITY.

THE ACHIEVEMENT TEST RESULTS FOR THE PUPILS IN GRADES FOUR, FIVE, AND SEVEN (EXCEPT IN ARITHMETIC AT THE 7TH GRADE LEVEL) SHOWS THAT THE STUDENTS OF THIS DISTRICT ARE ACHIEVING AT A LEVEL CONSISTENT WITH THEIR GRADE PLACEMENT. AT THE SIXTH AND EIGHTH GRADE LEVEL, THE AVERAGE ACHIEVEMENT IN READING AND LANGUAGE IS SLIGHTLY BELOW GRADE LEVEL AND MODERATELY BELOW IN THE AREA OF ARITHMETIC.

IN COMPARING THE ACHIEVEMENT RESULTS AT THE FIFTH AND EIGHTH GRADE LEVELS, THE STUDENTS IN THIS DISTRICT ARE ACHIEVING BELOW THE AVERAGE FIFTH AND EIGHTH GRADERS IN CALIFORNIA. THESE RESULTS ARE NOT SURPRISING IN VIEW OF THE LOWER AVERAGE ABILITY LEVEL OF THESE PUPILS, THE HIGHER MOBILITY OF THIS POPULATION, AND THE HIGHER INCIDENCE OF PUPILS FROM CULTURALLY DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS.

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THIRD GRADE GROUP ABILITY TEST RESULTS
OCTOBER, 1964

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>AVERAGE IQ.</u>
BELLE HAVEN	97
BRENTWOOD	94
COSTANO	105
FLOOD	117
KAVANAUGH	97
O'CONNOR	97
RAVENSWOOD	95
WILLOW	105
<u>TOTAL DISTRICT</u>	98.3

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FOURTH GRADE ACHIEVEMENT TEST RESULTS
OCTOBER, 1964

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>READING</u>	<u>ARITHMETIC</u>	<u>LANGUAGE</u>
BELLE HAVEN	3.2	3.8	3.8
BRENTWOOD	3.9	4.0	4.1
COSTANO	4.2	3.9	4.4
FLOOD	5.2	4.5	4.9
KAVANAUGH	4.1	4.0	4.4
O'CONNOR	3.8	3.5	3.7
RAVENSWOOD	3.6	4.1	4.0
WILLOW	4.8	4.5	4.7
<u>TOTAL DISTRICT</u>	4.0	4.0	4.2

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FIFTH GRADE STANDARDIZED TEST RESULTS
OCTOBER, 1964

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>Av. IQ.</u>	<u>READING</u>		<u>ARITHMETIC</u>		<u>LANGUAGE</u>	
		<u>ANT.</u>	<u>ACT.</u>	<u>ANT.</u>	<u>ACT.</u>	<u>ANT.</u>	<u>ACT.</u>
BELLE HAVEN	96	5.0	4.8	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.8
BRENTWOOD	98	5.0	4.7	5.0	4.6	5.0	4.7
FLOOD	111	5.9	6.5	5.7	5.9	5.9	6.4
COSTANO	108	5.5	5.8	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.8
GARDEN OAKS	94	4.8	4.6	4.9	4.6	4.8	4.8
KAVANAUGH	96	4.8	5.0	4.9	5.1	4.8	5.1
O'CONNOR	98	5.0	5.4	5.0	5.3	5.0	5.4
RAVENSWOOD	99	5.1	4.7	5.1	4.9	5.1	4.9
WILLOW	112	6.0	6.2	5.7	5.8	5.9	6.0
<u>TOTAL DISTRICT</u>	101	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.3	5.3
*STATE AVERAGE	106		5.9		5.7		5.9

*BASED ON TEST RESULTS REPORTED IN FALL, 1963

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SIXTH GRADE ACHIEVEMENT TEST RESULTS
OCTOBER, 1964

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>READING</u>	<u>ARITHMETIC</u>	<u>LANGUAGE</u>
BELLE HAVEN	4.8	5.2	5.2
COSTANO	6.6	6.4	6.6
FLOOD	7.0	6.6	6.9
GARDEN OAKS	5.3	5.3	5.4
GREEN OAKS	5.0	5.1	5.2
KAVANAUGH	5.7	5.6	5.7
O'CONNOR	7.3	6.4	6.8
RAVENSWOOD	6.4	5.9	6.5
WILLOW	6.1	5.9	6.0
<u>TOTAL DISTRICT</u>	5.8	5.7	5.9

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SEVENTH GRADE STANDARDIZED TEST RESULTS
OCTOBER, 1964

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>Av. IQ.</u>	<u>READING</u>		<u>ARITHMETIC</u>		<u>LANGUAGE</u>	
		<u>ANT.</u>	<u>ACT.</u>	<u>ANT.</u>	<u>ACT.</u>	<u>ANT.</u>	<u>ACT.</u>
GARDEN OAKS	92	6.7	6.7	6.8	6.3	6.6	6.5
GREEN OAKS	96	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.4	6.8	6.8
MENLO OAKS	105	7.5	8.0	7.4	7.0	7.5	7.6
<u>TOTAL DISTRICT</u>	98	7.0	7.1	7.0	6.6	6.9	6.9

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EIGHTH GRADE TEST RESULTS
OCTOBER, 1964

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>READING</u>	<u>ARITHMETIC</u>	<u>LANGUAGE</u>
GREEN OAKS	7.3	7.1	7.2
MENLO OAKS	8.8	8.2	8.5
GARDEN OAKS	7.7	7.6	7.5
<u>TOTAL DISTRICT</u>	7.9	7.6	7.7
*STATE AVERAGE	8.5	8.3	8.4

*BASED ON TEST RESULTS REPORTED IN FALL, 1963