

RAVENSWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
May 22, 1970

A Report of Testing Conducted Under the Miller-Unruh Basic Reading Act 1965

The Miller-Unruh Basic Reading Act of 1965 requires each school district in California to test pupils in grades 1, 2, and 3 during May of each year. When the Act was first legislated, each district was required to use the Stanford Reading Test. Recent legislative changes have resulted in the phasing in of the Cooperative Primary Reading Test and the phasing out of the Stanford Reading Test. Therefore, this year the pupils in grades 1 were administered the Cooperative Primary Reading Test while pupils in grades 2 and 3 continued to be tested on the Stanford Reading Test. Another change that occurred for this year's testing program was the time that the tests were to be administered. In the past years the reading tests were administered during the last ten days in May. This year the school districts were required to administer the tests during the first ten school days in May.

The test results for Grade 1 showed that there was an average gain of two months from (1.7) to (1.9) for the first grades in the district. It is further significant that in each school in the district there was at least one month's growth over last year's scores. While there was an overall average of two months growth for all first graders, one school (Flood) made five months growth and two other schools (Belle Haven and Runnymede) made three months growth over previous years. It is also significant that since the testing occurred during the first ten days of May the national norm for first graders at this time would be 1.8 and since the average for the Ravenswood School District's first graders is 1.9, first grade children are achieving one month above the national norms (and even more above state norms).

The second grade students were administered the Stanford Reading Test and

their results showed an average of two months growth for the district over last year's results. Each school made at least one month's growth over last year's results. One school (Belle Haven) made six months growth over last year. Another school (Willow) made five months growth while two additional schools (Kavanaugh and Flood) made, on the average, four months growth over last year. Not only did the children make, on the average, two months more growth this year than was measured last year, but in comparison to the state norms for California the Ravenswood District is achieving one month ahead of the norms for the state.

The third grade students in the Ravenswood District were administered the Stanford Reading Test and the overall grade placement showed one month growth over last year's results. In analyzing the results of the different schools it was noted that there was a great variance among the different schools as two schools, Belle Haven and Costano, showed an average decrease in their achievement for this year as compared to last year's results. On the other hand, two other schools (Brentwood and Runnymede) showed great gains when comparing the average results for this year to the average result of last year. Although the district showed an average gain of one month between this year's results as compared to last year's results, it is still functioning approximately three months below the state norms for this grade level.(see introductory statement)

In comparing the reading results for this school district over the last three years one sees a noticeable change in an upward direction which is quite prevalent in the first two grades and is only slightly noticeable in the third grade. These results may be a reflection of the district's adoption of Lippincott as its basic reading program, for this program is currently being used in grades 1 and 2 and will be introduced in the third grades during the 1970-71 school year.

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Department of Pupil Personnel Services

REPORT OF STANDARDIZED GROUP TESTING FOR THE 1967-68 SCHOOL YEAR

FIFTH GRADE  
BASED ON OCTOBER 1967 TEST RESULTS

SCHOOL	PARA. MEAN.		WORD MEAN.		SPELLING		WORD STUDY SKILLS		LANGUAGE		ARITH. CONCEPTS		ARITH. COMP.		ARITH. APPLICATION	
	*1966	1967	*1966	1967	*1966	1967	*1966	1967	*1966	1967	*1966	1967	*1966	1967	*1966	1967
BELLE HAVEN	2.4	3.2	2.7	3.5	2.6	3.7	2.1	2.7	2.5	2.8	2.5	3.3	2.9	3.6		3.4
BRENTWOOD	2.6	3.7	2.8	3.8	3.1	4.0	2.4	3.0	2.8	2.9	2.7	3.0	2.9	3.8		3.4
COSTANO	2.9	3.2	3.0	3.5	3.2	3.8	2.6	2.7	3.0	2.7	2.7	3.0	2.8	3.7		3.6
FLOOD	3.5	4.8	3.6	4.7	3.5	4.5	3.3	4.0	3.7	3.7	4.0	5.2	3.6	4.4		4.6
KAVANAUGH	2.6	3.4	2.8	3.5	2.9	3.8	2.4	3.0	2.7	3.0	2.6	3.0	2.8	3.7		3.6
O'CONNOR	3.2	3.8	3.1	3.9	3.0	4.0	2.7	3.7	2.9	3.3	3.1	4.0	3.1	3.8		3.8
RAVENSWOOD	2.4	4.0	2.7	3.8	2.9	3.8	2.2	3.4	2.4	3.2	2.5	3.3	2.8	3.9		3.9
RUNNYMEDE	2.7	4.1	3.0	4.1	3.0	4.2	2.6	3.7	2.8	3.3	3.0	4.3	3.2	4.3		4.0
WILLOW	3.4	5.0	3.3	5.1	3.4	4.6	3.1	4.6	3.1	4.4	4.0	5.4	4.3	4.6		5.3
DISTRICT TOTAL	2.8	3.8	2.9	3.8	3.0	4.0	2.5	3.2	2.9	3.1	2.8	3.6	3.0	3.9		3.9

\* Based on 4th Grade Stanford Achievement Test Scores

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A COMPARISON OF RESULTS ON THE STANFORD READING TEST 1966-69

<u>GRADE 7</u>			
<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>10/66</u> <u>AVERAGE</u>	<u>10/67</u> <u>AVERAGE</u>	<u>1/69</u> <u>AVERAGE</u>
Garden Oaks	5.2	5.2	4.9
Green Oaks	5.0	5.3	4.7
Menlo Oaks	6.4	6.2	5.8
<u>Total District</u>	<u>5.4</u>	<u>5.4</u>	<u>5.0</u>
National Average	7.1	7.1	7.5

RESULTS OF STANFORD READING TEST

JANUARY 1969

<u>GRADE 8</u>	
<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>GRADE</u> <u>AVERAGE</u>
Garden Oaks	5.3
Green Oaks	5.1
Menlo Oaks	6.0
<u>Total District</u>	<u>5.4</u>
National Average	8.5

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STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT TEST

TOTAL SIXTH GRADE READING GRADE PLACEMENT 1967-68

SCHOOL

GRADE PLACEMENT

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
BELLE HAVEN	4.1	4.2	4.2
ERENTWOOD	4.1	4.4	4.5
COSTANO	4.2	4.7	3.9
FLOOD	6.8	5.7	5.9
KAVANAUGH	4.6	4.6	4.2
O'CONNOR	4.5	4.9	5.0
RUNNYMEDE	4.7	4.4	4.9
WILLOW	6.0	4.7	5.5
<b>TOTAL DISTRICT</b>	<u>4.7</u>	<u>4.6</u>	<u>4.7</u>

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Pupil Personnel Services

FIFTH GRADE STANFORD READING TEST SCORES

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>PARA. MEAN.</u>		<u>WORD MEAN.</u>		<u>TOTAL READ. 1968</u>
	<u>*1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>*1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	
Belle Haven	2.4	3.2	2.7	3.5	
Brentwood	2.6	3.7	2.8	3.8	
Costano	2.9	3.2	3.0	3.5	
Flood	3.5	4.8	3.6	4.7	
Kavanaugh	2.6	3.4	2.8	3.5	4.1
O'Connor	3.2	3.8	3.1	3.9	
Ravenswood	2.4	4.0	2.7	3.8	
Runnymede	2.7	4.1	3.0	4.1	
Willow	3.4	5.0	3.3	5.1	
<u>District Total</u>	<u>2.8</u>	<u>3.8</u>	<u>2.9</u>	<u>3.8</u>	
National Average	4.1	5.1	4.1	5.1	

\*Based on 4th grade Stanford Achievement Test scores.

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THIRD GRADE READING TEST RESULTS--STANFORD READING  
COMPARISON OF SCORES SPRING, 1967-68

<u>School</u>	<u>1967 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>1968 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>10/68 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>National Average</u>
Dalle Haven	2.8	2.7	2.3	3.9
Brentwood	2.9	2.9	2.4	3.9
Costano	2.8	2.8	2.2	3.9
Flood	3.8	3.6	3.0	3.9
Kavanaugh	2.9	2.9	2.3	3.9
O'Connor	3.1	3.0	2.7	3.9
Ravenswood	2.7	2.8	2.7	3.9
Runnymede	3.1	3.5	2.5	3.9
Willow	3.2	3.4	2.4	3.9
<u>District</u>	<u>3.0</u>	<u>3.0</u>	<u>2.5</u>	<u>3.9</u>
		Nat. Av.	3.1	

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**A COMPARISON OF AVERAGE GRADE PLACEMENT SCORES IN READING FOR FIRST GRADE  
PUPILS OF THE RAVENSWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BETWEEN 1966-1969**

<u>School</u>	<u>1966 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>1967 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>1968 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>1/69* Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>National Average</u>
Belle Haven	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.9
Brentwood	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.9
Costano	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.9
Flood	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.9
Kavanaugh	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.9
O'Connor	1.8	1.9	2.1	1.9	1.9
Runnymede	---	1.6	1.7	1.4	1.9
Ravenswood	1.4	1.7	1.6	---	1.9
Willow	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.9
<u>District</u>	<u>1.6</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>1.9</u>
			Nat. Av.	1.5	

\*January testing does not include Jr. 1st pupils and pupils using the I.T.A. instruction.

**A COMPARISON OF AVERAGE GRADE PLACEMENT SCORES IN READING FOR SECOND GRADE  
PUPILS OF THE RAVENSWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BETWEEN 1966-1968**

<u>School</u>	<u>1966 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>1967 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>1968 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>10/68 Average Grade Placement</u>	<u>National Average</u>
Belle Haven	1.9	2.3	2.4	1.6	2.9
Brentwood	2.2	2.4	2.3	1.8	2.9
Costano	2.0	2.2	2.2	1.6	2.9
Flood	2.6	2.8	2.8	1.8	2.9
Kavanaugh	2.2	2.4	2.3	1.7	2.9
O'Connor	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.0	2.9
Ravenswood	2.0	2.4	2.4	1.6	2.9
Runnymede	---	2.3	2.6	1.7	2.9
Willow	2.5	2.7	2.4	1.8	2.9
<u>District</u>	<u>2.2</u>	<u>2.4</u>	<u>2.4</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<u>2.9</u>
			Nat Av.	2.1	

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DISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICT IQ SCORES 1968-69

Grade 6 Lorge-Thorndike Intelligence Test, Form 1, Level D, Verbal Battery

<u>SCHOOL</u>	1968 <u>AVERAGE IQ</u>	1969 <u>AVERAGE IQ</u>
Belle Haven	87	86
Brentwood	88	90
Costano	92	83
Flood	103	103
Kavanaugh	89	89
O'Connor	96	97
Runnymede	87	93
Willow	93	101
Total District IQ	91	91

STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT TEST

TOTAL SIXTH GRADE READING GRADE PLACEMENT 1967-68

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>GRADE PLACEMENT</u>	
	* <u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>
BELLE HAVEN	4.1	4.2
BRENTWOOD	4.1	4.4
GOSTANO	4.2	4.7
FLOOD	6.3	5.7
KAVANAUGH	4.6	4.6
O'CONNOR	4.5	4.9
RUNNYMEDE	4.7	4.4
WILLOW	6.0	4.7
TOTAL DISTRICT	4.7	4.6

\* Based on 6th Grade Stanford Reading Test