

ARIZONA SCHOOL REPORT CARD 2002-03

Achievement Profile¹:

Gila Vista Junior High School

- Excelling
- Improving
- Maintaining Performance
- Underperforming
- Extremely Small School

Yuma Elementary District
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2002 Enrollment: 539
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∨ School Overview ∨

Mission

It is the purpose of Gila Vista Junior High School to provide the best educational opportunities possible. Through the utilization of family involvement, community resources and the outstanding capabilities of our students and staff, our mission is; a shared commitment to create and maintain a middle school built on service and focused on excellence.

Organization and Philosophy

- w Literacy for All Students
- w Interdisciplinary Teaming
- w Curriculum Integration
- w Middle School Concept

Instructional Programs

- w Gifted
- w SRA Corrective Reading Program
- w Elective Classes by Semester
- w On-site Special Education
- w EL
- w Scholastic Reading Counts
- w Writing Up A Storm
- w Academic Pentathlon

School/Academic Goals

- w Gila Vista will establish quality educational programs that are congruent with the Arizona Academic Standards.
- w Students will demonstrate quality work in reading, writing and mathematics that will place them on or above grade level by the end of the eighth grade.
- w All staff will participate in continuous professional development in the areas of instruction, assessment and technology.
- w Members of the Gila Vista community will develop and exhibit quality relationships marked by mutual respect and individual responsibility.

Enrollment

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| October 1, 2001 School Year Student Enrollment: | 525 |
| Accepting New Students in 2002-03 Under Open Enrollment Law ² : | Yes |
| Number of Students Attending Under Open Enrollment in 2001-02: | 26 |

¹ For an explanation of the Achievement Profiles, please visit <http://www.ade.az.gov/azlearns>.

² Under ARS§15-816, school district governing boards must implement open enrollment programs and establish policies covering admission criteria, application procedures and transportation provisions. For more information, contact the school district office.

∨ **School Site Council** ∨

Council Composition

- 2 School Administrator(s)
- 1 Non-certified Employee(s)
- 6 Teacher(s)
- 3 Parent(s)
- 1 Community Member(s)
- 2 Student(s)

Council Duties

- w Budget
- w Communication Issues
- w Curriculum Support
- w Extracurricular Activities
- w School Safety Issues
- w School Climate

∨ **Staffing Information** ∨

School administration and instruction for school year 2002-03 are provided by:

| Position | Number | Position | Number |
|--------------------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| Administrator | 2.00 | Teacher | 34.00 |
| Other Professional Staff | 3.00 | Teacher Aide | 9.00 |

Educational Attainment by Years of Teaching Experience of Current Teaching Staff

| Experience | Degree | | | |
|------------------|------------|----------|-----------|-------|
| | Bachelor's | Master's | Doctorate | Other |
| 3 or fewer years | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 to 6 years | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 to 9 years | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 or more years | 4 | 12 | 0 | 0 |

∨ **Shared Responsibilities** ∨

School

Gila Vista provides quality education in a safe environment. Every student is given a planner and taught to use it to keep track of school work and events. Team conferencing with parents and frequent parental contact encompass positive events as well as educational or discipline process issues. Midterm progress reports and report cards, both with comments, help keep parents informed.

Parents

We expect parents to communicate family needs to the school, support and participate in the educational program, insist on attendance and set high expectations for their children. We encourage parent involvement in conference attendance, student use of the planner, Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO), chaperoning activities, coaching, tutoring, volunteering, intramurals, and transporting students to and from extracurricular activities.

∨ **Transportation Policy** ∨

Busing is provided for attendance area students living one mile or more from school. Special education students whose IEPs call for transportation receive district transportation as well.

∨ Indicators of Success ∨

Information provided on this page is based on historical data, primarily from the previous school year, 2001-02.

2001-02 School Achievements/Accomplishments

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| <p>W Twenty-seven percent of our students made honor roll with a 3.0 or better GPA each of the four quarters for the 2001-02 school year.</p> | <p>W Eleven percent of our students had perfect attendance for the 2001-02 school year.</p> |
| <p>W Two percent of our students made straight A's each of the four grading periods in the 2001-02 school year.</p> | <p>W An afterschool program, focused on literacy achievement and enrichment, served up to 120 students three days per week. The students who participated in this program improved their attendance at school, as well as their academic success.</p> |

Student Information: 2001-02 Student Activity Rates

| | School | Arizona | | |
|--|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| | | K-6 | 7-8 | 9-12 |
| Attendance Rate | 94.0 % | 95.0 % | 94.0 % | 94.0 % |
| Transfers Out ³ | 12.6 % | 19.6 % | 19.5 % | 20.5 % |
| Transfers In ⁴ : Within District | 2.7 % | 2.7 % | 2.2 % | 2.0 % |
| Transfers In ⁴ : Out-of-District | 11.6 % | 9.7 % | 9.6 % | 9.5 % |
| Promotion Rate ⁵ | 99.6 % | 98.4 % | 97.8 % | 94.8 % |
| Retention Rate ⁶ | 0.4 % | 1.5 % | 2.1 % | 5.2 % |
| Dropout Rate ⁷ | NA | | | 9.5 % |
| Status Unknown ⁸ | NA | | | 6.0 % |

Students reported as "dropouts" who may have returned to school for the following academic year are not accounted for in this report.

³ Transfers Out: Percentage of accountable students withdrawing to continue studies in another school or to be taught at home for the 2001-02 school year.

⁴ Transfers In: Within District: Percentage of accountable students entering school who were previously enrolled in another Arizona public school within the school district during the 2001-02 school year. Out-of-District: Percentage of accountable students entering school who were previously enrolled in another school district during the 2001-02 school year.

⁵ Promotion Rate: Percentage of students promoted to the next grade or who met graduation requirements and received a traditional diploma at the end of the 2001-02 school year. Percentage includes students who left school at age 22 or who had completed school and received a non-traditional diploma.

⁶ Retention Rate: Percentage of students retained at the end of the 2001-02 school year.

⁷ Dropout Rate: Percentage of students counted as withdrawn due to chronic illness, expulsion or dropping out during the 2000-01 school year, to include activity during the summer of 2001. This rate includes students who were withdrawn after 10 consecutive days of unexcused absences or were coded by the school as "status unknown." The Promotion Rate, Retention Rate, Dropout Rate and Status Unknown Rate may not add to 100% due to the inclusion of summer activity in the Dropout Rate and the Status Unknown Rate but not in the Promotion Rate and Retention Rate. Data for 2001-02 is not yet available.

⁸ Status Unknown: Percentage of students unaccounted for by any method during the 2001-02 school year. Status unknown students are not necessarily dropouts.

∨ School Honors ∨

Awards or special recognition honors received by the school, staff or students:

| Award/Honor | Year |
|---|------|
| Academic Pentathlon District Champ 1994-99 | 1999 |
| Odyssey of the Mind - 1st Place State | 1999 |
| MathCounts - 1st Place | 2000 |
| Athletic Championships-Softball/Basketball/Cheerleading | 2002 |

∨ Academic Achievement Indicators ∨

Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) is designed to measure student achievement of the Arizona Academic Standards. Effective with the high school Class of 2006 (eighth graders in 2001-02), students must "Meet the Standard" or "Exceed the Standard" on all portions of AIMS or pass an AIMS Equivalent Demonstration (subject to approval by the state Board of Education) in order to be eligible for a high school diploma. High school students who did not attain "Meets the Standard" or "Exceeds the Standard" in reading, writing and mathematics will have additional opportunities to retake the test in their junior and senior years. Students in grades 3, 5, and 8 also take AIMS.

AIMS Results ¹, 2001-02

| Grade 8 | | Number Tested | MS | FFB | A | M | E |
|-------------|--------|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Reading | School | 232 | 487 | 35% | 27% | 29% | 9% |
| | State | 57484 | 504 | 24% | 20% | 40% | 16% |
| Writing | School | 219 | 475 | 26% | 49% | 24% | 1% |
| | State | 55420 | 493 | 15% | 42% | 41% | 2% |
| Mathematics | School | 236 | 434 | 58% | 31% | 9% | 2% |
| | State | 57734 | 459 | 39% | 40% | 14% | 7% |

Legend

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| MS | - The Mean Scale Score (average) on a 200-800 scale. A student must have achieved a scale score of 500 to meet the standard. Scale scores are not comparable among content areas. |
| FFB | - Percent of students who Fell Far Below the standard |
| A | - Percent of students who Approached the standard |
| M | - Percent of students who Met the standard |
| E | - Percent of students who Exceeded the standard |

¹Results reflect student performance on the English form of AIMS.

²Class of 2003 is the cohort of students who began 9th grade during the 1999-2000 school year.

Items of data containing information about fewer than ten students have been replaced with () to protect student privacy.

--Some columns contain dashes (--) to indicate "not applicable" or "no data available."

∨ Mathematics Education and AIMS ∨

On April 24, 2000, the state Board of Education amended the high school graduation requirements to include the following: "Effective with the graduating class of 2004, the two required math credits shall be taken consecutively beginning with the ninth grade and course content shall reflect Academic Standards preparation for proficiency at the high school level." Parents should verify with the school that their ninth grade students are enrolled in one or more mathematics courses that provide instruction in the state Board-adopted mathematics standards that lead to proficiency in high school. Students who begin the ninth grade during the 2001-02 school year should be enrolled in a mathematics sequence that is aligned to the state's mathematics standards and includes instruction in the concepts and performance objectives that will be assessed by AIMS. The Board's amendment to the high school graduation requirements should not be interpreted to mean that all ninth grade students must be enrolled in any *particular* course. **The Board's intent is to assure that all ninth grade students are enrolled in courses that prepare students for success on AIMS.**

∨ Academic Achievement Indicators ∨

Since 1997, students have been tested in reading, language and mathematics using the *Stanford Achievement Test, Ninth Edition*, a standardized, nationally norm-referenced test. Since 1999, all students in grades 2 through 9 have been tested using the Stanford 9, though other grades have been tested in the past (grades 10-12 in 1997 and 1998, grades 10-11 in 1999 and 2000, and grade 1 reading in 2001).

The percentage (%) of eligible students tested and the school's percentile ranks are presented below. State average percentile ranks (AZ) are provided for comparison. Note that the average percentile ranks for the nation are 50 for all content areas in all grades.

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), no individually identifiable references to students may be made. Therefore, items of data containing information about fewer than ten students have been replaced with (**) to protect student privacy. Some columns contain dashes (--) to indicate "not applicable" or "no data available."

Stanford 9 Percentile Rank Scores

| Grade | Content Area | 1997-1998 | | | 1998-1999 | | | 1999-2000 | | | 2000-2001 | | | 2001-2002 | | |
|-------|--------------|-----------|-------|----|-----------|-------|----|-----------|-------|----|-----------|-------|----|-----------|-------|----|
| | | % | Score | AZ |
| 7 | Reading | 89 | 42 | 52 | 100 | 36 | 53 | 98 | 38 | 52 | 92 | 34 | 53 | 87 | 38 | 55 |
| | Language | 95 | 38 | 52 | 100 | 36 | 54 | 98 | 42 | 54 | 94 | 35 | 55 | 90 | 43 | 58 |
| | Mathematics | 92 | 43 | 53 | 100 | 39 | 55 | 98 | 42 | 56 | 96 | 37 | 58 | 93 | 39 | 60 |
| 8 | Reading | 92 | 43 | 54 | 100 | 40 | 54 | 95 | 41 | 53 | 92 | 40 | 55 | 90 | 45 | 56 |
| | Language | 99 | 32 | 46 | 100 | 32 | 49 | 95 | 37 | 49 | 93 | 32 | 50 | 90 | 33 | 52 |
| | Mathematics | 99 | 39 | 52 | 100 | 41 | 54 | 95 | 43 | 56 | 94 | 39 | 58 | 94 | 42 | 59 |

∨ **Measure of Academic Progress** ∨

Arizona's Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) is an indicator of student academic growth from one year to the next. The results are based on the *Stanford Achievement Test, Ninth Edition* (Stanford 9), given in 2001 and 2002. MAP includes only those students who were tested both years in consecutive grade levels at the same school or who started the school year in the same school in which they were tested in 2002. A student achieves One Year's Growth (OYG) if he or she remains in the same Stanine⁹ or advances a Stanine from one year to the next. The percentage of students achieving OYG at the school is reported below.

⁹ Stanines are normalized standard scores that range from a low of 1 to a high of 9, with 5 designating average performance. National Stanines, like National Percentile Ranks, indicate a student's relative standing in the national norm group (Source: Harcourt Educational Measurement).

The MAP is an elementary school (Grades 2-8) indicator only.

| | Reading | Math |
|-------------------|---|---|
| | Percentage of Students Achieving One Year's Growth | Percentage of Students Achieving One Year's Growth |
| Grades 6-7 | 62 | 39 |
| Grades 7-8 | 87 | 77 |
| | *Less than 10 students matched | **No information available |
| | | ***Not applicable |

∨ **School Safety** ∨

The purpose of this section is to provide parents information about what the school is doing to promote a safe and healthy learning environment.

School-level Efforts to Ensure a Safe and Healthy Learning Environment

Gila Vista has adopted Crisis Management Procedures, with which all teachers are familiar. These procedures address a variety of crisis situations and give specific directives regarding actions to be taken. We also have a School Resource Officer and a Probation Officer assigned to our campus to promote safety; provide law-related education; encourage abstinence from tobacco, drugs and alcohol; and to assist with security issues, if necessary.

Total number of incidents that occurred on the school grounds that required the intervention of local, state or federal law enforcement (A.R.S. § 15-746.6).

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School uniforms are not required at this school.

The Arizona Attorney General's Office has a hotline that allows students to report suspicious activities at schools and to get help with potentially violent situations, such as bullying, harassment, hate crimes, discrimination and gangs. The toll-free number, **1-877-900-1086**, is anonymous and available 24 hours a day.

∨ Per Pupil and School Expenditures for the 2000-2001 School Year ∨

| Expenditure Category | *Per Pupil Expenditures by Category | School Expenditures by Category |
|---|--|--|
| Classroom Instruction | \$2,079 | \$1,037,363 |
| Classroom Supplies | NDS | NDS |
| Administration | \$425 | \$212,204 |
| Support Services-Students | \$113 | \$56,402 |
| Other Support Services and Operations | \$615 | \$306,879 |
| Total Expenditures- All Categories 2000-2001 | NDS | NDS |

Total Expenditures may not be exact because of rounding.
Information is self-reported by the district and is unaudited.

* Based upon 2000-2001 Average Daily Membership (ADM).
(School Expenditures divided by ADM)

**Due to technical difficulties, data for multiple charter school sites is not available.

These are maintenance and operation expenditures and do not include capital expenditures such as facilities construction and buses. Classroom Instruction includes activities dealing directly with the interaction between teachers and students. It also includes activities of aides or classroom assistants that are involved in the instructional process. Classroom Supplies includes costs for items that are consumed, worn out or have deteriorated through use; or items that lose their identity through fabrication or incorporation into different or more complex units or substance. Administration includes governing board services, executive administration services, lobbying, office of the principal services and other support services for school administration. Support Services-Students includes attendance and social work, guidance, health, psychological, speech pathology, audiology services and other support services for students. Other Support Services and Operations includes support services for instructional staff, business support services, operation and maintenance of plant services, student transportation services, central support services, other support services, food service operation and bookstore operations.

∨ Contacts ∨

| | Name | Phone | Extension |
|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|
| School Site Council | Rusty Tyndall | (928) 782-5174 | |
| Transportation Policy | Tom Rushin | (928) 782-6581 | 308 |
| Community Resources | Rusty Tyndall | (928) 782-5174 | |
| School Nutrition Programs | Karen Johnson | (928) 782-6581 | 338 |
| Parent Organization | Dru Martin | (928) 782-5174 | |
| Student Health/Nurse | Linda Winters | (928) 782-5174 | 109 |

The Arizona School Report Card was prepared by the Arizona Department of Education using a standardized format to combine information provided by the local school with data compiled from state records. Each school has special strengths and needs, and all schools benefit from the active involvement of parents in their children's education. If you have questions about the report card or need more information, contact the school office. Arizona School Report Cards can be found for all schools at www.ade.az.gov/srcs/ on the Internet.

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