# **Local Educational Agency Name:**

Palisades Charter High School

# 2019–20 Special Education Plan Element 3c: English Language Arts Achievement

Element 3c: English Language Arts (ELA) Achievement, corresponds to academic performance in ELA as shown on the California School Dashboard (Dashboard) for students with disabilities, and to State Performance Plan Indicator (SPPI) 3c: ELA Achievement as shown on the Annual Performance Report (APR). The California Department of Education (CDE) distributed a checklist document in June 2020 entitled *Elements Requiring Review 2019–20 Monitoring Year (Elements Requiring Review)*. The Local Educational Agency (LEA) must address this Element in its 2019–20 SEP if the *Elements Requiring Review* list shows "Yes" for this Element in the Review Required column.

### I. Review of Dashboard and APR Information/Data

The 2019 Dashboard method for calculating ELA Achievement differs from the method used for the SPPI 3c: ELA Achievement calculation on the APR. The Dashboard calculations reflect the Distance from Standard, which is the measurement of how many points, on average, students are from the lowest possible score for Standard Met. Each of those calculations differs from the SPPI 3c calculation method on the APR report. The APR calculation reflects the number of students with disabilities scoring at or above the standard divided by the total number of students with disabilities who received a valid score and for whom a proficiency level was assigned. Each method of calculation is used in determining whether the LEA is in the Targeted or the Intensive Review, and both are valid for understanding the LEA's performance on the ELA portion of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) and the California Alternate Assessment (CAA).

### A. Review of Dashboard Information/Data

The LEA's performance level for ELA achievement on the Dashboard is a combination of Status Level and Change Level. The SEP Team's understanding of the Dashboard data and performance levels will be essential in the team's determination of root causes and corresponding strategies/activities. The SEP Team may determine root causes applicable to the Status Level, Change Level, or both depending on the LEA's Dashboard data.

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Using the data on the 5x5 English Language Arts Placement Report (Grades 3-8 and 11)—Detailed Data from the LEA's 2019 California School Dashboard, complete the charts below with information for the student group: Students with Disabilities.

Color	Status Level	Change Level	CURRENT STATUS: Average distance from Standard	CHANGE: Difference between current status and prior status
Orange	Low	Declined	-44.9	-4

Based on the above information, indicate the area(s) the LEA intends to address.

Area to Address	Yes or No
Status Level	Yes
Change Level	Yes

# B. Review of APR Data

Using the SSPI data from the LEA's APR, complete the chart below for 3c: ELA Achievement.

LEA's Rate	State Target
32.69%	>15.9%

Once the LEA has determined the LEA's performance level on the Dashboard and the APR in ELA Achievement, complete the chart below.

Accountability System	Performance Level to Meet Requirements	Did the LEA Meet the Performance Level?
Dashboard	Blue, Green or Yellow	No
APR	>15.9%	Yes

# **II.** Current Improvement Strategies

Describe and discuss current or recent improvement strategies relevant to this Element that the LEA implemented prior to the development of this SEP. For example: Did the strategies result in improved outcomes for students with disabilities? How is improvement measured? Did the LEA address this area in a 2018–19 Performance Indicator Review (PIR) Plan?

This area was addressed in the PIR Plan with an emphasis on providing instruction and practice embedding critical reasoning within the writing process. While we did not meet growth within the performance level requirement on the CDE School Dashboard, we did exceed the state target for the APR Accountability System. We will continue current strategies to facilitate student growth in this area.

# III. Data and Analysis

In order to identify appropriate root causes for the LEA's performance in relation to Element 3c: ELA Achievement, the LEA should examine formal and informal data to understand the factors contributing to the challenges the LEA is experiencing. The *Data Source Checklist* below should guide the SEP Team in next steps, but the range of data review is within the discretion of the SEP Team.

## Data Source Checklist

Identify data sources the SEP Team will use in developing the LEA's 2019–20 SEP for Element 3c: ELA Achievement. Analyze the selected data sources to find connections/relationships between the data and the LEA's performance.

Data Sources	Check if Using
California School Dashboard— ELA for Student with Disabilities	Х
California School Dashboard— Comparison to All Students or Other Student Groups	
Test Operations Management System (TOMS) Student Score Reports	
Test Operations Management System (TOMS) Accommodations	

Data Sources	Check if Using
Interim or Other Assessments	
Classroom-level Data— Student Grades, Assignment Grades	
Annual Performance Report (APR) – ELA Achievement, Participation Rate, Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)	Х
Special Education Information System (e.g., SEIS, Welligent, SIRAS)	
Service Logs and/or Pull-Out Schedules	
Student Course Enrollment Data, Attendance Records, Schedules, and/or Transcripts	
California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS)	
Empathy Interview/ Focus Group Data	
Observation of English class(es)	
Observation of Testing (CAASPP or Other Testing Environment)	
Professional Development Records	
Curriculum Guides, Lesson Plans, Syllabi	
Other School Plans (e.g., Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), Technology Plan)	
Policies and Procedures	
Compliance Review Data (Student Record Reviews, SELPA Governance Review, Policies and Procedures Review)	
Parent Input Data	
Other (please state):	

# IV. Additional Factors Affecting Performance

Are there any other factors, internal and/or external, that the SEP Team should consider when evaluating performance for this Element? List in the box below. For example, do

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with disabilities, and are they working as intended?					

the systems, policies, procedures, and/or practices address this Element for students

# V. Root Cause Analysis and Improvement

Complete the boxes and charts below. In the Root Cause box, identify a root cause for the LEA's performance level specific to Element 3c: ELA Achievement. In the Data Support box, include an explanation of the data and any background information needed for the root cause to be understandable to someone outside the LEA. In the Phase 1 chart, identify the strategies/activities that will address the root cause and provide the required details regarding implementation. In the Phase 2 chart, provide the required details regarding monitoring. In the last chart, list documentation that the LEA intends to keep regarding implementation and monitoring.

If the LEA completed a 2018–19 PIR Plan, the LEA may consider including root causes from the PIR Plan in the LEA's 2019–20 SEP if the root cause is still an issue based on analysis of the LEA's current data.

**Note:** The boxes and charts below apply to one, and only one, root cause. Copy and complete a new set of boxes and charts for each additional root cause, if any.

### Root Cause:

Instruction did not focus on CAASPP format and provide practice on embedding critical reasoning within the writing process.

**Data Support and Background for Root Cause:** 

Breakdown of CAASPP ELA Categories, CDE School Dashboard and APR data/

Phase 1: Improvement Strategy Development			
Strategies/Activities for Improvement List at least one Strategy/Activity for this root cause. Insert additional lines if necessary.)			
1.	Utilize writing strategies to increase familiarity and performance on CAASPP ELA tasks.		
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
(Align	Resources Required numbers with Strategies/Activities for Improvement.)		
1.	Teacher Prep Time / collaboration between gen ed and sp ed teachers		
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
	Person(s) Responsible for Implementation numbers with Strategies/Activities for Improvement.)		
1.	Administrator over English & Special Ed		
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
Start Date (Align numbers with Strategies/Activities for Improvement.)			
1.	3/2019 - Continued		
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
Date of Completion (Align numbers with Strategies/Activities for Improvement.)			
1.	6/1/2021		
2.			

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3.			
4.			
5.			
Phase 2: Monitoring of Improvement			
	Expected Outcome(s)		
(Align	numbers with Strategies/Activities for Improvement.)		
1.	Increased Change Level on CDE Dashboard		
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
	Methods of Measurement		
(Align numbers with Strategies/Activities for Improvement.)			
1.	CDE Dashboard ELA results		
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
Quantifiable Standards of Improvement (Align numbers with Strategies/Activities for Improvement.)			
1.	Distance from Standard < 40		
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

# **Documentation of Implementation**

Each LEA is required to keep documentation on the implementation and monitoring of the SEP. The documentation should be a record of the strategies/activities and the results of the implementation of the strategies/activities.

The documentation should include the following:

- 1. Evidence the SEP meetings and strategies/activities have occurred (e.g., agendas, sign in sheets, meeting notes, slide presentations).
- 2. Indication of changes that have occurred as a result of the strategies/activities (e.g., copy of revised policies and procedures, new tracking mechanisms).
- 3. Evidence that the SEP Team has monitored the implementation of its plan.
- 4. Demonstration of the preliminary results of strategies/activities (e.g., surveys, observation notes).

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5. Evidence of quantifiable measurement of success, if any (e.g., increasing classroom assessment scores, before-and-after data charts).

List the documentation the SEP Team intends to keep on the above-stated implementation and monitoring activities related to this root cause.

SEP Meeting Agenda and Sign-In

Copy and complete the above charts for each additional root cause.

### VI. Placement of Forms in the SEP PDF

Place each required *Element Form* in numerical order (or alphabetical order thereafter for unnumbered Elements) after the *LEA Identification Form*. Save as one PDF document. If the LEA uses separate *Root Cause Analysis and Improvement Forms*, the placement of those forms should be directly after the corresponding *Element Form*.

Title the single PDF SEP document with the following naming convention: <Name of LEA><SELPA> 2019–20 SEP-<Targeted or Intensive>.

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