



Data Match Results

Between Montebello Unified School District, the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services, and the Los Angeles County Probation Department

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Background

This report presents the results of a data match conducted between the Montebello Unified School District, the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), and the Los Angeles County Probation Department. DCFS and Probation data reflecting active caseloads from June 2007 were matched against Montebello Unified School District's enrollment file as of November 2007. Montebello USD then provided the Education Coordinating Council with the matched data for analysis, after measures were taken to ensure its confidentiality.

The purpose of this data match was to identify DCFS and Probation-supervised students attending Montebello USD public schools. The match found 320 DCFS students and 125 Probation students who were enrolled in Montebello USD public schools in November 2007.

Table 1
Students Enrolled in Montebello Unified School District (11/2007)

DCFS students enrolled	320
Probation students enrolled	125
Total Montebello USD students	33,600

Demographics

DCFS students were distributed among all types of schools, while Probation students were primarily located in high school. Among DCFS students, 43.4% attended elementary school, 30.6% attended middle school, and 18.1% attended high school. Another 7.2% attended span (K-8) schools. In comparison, 0.0% of Probation-supervised students attended elementary or span schools, 10.4% attended middle school, 77.6% attended high school, and 12.0% attended continuation or alternative schools. This contrasts with Montebello USD overall, where 34.1% were enrolled in elementary school, 27.5% were in middle school, and 30.5% were in high school.

Table 2
Distribution by School Type

School type	DCFS		Probation		Montebello USD	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Elementary	139	43.4%	0	0.0%	11,449	34.1%
Middle school	98	30.6%	13	10.4%	9,239	27.5%
High school	58	18.1%	97	77.6%	10,240	30.5%
Span (K-8)	23	7.2%	0	0.0%	1,703	5.1%
Alternative	2	0.6%	15	12.0%	969	2.9%
Total	320	100.0%	125	100.0%	33,600	100.0%

Grade Level

DCFS students were fairly evenly split among grade levels, with 2nd and 3rd graders accounting for the highest percentages of students at 10.9% and 11.3 %, respectively. In comparison, about nine of every ten Probation students were in high school, with 10th and 12th graders comprising the highest percentages (24.8% and 27.2%). Within Montebello USD overall, the number and percentage of students tended to increase with each increase in grade level, with the lowest percentage found in Kindergarten (6.6%) and the highest percentage in 9th grade (8.7%).

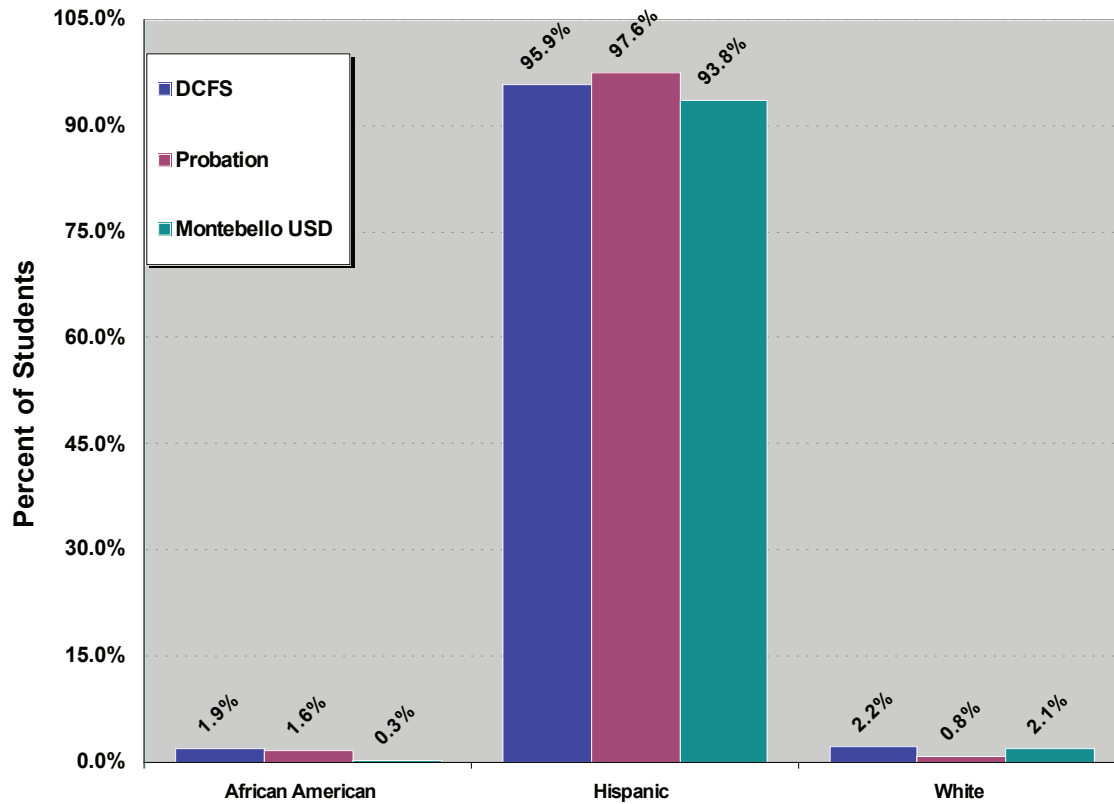
Table 3
Distribution by Grade Level

Grade	DCFS		Probation		Montebello USD	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Kindergarten	23	7.2%	0	0.0%	2,230	6.6%
1	26	8.1%	0	0.0%	2,310	6.9%
2	35	10.9%	0	0.0%	2,429	7.2%
3	36	11.3%	0	0.0%	2,395	7.1%
4	32	10.0%	0	0.0%	2,518	7.5%
5	23	7.2%	0	0.0%	2,357	7.0%
6	22	6.9%	0	0.0%	2,655	7.9%
7	29	9.1%	2	1.6%	2,724	8.1%
8	33	10.3%	12	9.6%	2,792	8.3%
9	13	4.1%	17	13.6%	2,929	8.7%
10	15	4.7%	31	24.8%	2,845	8.5%
11	17	5.3%	29	23.2%	2,737	8.1%
12	13	4.1%	34	27.2%	2,679	8.0%
Total	320	100.0%	125	100.0%	33,600	100.0%

Ethnicity

More than nine of every ten DCFS students (95.9%) enrolled in Montebello USD were Latino, with African Americans accounting for 1.9% and White students 2.2%. The percentages for Probation students were similar, with 97.6% Latino students, 1.6% African American and 0.8% White students. Within Montebello USD overall, 93.8% of students were Latino, 3.0% were Asian, and 2.1% were White; African Americans accounted for just 0.3% of the total student population.

**Figure 1
Distribution by Ethnicity**



Gender

The proportion of male and female DCFS students in Montebello USD was fairly evenly balanced at 52.5% and 47.5% respectively, which compares to 50.7% and 49.3% for Montebello USD overall. Among Probation students however, males accounted for almost four of every five students (77.6%).

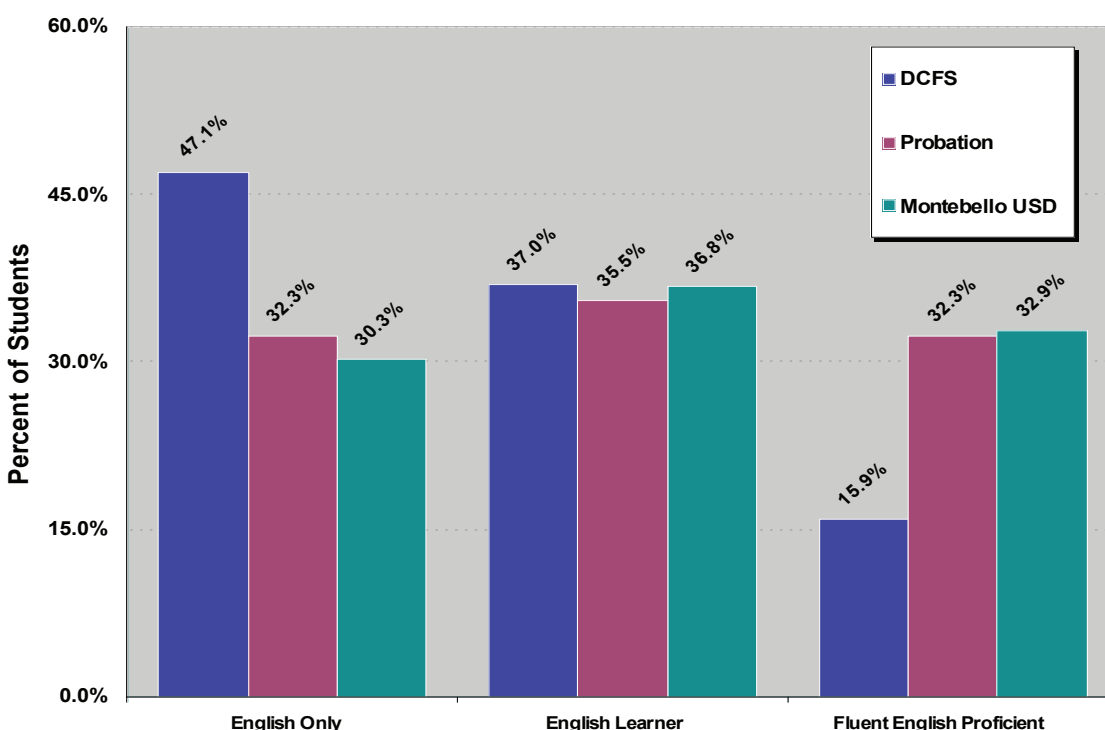
**Table 4
Distribution by Gender**

Gender	DCFS		Probation		Montebello USD	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male	168	52.5%	97	77.6%	17,040	50.7%
Female	152	47.5%	28	22.4%	16,560	49.3%
Total	320	100.0%	125	100.0%	33,600	100.0%

Language Classification

The proportion of DCFS students classified as English Only (47.1%) was significantly higher than the rate for Montebello USD (30.3%), while the percent of Montebello USD students classified as English Learners (36.8%) was similar to the rate of DCFS students (37.0%). Language classification rates for Probation students were somewhat equal to those for Montebello USD: 32.3% were English Only and 35.5% were English Learners. Among Fluent English Proficient students, DCFS students accounted for the lowest proportion, at just 15.9%, which is not surprising given their large percentage of English Only students.

Figure 2
Distribution by Language Classification



Special Education

The percentage of students enrolled in special education was more than three times lower for DCFS students (2.5%) and slightly lower for Probation students (7.1%) compared to Montebello USD overall (8.7%).

Table 5
Special Education Students

Enrollment Status	DCFS		Probation		Montebello USD	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
In special education	8	2.5%	9	7.1%	2,933	8.7%
Total enrolled	320	100.0%	125	100.0%	33,600	100.0%

Gifted and Talented (GATE)

More than 8% of the total Montebello USD student population (2,731 students) was identified as “gifted and talented,” compared to only 16 DCFS and Probation students combined.

Table 6
Gifted and Talented Students

Enrollment Status	DCFS		Probation		Montebello USD	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
In GATE	11	3.4%	5	4.0%	2,731	8.1%
Total enrolled	320	100.0%	125	100.0%	33,600	100.0%

Achievement Indicators

Similar to the results from other data matches, DCFS and Probation students did not perform well on the California Standards Tests in 2006-07. In English-Language Arts, the percentage of DCFS students in high school who scored at proficient or advanced was 23.3%. While somewhat low, the percentage for Probation students in high school was even lower at 1.4%. Additionally, Math scores were troubling for both student populations in high school: 2.5% of DCFS students scored proficient or advanced compared to 3.6% of Probation students. In middle school, the percentage of Probation students scoring proficient or advanced in math (33.3%) was more than twice as high as DCFS students (15.0%).

Figure 3
2006–07 CST English-Language Arts
Percent Proficient and Advanced

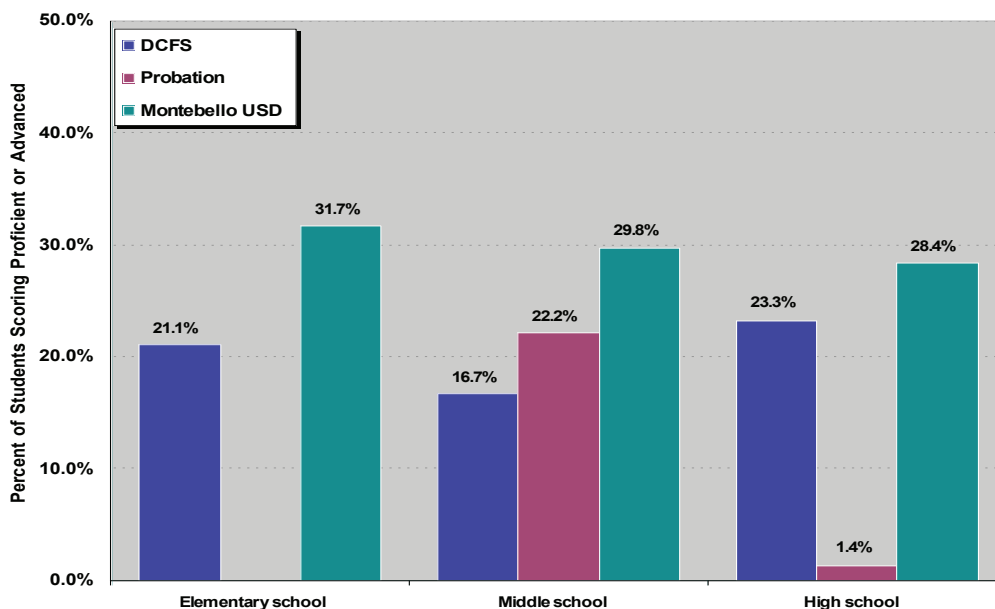
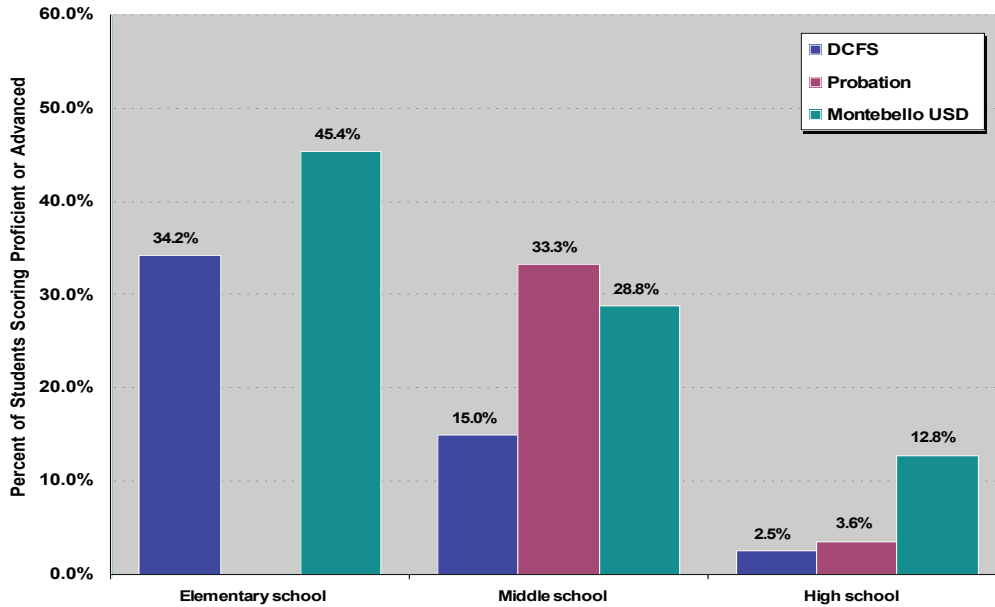
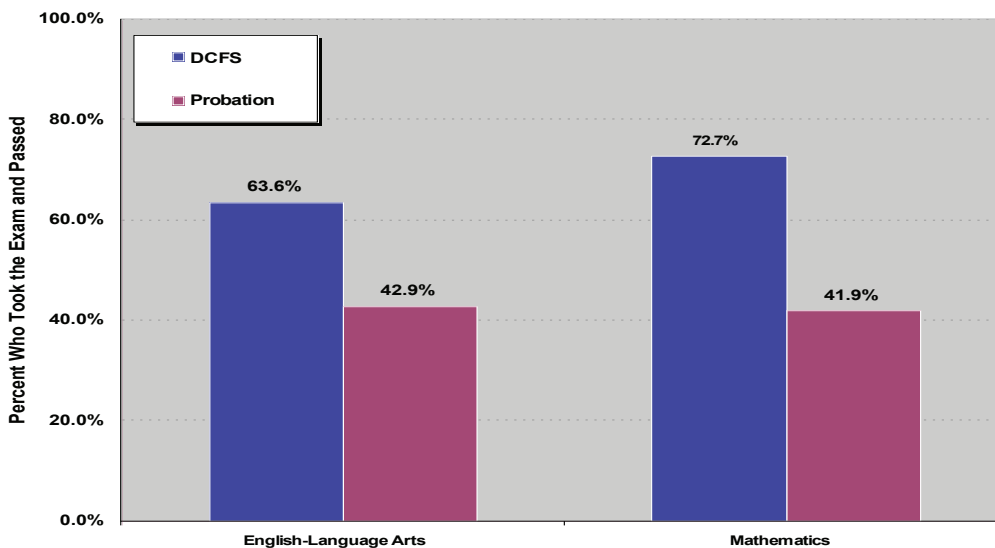


Figure 4
2006-07 CST Mathematics
Percent Proficient and Advanced



Results for 10th-12th graders taking the California High School Exit Exam were somewhat different for DCFS and Probations students in Montebello USD, with 63.6% of DCFS students and 42.9% of Probation students passing the English-Language Arts portion. Differences in passing rates for the Math portion were even greater, with 72.7% for DCFS students and 41.9% for Probation students.

Figure 5
Percent of CAHSEE Exam Takers Who Passed Each Portion



Montebello Unified DCFS/Probation Student Population by School

Students in Montebello Unified School District, 2007-08

School	DCFS Students	Probation Supervised Students	Montebello USD Total Enrollment
Bandini Elementary	6	0	492
Bell Gardens Elementary	8	0	1,032
Bell Gardens High School	16	41	3,374
Bell Gardens Intermediate	18	8	1,651
Bella Vista Elementary	14	0	842
Cesar Chavez Elementary	17	0	937
Contract Independent Study	0	4	-
Eastmont Intermediate	18	1	1,620
Fremont Elementary	12	0	556
Garfield Elementary	10	0	733
Greenwood Elementary	14	0	796
Joseph Gascon Elementary	12	0	995
La Merced Elementary	4	0	746
La Merced Intermediate	25	1	1,840
Laguna Nueva School	12	0	755
Macy Intermediate	9	2	1,101
Montebello Community Day School	0	5	148
Montebello Gardens Elementary	5	0	284
Montebello High	21	45	3,609
Montebello Intermediate	16	1	1,870
Montebello Park Elementary	3	0	597
Potrero Heights Elementary	3	0	566
Rosewood Park School	11	0	948
Schurr High	21	11	3,260
Suva Elementary	10	0	775
Suva Intermediate	7	0	1,155
Vail High (Cont.) School	0	6	407

Washington Elementary	12	0	913
Wilcox Elementary	7	0	621
Winter Gardens Elementary	7	0	562
Non-public/Non-sectarian	0	0	415
Unspecified	2	0	-
Total	320	125	33,600