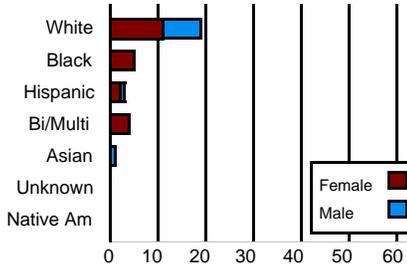




**Department of Defense Education Activity
Volkel Elementary School (K-6)
1995/96 School Profile
Richard Wertheimer, Principal**

School Characteristics

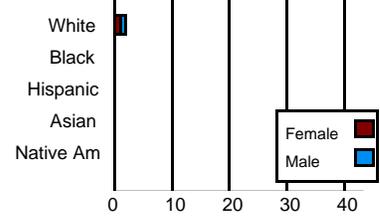
Student Enrollment - 32



Grade	#
K	12
1	2
2	7
3	2
4	2
5	4
6	3
Total	32

Sponsor's Affiliation	
Marine	<.5%
Army	<.5%
Navy	<.5%
Air Force	94%
Coast Guard	<.5%
Non-US Military	<.5%
US Civilians	6%
Non-US Civilians	<.5%

Professional Staffing



Special Programs			
Grade Offered	Program	#	%
PK-12	Special Education		0%
K-8	TAG	0	0%
K-12	ESL	0	0%
1	Reading Recovery	N/A	N/A
7-12	AVID	N/A	
AP Courses Offered		N/A	
Students Taking AP Courses		N/A	N/A

Teacher Experience	
Years	Teachers
New	0
1-3	0
4-6	0
7-10	2
> 10	0

School Staff	
Category	FTE
Administrators	1
Classroom Teachers	2
Special Education	
Other Professionals	0.5

Mobility Rate
72% Per Year

Teacher Education	
Degree	% Teachers
BA/BS	50%
MA/MS	50%
Doctorate	0%

Principal's Highlights

Volkel Elementary School is noted for its well blended, multi-age classrooms and tremendous availability of technology. Located in the Netherlands, V.E.S. is a one-story, 3 classroom building with a library. We offer a plethora of co-curricular classes to include host nation, art, music, Math Olympiads, PE swimming, library, Media Technology Class, and Student Council. We maintain a strong bond with the military community and parents. We have a very active Booster Club which offers many activities for parent/child cooperation and fund raising activities. This year was so successful that most of the student fees for study trips were funded by the diligent fund raising efforts of the Booster Club.

Much of the teaching is centered around all encompassing thematic units which include projects, students as teachers, reports and presentations. All students are familiar with and use the technology available in the classrooms to prepare assignments. We are proud of our cross-curricular approach to education which addresses all modalities of learning. It is clearly evident that at Volkel Elementary School great learning takes place everyday.

**DoDEA Strategic Plan: School Improvement Implementation
School Year 95/96 Priorities**

Goal 3: Student Achievement And Citizenship

Benchmark 3.1: Increase Proficiency in Reading, Lang Arts, and Soc. Studies.....
Plans have centered on writing, techniques, and mechanics of language activities. Publishing ticksheets, response log questions which were answered by students and parents, and Writer's Workshop were vehicles to sharpen skills. Staff developed a holistic rubric which was used to score a school wide writing assessment. Parents were trained and assisted in this process.

Goal 4: Math And Science Achievement

Benchmark 4.2: Narrow Achievement Gap between Racial/Ethnic/Gender Grps.....
Strategies focused on implementing MathLand curriculum and aligning the math content area with the math standards. Daily problem solving challenges, brainstorming, portfolios of student work, anecdotal notes from clipboard cruising, and family Math Nights are evidence of the implementation. THE CRUNCHER and MULTIMEDIA WORKSHOP are installed and utilized.

Goal 8: Parental Participation

Benchmark 8.1: Implement/Evaluate Multi-Tiered School-Home Partnership.....
Information from the semi-annual parent report card indicated improvement was needed to increase communication between school and home. Increased attention was given to weekly bulletins, weekly Gram phone calls, guest readers and speakers, active Booster club and SAC committees, well attended Family Math Nights, and parent participation in the writing assessment.

Goal 10: Organizational Development

Benchmark 10.7: Effective Communication Sys. for all DoDEA constituencies....
DSO coordinators frequently train in various curricular areas. Annual Sports Day is well attended by students of 5 nearby schools, parents and military. Family Math Night held quarterly as well as quarterly socials with Booster Club. Plan training in MathLand and Internet. All staff is on-line for cc:Mail and Win 3.1. Training in scanner, laser disc and computer tech in all classes.

