THE PROBLEM
During recent storms in Pacifica, a storm drain blockage flooded the entire interior of Ocean Shore Elementary – just one week after Christmas break.

THE SOLUTION
Staff and parents were able to safely remove all students out of the school. Within the first 24 hours, BELFOR was on site and began emergency services – including water extraction and mud and silt excavation from the school property.

BELFOR inventoried and packed out contents in all classrooms, the library and main office which was filled with teaching supplies. BELFOR began drying the property and replacing wet drywall throughout the property. Heavily damaged electrical connections had to be repaired throughout the building, including the main office, computer lab, smart technology projects and other areas.

School Principal Julie Tarango kept everyone updated on her website:

“Continued Support from all of our Stakeholders on the Flood Project Management: This week was a very productive meeting between all of our specialists on our project. From our insurance providers, BELFOR team and our school district administrators, our school has been very well cared for to ensure our project is completed with efficiency and accuracy. We have continued to see these folks on campus this week around the clock who helping us put things away and get our school up and running. Our primary goal has been getting our teachers materials and supplies back into the classrooms so that inconveniences can be minimized. The support from our district office and administrators has also continued to help us get items replaced and coordinate logistics! We have received strong support from our district every step of the way!!”

One of the biggest challenges that BELFOR faced was the timeline. Phase One of the project was completed in just seven days, allowing students and staff back in the classroom in record time.