SC Annual School Report Card Summary

East End Elementary
Pickens
Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 702**
Principal: Tammy Day
Superintendent: Lee D'Andrea, Ph.D.
Board Chair: Dr. B. J. Skelton

PERFORMANCE

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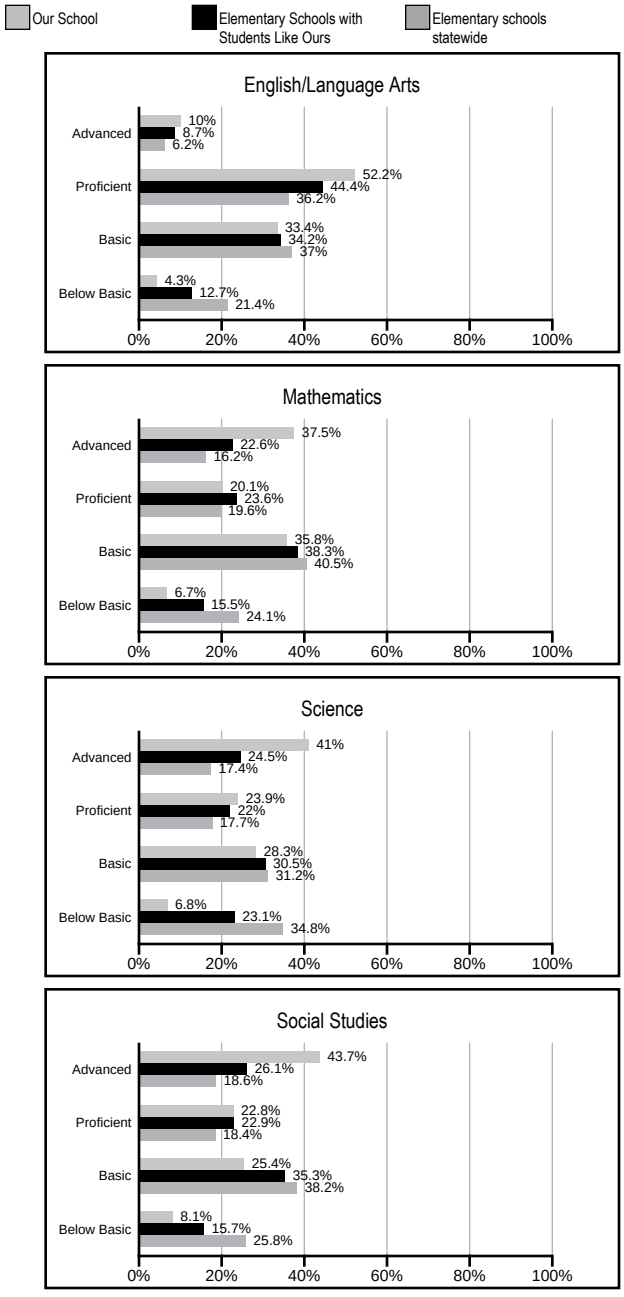
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Excellent	Below Average	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	Good	Average	N/A	Met	N/A
2006	Good	Average	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	26	40	0	0

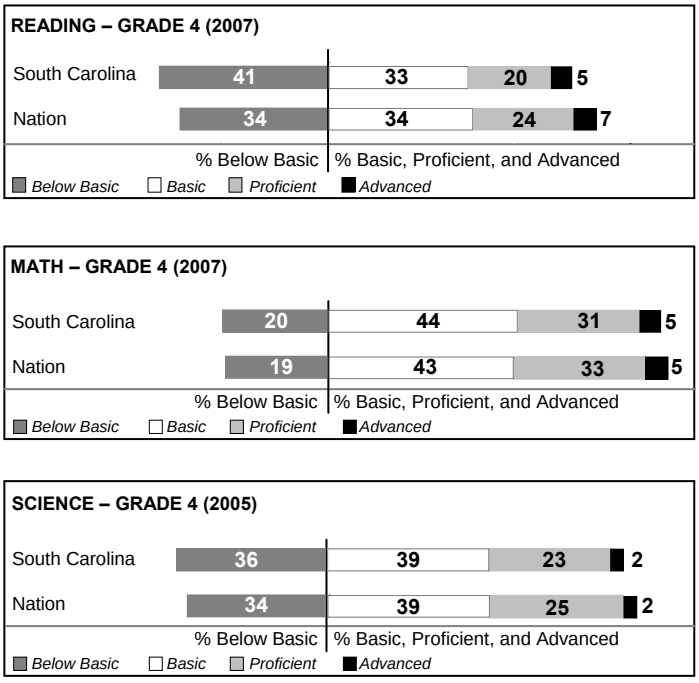
** Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Elementary Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.*

PACT PERFORMANCE



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

** Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.*



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:
By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=702)				
Retention rate	3.4%	Up from 2.9%	1.7%	2.3%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Up from 96.5%	96.7%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	22.1%	Up from 17.6%	18.3%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	3.6%	Up from 3.2%	6.4%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=40)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	32.5%	Up from 28.2%	60.7%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	80.0%	Down from 84.6%	79.3%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.2%	Up from 89.6%	87.6%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	96.7%	Up from 96.1%	95.0%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	$42,266	Up 2.0%	$46,861	$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.1 to 1	Down from 22.4 to 1	19.8 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.7%	Up from 91.3%	90.3%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Average	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	$5,319	Up 3.7%	$6,549	$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	61.7%	Up from 61.5%	70.7%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	57.1%	Down from 58.9%	66.9%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		90.5%	85.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	36	97	64
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	90.7%	96.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	93.8%	98.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	96.9%	96.9%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

What began as a one-story school in the 1950's is now a two-story modern structure nestled in the heart of downtown Easley. The East End Elementary family completed a very successful 2007-2008 school year. East End's dedicated faculty had the privilege of loving and caring for over 700 4K – 5th grade students each and every school day. It was our honor to serve as a partner with the children and their families. Two strong and vital forces in this effort were our School Improvement Council and the PTO. East End is one of the five schools South Carolina Schools nominated to compete in the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program by the South Carolina Department of Education. The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program, run by the U.S. Department of Education, honors public and private K-12 schools that are either academically superior or that demonstrate dramatic gains in student achievement. In a news release by State Superintendent Jim Rex, he stated, "I couldn't be more proud of these wonderful schools. Their mission is for each and every student to succeed, and they are led by outstanding principals, creative teachers, and dedicated staff." This recognition was certainly a high point in the school year. In addition, East End is noted as a Red Carpet School as awarded by the State Department of Education as a result of providing excellent customer service. East End was also recognized by the Education Oversight Committee (EOC) for Closing the Achievement Gap. East End is one of 19 schools in the state of South Carolina to receive this honor for six consecutive years. The Absolute Index Score for East End's PACT results as reported in the fall of 2007-2008 school year was the highest ever for the school. East End also achieved Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as measured by NCLB (No Child Left Behind). AYP results indicate the percentage of each student group within the school scoring at the two highest levels, which are Proficient and Advanced.

The Mission of East End Elementary is: "Excelling in Academics, Encouraging Character, Embracing the Community and Seeking Success for All Students." This focus of providing a child-centered, parent-friendly environment is a guiding force of the East End faculty. We strive to provide parents, students, family members and visitors a welcoming environment and involvement in the school through Back-to-School Night, PTO programs, Munchies for Moms, Dad's Day, Grandparents' Night, Family Fun Night, Awards Days, weekly Principal's Good Book recognitions, field trips, and other special celebrations. Embracing the community was evident in events such as the Souper Bowl of Caring, which resulted in our school being noted as a National School of Caring, along with other special events such as our Zest Quest partnership to promote healthy lifestyles with our students. East End was recognized as a Safe Kids School by Safe Kids Upstate for providing a safe environment for our students. East End faculty was noted as the United Way School of the Year for having the greatest outreach and giving to United Way. Our school is also in the top 15 schools in the state for Jump Rope for Heart, raising over $15,000.00 by our students to support the American Heart Association.

We have returned to our original heritage of the bulldog as the mascot and red and white as school colors, which embraces our original roots. In addition, the five founding families who were instrumental in East End's beginnings in

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