



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Byrd Elementary
Aiken
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 607
Principal: Mr. Russell Gunter
Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt
Board Chair: Dr. Christine Harkins

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

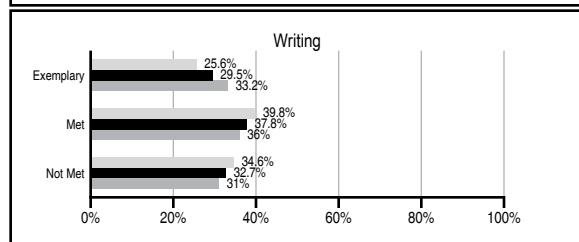
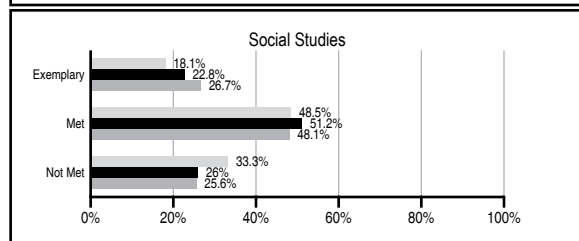
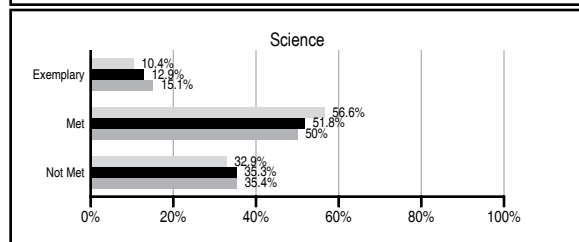
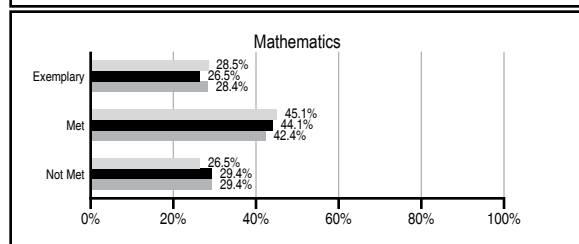
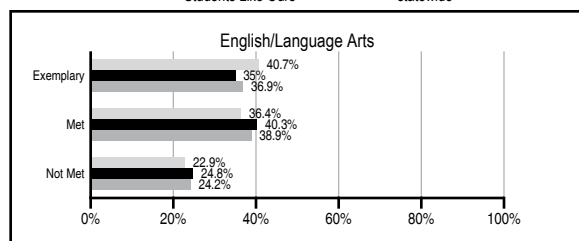
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	20	85	8	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

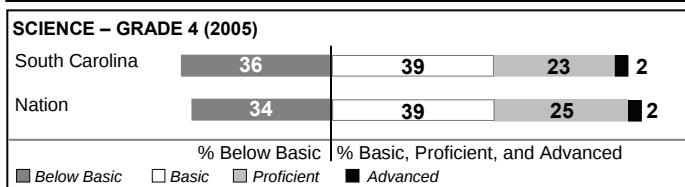
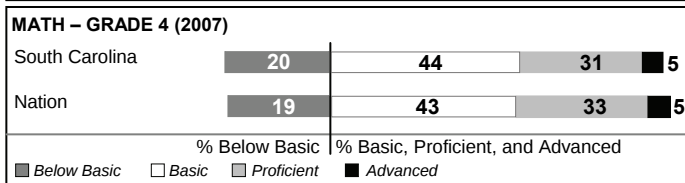
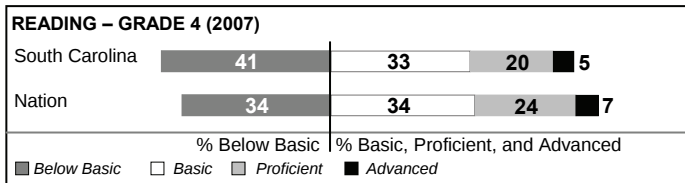
PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



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 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=607)				
Retention rate	4.0%	Up from 3.6%	2.4%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.3%	No Change	96.2%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	11.3%	Up from 8.6%	9.1%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	5.1%	Up from 4.2%	9.3%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	1.3%	Up from 1.2%	0.6%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=37)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	45.9%	Down from 48.6%	60.5%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	78.4%	Down from 80.0%	83.0%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.9%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.4%	Down from 89.4%	87.3%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.8%	Up from 93.6%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,404	Up 1.8%	\$47,410	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	5.2 days	Down from 5.3 days	11.6 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.5 to 1	No Change	19.0 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.7%	Up from 89.4%	90.1%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	94.0%	Down from 97.3%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,597	Up 3.4%	\$7,357	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.9%	Down from 74.0%	68.0%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.9%	Down from 70.4%	61.5%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	34	66	38
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	81.8%	86.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	84.8%	89.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.1%	83.3%	81.1%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

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Byrd Elementary is a Title 1 school, built in 2008, that cherishes additional support from the PTO, SIC, Title 1, and Act 135 committees as well as our community partners. The school's focus continues to be on academic excellence and accountability. Our Character Education program emphasizes one character word a month. Students are rewarded for exhibiting that characteristic for the month. They receive a certificate, and their picture is displayed in the hall of the school. We continued the "Great Leaps" reading program to provide remediation to our third, fourth, and fifth graders. Our first graders, who were below grade level in reading were able to catch up through our Reading Recovery program. We conducted two successful community efforts to bring parents and grandparents into the school that also aided parents to help their children at home. One was Reading Night, and the other was Math Night. Parents, family members, and students were given a thirty-minute workshop on ways to help their child at home. Then, the families received a hamburger and hotdog supper.

Each classroom and teaching station has a Dell Optiplex 525 or better computer and a SMART Board with ceiling mounted projectors. We are in the process of providing web access to parents for their child's grades, attendance, discipline, and general information whenever they want it from anywhere that has web access. We continue to make improvements that utilize all the means available to increase the instructional programs' delivery and results of students.

We partnered with O'Charley's restaurant to provide certificates and awards for a student and teacher of the month. The teacher is chosen by her peers. The student is selected from positive phone calls made during the month.

Mrs. Mary Lamback was selected Teacher of the Year by her peers. She has done a terrific job motivating her students to do their very best. She teaches math to our fourth graders. We offer the inclusion model for our previous self-contained class. We feel like this was a very successful year for these students. We continue to emphasize academic improvement. We are now able to utilize MAP tests to give diagnostic information to teachers of the strengths and weaknesses of each student. We are giving students thirty minutes of reading instruction at their RIT level daily. We love teaching and learning and are preparing our students to be lifelong learners.

Eddie T. Watkins, Jr., Principal
Jennifer Jones, Chairman, School Improvement Committee

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