



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

North Aiken Elementary/Pinecrest
Aiken
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 549
Principal: Rhonda D. Ray
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	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

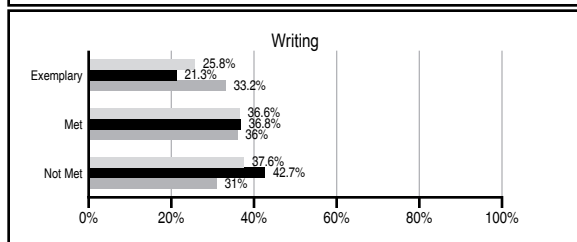
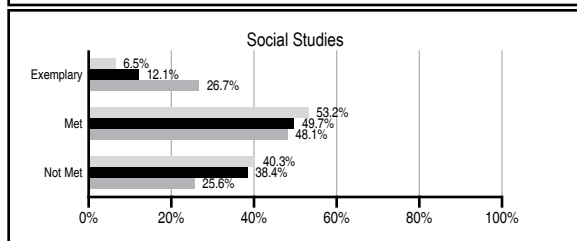
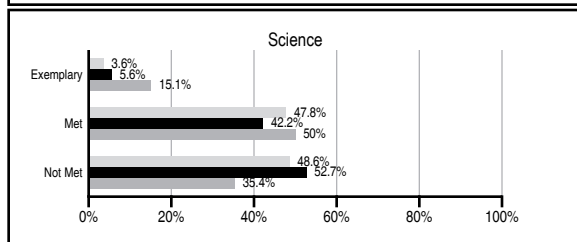
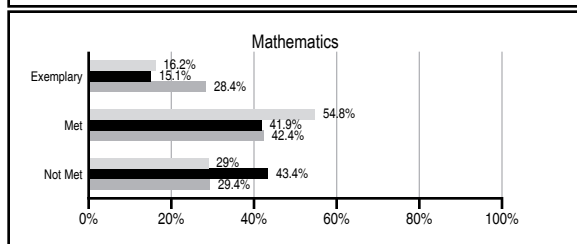
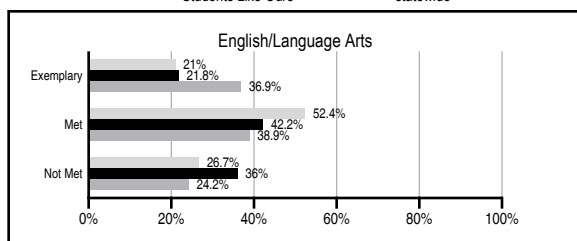
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	3	60	58	32

* 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.

READING – GRADE 4 (2007)				
South Carolina				

MATH – GRADE 4 (2007)				
South Carolina	20	44	31	5
Nation	19	43	33	5
		% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced	
		Below Basic	Basic	Proficient
			Advanced	

SCIENCE – GRADE 4 (2005)				
South Carolina	36	39	23	2
Nation	34	39	25	2
		% Below Basic		
		% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced		
		Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced		

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=549)				
Retention rate	5.6%	Down from 6.1%	2.5%	1.9%
Attendance rate	95.4%	Up from 95.1%	96.0%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	3.7%	Up from 2.5%	2.9%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	10.3%	Up from 9.5%	7.5%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	1.9%	Up from 1.2%	1.2%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=49)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	46.9%	No Change	57.1%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	79.6%	Up from 75.5%	71.8%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.1%	Up from 87.1%	81.7%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.5%	Up from 93.0%	95.2%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,983	Up 3.3%	\$45,857	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.4%	Up from 0.0%	0.3%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	9.1 days	Down from 15.6 days	10.8 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 4.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.3 to 1	Up from 12.1 to 1	16.5 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.8%	Up from 90.7%	90.1%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Average	Down from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,556	Up 12.3%	\$8,670	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.9%	Down from 74.7%	68.4%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.2%	Down from 70.6%	61.9%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	Up from 76.9%	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	46	73	48
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.5%	75.3%	87.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	87.0%	69.9%	78.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	73.3%	79.2%	85.4%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2008-09 school year at North Aiken Elementary proved to be a great year for the students, teachers, staff, and parents. The school was a recipient of the following grants: South Carolina Department of Education Math and Science Unit, USDA Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program, SCANA Homework Center, Wal-Mart, and Exxon Mobile. In addition, North Aiken, in partnership with Aiken Middle School and the City of Aiken, received the Safe Routes to School Grant. North Aiken collaborated with various individuals, businesses, and organizations for the Annual International Walk to School Day. Nationwide Learning, Inc. Student Treasure Books were created by 278 North Aiken Elementary students. Students continued to participate in the Universal Breakfast Program. North Aiken had 37 students who participated in MathFest, a statewide math competition held in Columbia, where 10 students received medals for placing in the top 15 in their grade levels and 1 second grade student placed as the top student in the state and received a trophy.

North Aiken partnered with the University of South Carolina Aiken as a Professional Development School for early childhood practicum students. The teachers at North Aiken continued to provide quality education based on best practices. Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) was utilized as an assessment tool to assist teachers in providing individualized and small group instruction for students. The percentage of third grade students and fourth grade students who scored basic and above on the 2008 ELA PACT exceeded the district's percentage. The percentage of fourth grade students who scored basic and above on the 2008 Social Studies PACT exceeded the district's percentage.

There were various opportunities for parents and family members to participate in parenting events. Some of the major parenting events for 2008-09 included the following: Grands Are Great, Empowering Dads Breakfast, Empowering Moms Breakfast, Literacy Night, and Art Extravaganza. Family members were also encouraged to participate in the North Aiken Community Events. The following are some of the community events: Bowling Night at Park Avenues Lane, Movie Night at the Planetarium – USCA Ruth Patrick Center, Evening of Storytelling at the Aiken County Public Library, North Aiken Night at Applebee's, and Augusta Green Jackets Baseball Game.

We thank the students, teachers, staff, and parents for a great year. We look forward to continuing to work together to meet the needs of the students. We encourage input from parents, community members, teachers, staff, and students.

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