



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Sara Collins Elementary
 Greenville
 Grades: K-5 Enrollment: 805
 Principal: Alice Arrington
 Superintendent: Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher
 Board Chair: Megan Hickerson

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	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

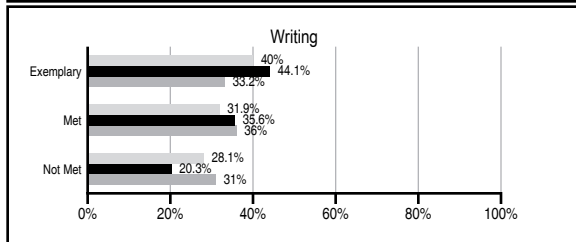
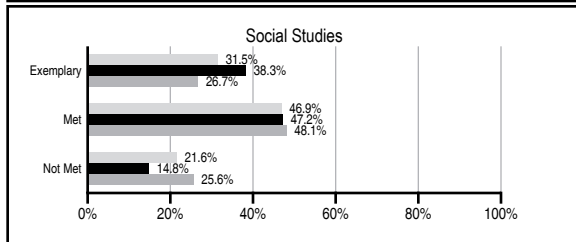
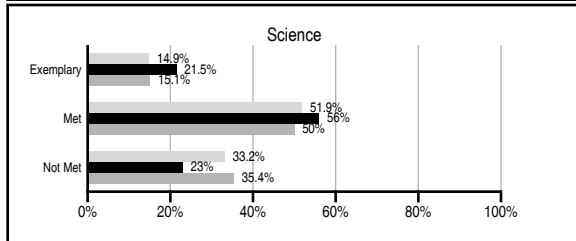
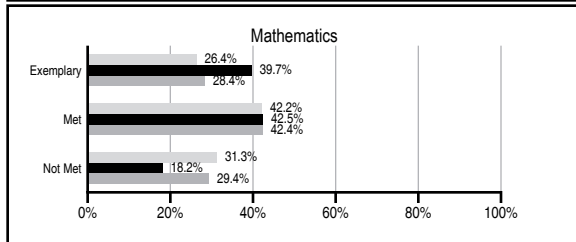
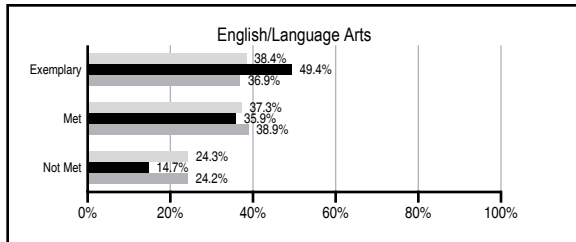
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
20	23	10	0	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=805)				
Retention rate	1.5%	Down from 2.0%	1.4%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.3%	Down from 96.5%	96.7%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	14.6%	Down from 16.8%	17.4%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	15.2%	Down from 17.4%	7.3%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	Down from 0.2%	0.3%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=54)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	55.6%	Up from 50.9%	61.1%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	77.8%	Down from 80.0%	83.0%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.1%	Down from 83.9%	86.0%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 94.7%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,877	Up 1.0%	\$48,428	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 1.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	8.4 days	Down from 16.1 days	10.4 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	14.9 to 1	Down from 21.4 to 1	19.8 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.2%	Up from 89.8%	90.7%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,461	Up 4.2%	\$6,617	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.7%	Up from 69.5%	70.6%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	67.1%	Up from 66.7%	64.8%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	90.5%	Up from 76.2%	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	53	99	62
Percent satisfied with learning environment	98.1%	88.8%	85.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	83.7%	91.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	98.1%	88.8%	83.6%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Sara Collins Elementary is an urban school located in the city limits of Greenville, South Carolina. We are a fully-authorized International Baccalaureate World School. With the school motto, "Our children are our world," we provide a quality international education to all students in kindergarten through fifth grade.

Our mission is to educate children to become knowledgeable, responsible citizens in a global society by providing a meaningful curriculum that integrates community and technological resources. Our program includes the district's Satellite program for orthopedic and hearing disabled students. Our emphasis is on international education, which includes Spanish instruction in grades one through five. Technology is an integral part of our program with daily access for students in research, e-Portfolios, and a variety of productive software. Students and Teachers have access to a full Compass Learning Odyssey program, three mobile laptop labs, Promethean boards, and a full range of content specific software. We believe Sara Collins Elementary is one of the most exciting learning communities in Greenville County.

Sara Collins Elementary and the staff have been recognized for their achievements and accomplishments on local, state and national levels. As part of Greenville County School's district accreditation, Sara Collins has been nationally accredited by AdvancED. In 2007 the International Baccalaureate Organization authorized our school for the second time. This year we received the National PTA Phoebe Hearst Award of Excellence for Speaking Up for Every Child and the National Parent Involvement Certification of Excellence. We received first place from the South Carolina PTA in Enrichment Programs. We form productive partnerships with parents by promoting programs that connect students and parents in learning environments, such as Sizzling Saturday, Lunch and Learn sessions, and PTA events. We completed the fourth step for the Green Steps Program sponsored by South Carolina Resource Conservation Challenge.

We currently have 10 national board certified teachers. Other notable past awards include Miliken Family Foundation National Educator Award, Palmetto's Finest Award, Village Green School, and Redbook Magazine Award for Innovative Teaching for Children with Special Needs.

We have a long, proud tradition at Sara Collins Elementary for providing a safe, caring environment and a strong educational program for all our students. We will continue to build on that tradition while we provide students with the education they need for a successful future.

Scott Davis, School Improvement Council Chair
Alice Arrington, Principal

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