



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blaney Elementary

Kershaw County

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 540

Principal: Lisa M. Carter

Superintendent: Dr. Frank E. Morgan

Board Chair: Joseph Dorton, Jr.

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	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	Met	N/A

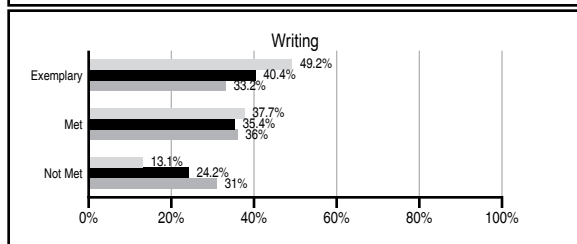
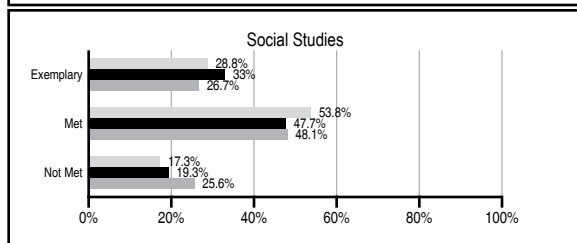
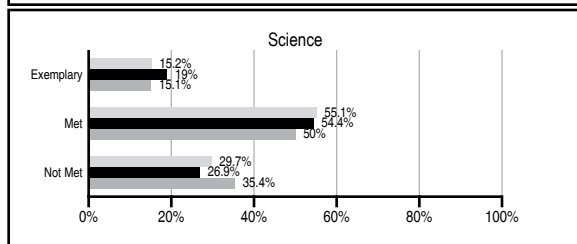
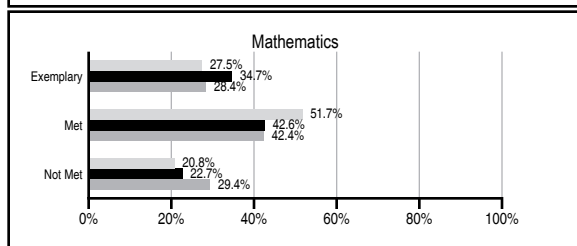
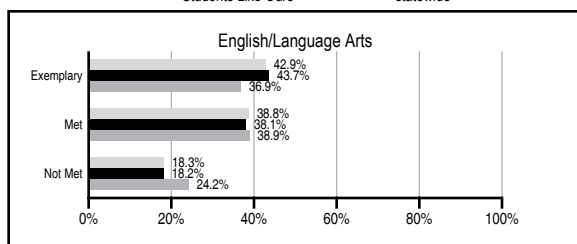
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
16	28	40	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.

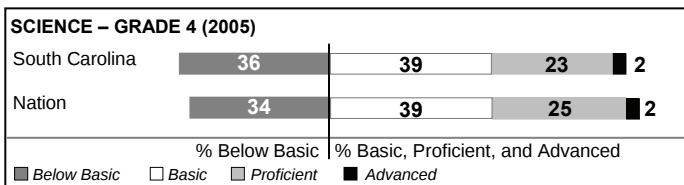
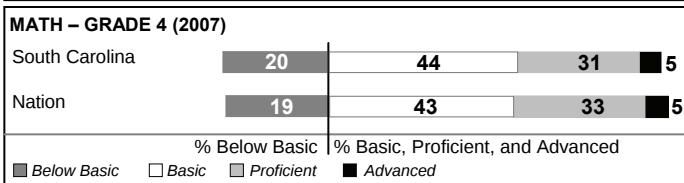
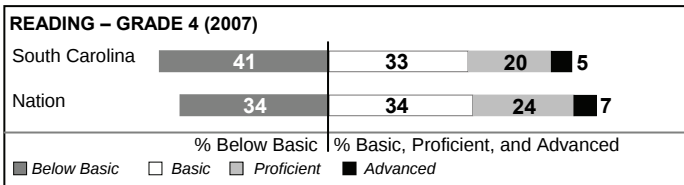
PASS PERFORMANCE

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=540)				
Retention rate	4.4%	Up from 3.6%	1.8%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 95.9%	96.3%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	23.6%	Down from 24.3%	14.1%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	7.7%	Up from 6.1%	7.4%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	1.2%	Up from 0.7%	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=37)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	67.6%	Up from 52.6%	60.9%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	94.6%	Up from 89.5%	81.8%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.8%	Up from 85.8%	88.6%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.7%	No Change	95.2%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,707	Up 5.7%	\$47,548	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.1%	Down from 5.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	9.7 days	Down from 16.7 days	11.5 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.7 to 1	Up from 19.3 to 1	19.1 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.1%	Up from 88.6%	90.5%	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	Average	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,506	Up 8.5%	\$6,975	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.1%	Down from 71.2%	69.1%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.2%	Down from 68.1%	62.9%	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	28	89	79
Percent satisfied with learning environment	74.1%	80.9%	84.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	82.1%	88.8%	91.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	92.6%	97.8%	68.4%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Daily we were Building and Enhancing Success during the 2008-2009 school year. Our mission, vision, and goals were established during a summer staff retreat. The staff built strong bonds among teams, which rooted our belief in Learning Communities and offering decision making powers to the staff. We collaborated with a variety of community organizations: Mad Scientist of Columbia to celebrate a day of math and science; the South Carolina State Museum to host the Star Lab in our building; and the Kershaw County Fine Arts center to provide two artists in residence -- Bond Anderson, musical playground, and Kimberly Roberts, Adventure in Rhythm. Our students enjoyed visits from two authors -- Caroline Bennett, author of Charlie's Columbia Backyard and Kevin Kurtz, author of A Day in the Salt Marsh -- and performances by the Upton Trio returned for the sixth year, integrating science, social studies and music. Blaney continues to meet Adequate Yearly Progress under the No Child Left Behind Act for the seventh year in a row. We received an "All Clear" from the State Department of Education and from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The Blaney Community of staff, students, and parents applied for Palmetto's Finest and were visited in November 2008. We all found the experience to be one of growth and will pursue the award in 09-10. The staff continues to strive for excellence in grant writing. Four teachers were awarded EIA grants: Velma Jackson, Margie Shelburg (team grant), Tonya Jackson, and Linda Chavis. Tonya Jackson received a Toyota Tapestry Grant for \$2,500 and a John T. Stevens Grant for \$2,500; Fran Miller received a Target Grant of \$2,000, and our media center received another Target Grant of \$1,000 totaling \$18,000 for the 2008-2009 school year. While all of this is exciting, we remain focused on our number one task -- the education of the children at Blaney Elementary School and the community of Elgin, SC. The staff utilized a variety of assessments to direct instruction as well as implemented leveled instructional groups, team-taught, and reached outside of the box with technology instruction. The teachers assessed student learning using DIBELS, MAP, Star Math and Reading, A+ Learning, Success Maker and ITBS, and PACT. The teachers kept data notebooks and conference with each student in order to set personal goals. Our PTO had another outstanding year. The volunteer hours logged exceeded 2,250 hours and funds raised to support the educational programs exceeded \$25,000. In May, the board voted to become a PTA. The PTO announced new board members during the May Family Fun Night. The School Improvement Council met monthly to monitor academic progress, set yearly goals, and review test data. New members were nominated and elected utilizing our automated phone service-Connect-Ed. The staff and students of Blaney contributed over \$18,000 to charitable causes: United Way of Kershaw County, Relay for Life, March of Dimes, Muscular Dystrophy, Sexual Assault Center of Camden (Change Makes Change), and an Angel tree program that supplied Christmas to needy Blaney families. The staff, students and parents are committed to Build and Enhance Success as we enter 2009-2010 -- "Driven to Succeed!" Lisa M. Carter, principal; Penny Lloyd, SIC chairperson

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