



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Prosperity-Rikard Elementary
Newberry

Grades: K-5

Enrollment: 517

Principal: Timothy J. Lyden

Superintendent: Mr. Bennie Bennett

Board Chair: Mr. Don Saylor

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

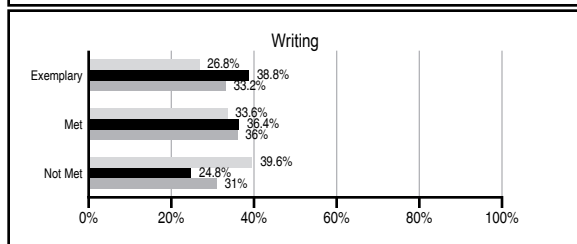
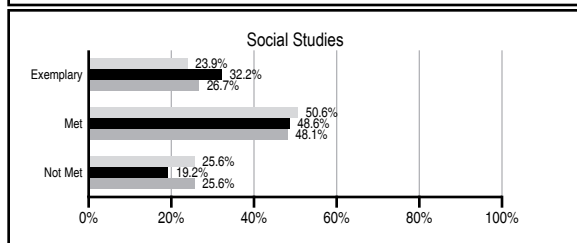
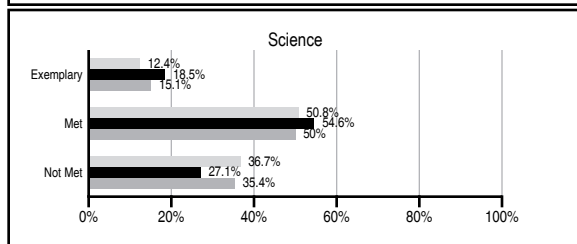
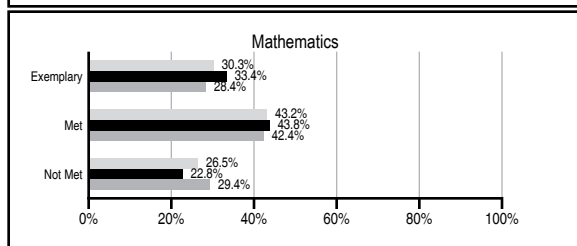
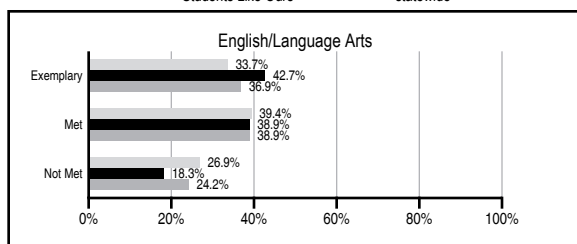
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
13	30	47	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.

READING – GRADE 4 (2007)

South Carolina	41	33	20	5
Nation	34	34	24	7
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced				
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

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=517)				
Retention rate	3.2%	Up from 2.4%	2.0%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.4%	Down from 96.6%	96.3%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	11.7%	Down from 12.6%	14.0%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	8.1%	Down from 8.4%	7.5%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.2%	No Change	0.4%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=35)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	82.9%	Up from 81.1%	60.0%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	94.3%	Up from 83.8%	81.8%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.0%	Up from 88.2%	87.7%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.1%	Down from 93.5%	95.3%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,050	Up 7.8%	\$47,232	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	15.6 days	Up from 3.7 days	10.9 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.0 to 1	Up from 17.4 to 1	19.1 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.4%	Down from 89.8%	90.6%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.1%	Down from 99.2%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,977	Up 11.2%	\$6,860	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	74.8%	Down from 77.1%	69.2%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	70.5%	Down from 71.6%	63.3%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	85.7%	Down from 94.7%	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	30	82	26
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	86.6%	80.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	85.2%	84.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	92.7%	76.9%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

"The Pride of the Palmetto," the school motto, is a belief shared by all stakeholders of Prosperity-Rikard Elementary School. We are committed to providing a positive, pleasant, and safe learning environment for the 505 students served in grades K-5. Evidence of the level of implementation of the school's motto is illustrated on a daily basis by the dedicated staff, supportive parents, active PTO and School Improvement Council, and contributing business partners. This motto was realized this year as we were awarded the distinction as a Red Carpet School for 2009.

Academically, we are making daily efforts to teach students the basics of math, reading, science, and Social Studies. Although we did not meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), we have made gains with improving from an At Risk school to Average and overall from Below Average to Average. Our model of Integrated Thematic Instruction (ITI) integrates all of the core subjects into our character education and stresses the importance of truthfulness, trustworthiness, active listening, no put-downs, and personal best efforts. It is our hope that we provide the opportunities and instructional experiences that students will learn to develop and apply themselves as responsible and productive life-long learners in every experience that they encounter. As part of our community service learning projects, students collected over \$4000 with Jump Rope for Heart; we collected over 3500 canned goods for Manna House; and the Relay for Life Team, that comprised almost the entire faculty and staff, raised nearly \$4000 in the fight against cancer.

Among the challenges facing Prosperity-Rikard Elementary School is access to rapidly changing technology. With the help of our PTO, every homeroom classroom is equipped with a Promethean Board and an LCD projector. All projectors will be mounted in the ceiling for the next school year and all classrooms, including Related Arts, will have a Promethean Board. Our teachers have been effective in integrating digital resources into the curriculum to enhance student achievement. A construction project with additional classrooms room is planned for the next year with completion in time for the 2010-2011 school year.

We at Prosperity-Rikard Elementary School strive to provide a challenging and stimulating educational experience that meets the needs of our students and develops the learners of tomorrow, emphasizing daily successes that help make us the "Pride of the Palmetto."

Derek Underwood, School Improvement Council Chair
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