



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Walhalla Elementary
Oconee

Grades: K-5

Enrollment: 500

Principal: Steve Harvey

Superintendent: Dr. Mike Lucas

Board Chair: Andy Inabinet

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	Good	Excellent	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Good	Below Average	N/A	Silver	Met	N/A
2007	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

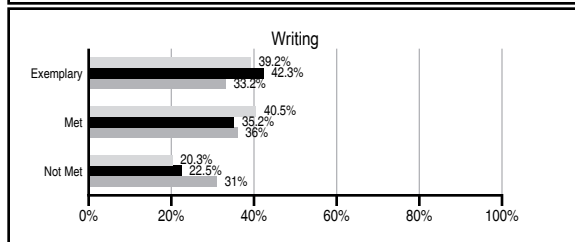
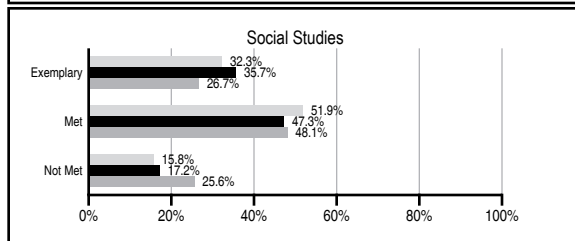
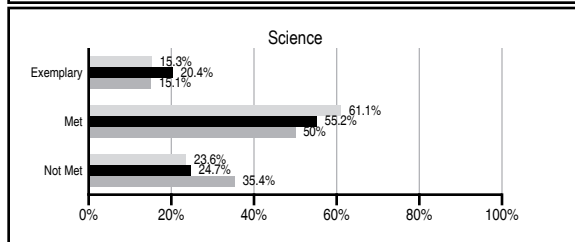
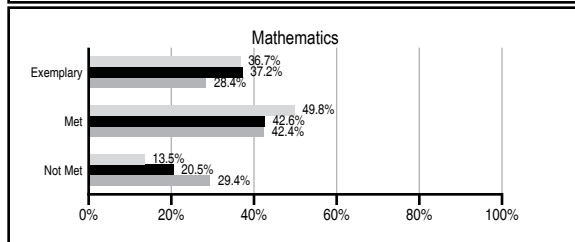
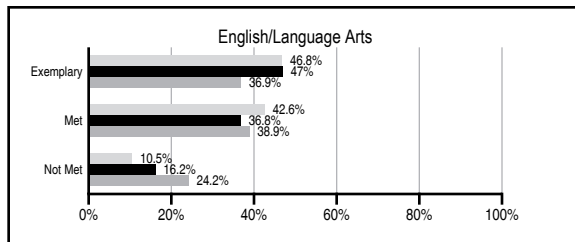
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
19	37	22	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=500)				
Retention rate	1.6%	No Change	1.5%	1.9%
Attendance rate	97.4%	Up from 97.2%	96.6%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	20.7%	Down from 26.9%	15.7%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	5.5%	Up from 4.4%	6.8%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	No Change	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=41)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.0%	Up from 34.2%	61.4%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	92.7%	Up from 78.9%	84.0%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.4%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.9%	Up from 88.9%	87.7%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.9%	Down from 96.5%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,607	Up 9.0%	\$48,458	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	11.3 days	Down from 15.2 days	11.4 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.0 to 1	Down from 20.8 to 1	19.4 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.9%	Down from 92.9%	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	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,412	Up 21.5%	\$6,983	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.0%	Down from 68.0%	68.9%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	58.0%	Down from 64.3%	60.7%	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	40	80	40
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	91.3%	94.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	90.0%	92.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	93.5%	85.0%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Walhalla Elementary is a K-5th grade school that serves 508 students. The mission of Walhalla Elementary School, in cooperation with the home and community, is to develop confident, responsible, productive lifelong learners, by providing a total educational experience in a positive environment. We are very excited about the accomplishments of our students and staff during the 2008-09 school year and we continue to look for ways to improve. Our school met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as defined by the No Child Left Behind Legislation and we received the SC Department of Education Palmetto Silver Award for improved test scores in a historically underachieving group.

With the continued analysis of our state testing results and Measuring Academic Progress (MAP) data we are able to reflect upon our instructional strategies, assessments and programs. This analysis, along with our MAP scores consistently meeting and exceeding the district, state and national averages, assures us that we are individualizing instruction as much as possible for our students.

Staff development continues to be a key component in our success. Our teachers received training in various areas in order to help meet the ever-changing needs of our students. Some of these areas include Positive Behavior Intervention Support, Technology Integration, Balanced Literacy, Curriculum Mapping and Vocabulary Instruction. Our students have opportunities above and beyond the regular school day. Our math and English/Language Arts (ELA) labs are open before and after school. Students in grades 4 and 5 can also participate in our Art Squad and Chorus programs. Our Parent, Teacher, Student Team (PTST) and our School Improvement Council (SIC) continue to play important parts in our success. Donations from the PTST helped us purchase an agenda for each student in grades 3, 4 and 5, instructional technology for our classrooms and computer lab, classroom supplies and many other important items. The PTST also sponsored a Thanksgiving dinner and our Teacher Appreciation Week activities. Our SIC sponsored our Season's Readings program, Math and Science Night and our 5th annual Family Fun Run to promote physical fitness. We also hosted four ESOL Food and Family Nights for our families. Thanks to a wonderful donation from the Itron Corporation we were able to put SmartBoards in each of our academic classes. Our school also received grants from Timken, David Land and the Exxon Corporation, the Walhalla Sertoma Club and Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative. Chick-fil-a of Seneca is our business partner for character education and monthly spirit nights.

Walhalla Elementary students, staff and families continue to have opportunities to participate in service projects. Our RFL team raised money for the American Cancer Society. Our students participated in Jump Rope for Heart to raise money for the American Heart Association. Our school also visited the local retirement home at Christmas and participated in a canned food drive for a local food bank. Walhalla Elementary has numerous accomplishments to be proud of. These accomplishments are only possible because of the dedication of our staff, students and families. We will continue to work together to ensure that Walhalla Elementary School is a place Where Everyone is a Star.

Steve Hanvey, Principal

Patty Stoudemire, SIC Chair

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