

Northside Middle

157 Cougar Drive
West Columbia, South

Grades	6-8 Middle School	
Enrollment	562 Students	
Principal	David Sims	803-739-4190
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Board Chair	Rick Shull	803-796-9172

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2009 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2009	Good	Average
2008	Average	At-Risk
2007	Average	At-Risk
2006	Good	Good
2005	Good	Below Average

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE 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.

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE 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.

Percent of Student PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating

Percent of students tested in 2008-09 whose 2007-08 test scores were located

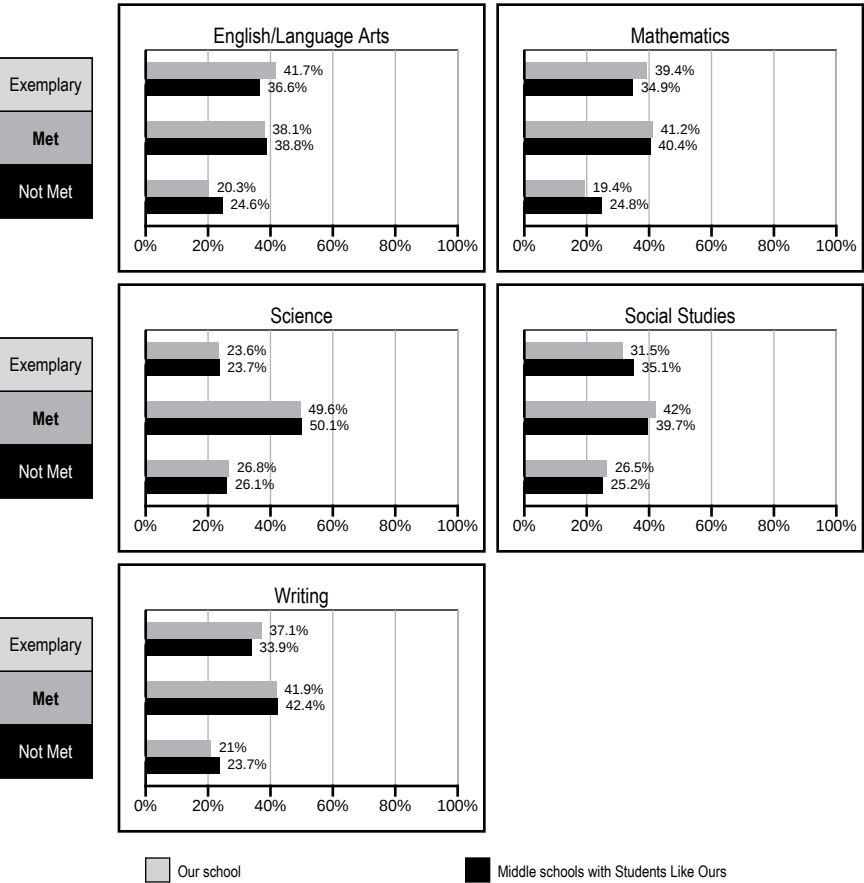
96.2%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
3	15	20	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010.

Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS)



* Middle schools with Students Like Ours are middle schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

Definition of Critical Terms

Exemplary	"Exemplary" means the student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means the student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" means that the student did not meet the grade level standard.

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End of Course Tests

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	96.3%	98.6%
English 1	97.8%	94.6%
Physical Science	N/A	33.3%
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	97.1%	98.2%

School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=562)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	32.8%	Up from 31.8%	33.0%	21.6%
Retention rate	1.6%	Up from 1.2%	1.1%	1.2%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 95.8%	96.2%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	35.6%	Up from 31.4%	20.4%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	12.2%	Up from 11.6%	11.1%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	0.7%	Down from 2.4%	1.4%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Down from 0.7%	0.4%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=39)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	53.8%	Down from 59.0%	60.6%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	84.6%	Up from 82.1%	75.9%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	5.7%	Up from 5.6%	4.3%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	82.5%	Down from 84.8%	85.5%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.2%	Up from 95.1%	95.1%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,101	Up 3.9%	\$47,890	\$46,599
Professional development days/teacher	14.1 days	Down from 17.5 days	10.2 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.8 to 1	Down from 23.1 to 1	21.7 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.1%	Up from 89.9%	90.2%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.0%	Down from 100.0%	99.2%	97.8%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,735	Up 9.5%	\$6,884	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.5%	Down from 70.5%	65.3%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.5%	Down from 67.2%	58.8%	57.0%

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Northside Middle School of Lexington Two remains committed to our community of students, emphasizing our motto, "Nothing Motivates Like Success." We serve a diverse learning community of 565 students from three elementary schools. During this school year, we contributed to our community's needs by providing food baskets in November and December and by making contributions to charitable organizations. Our doors were open to the community for special activities such as Open House, athletic events, winter concerts, Science Night, Paw Talent Show, and the Spring Arts Festival. To accomplish our mission which states, "We will nurture and develop successful life-long learners" we understand that the support and involvement from our families, students, community, and business partners is essential to our achievement.

Our school's success is directly related to the effectiveness of instruction in the academic and elective classrooms. Teachers use their instructional team planning to align their teaching objectives to the S.C. Standards by implementing a standards' driven instructional program. We continue to address the individual academic needs of students. Students at Northside take Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) in reading and math two times each year. Northside has implemented a results-based, data-driven curriculum to ensure academic achievement for all students. All students are assigned an advisor that will assist them throughout the school year. During Advisory students set academic goals based on test results, discuss school life, and focus on our character education qualities. Students are encouraged to obtain their goals, think before they act (TBYA), and to participate in clubs and extra-curricular activities.

Transitions of students are bridged by collaboration between the Elementary, Middle, and High Schools. Northside creates and promotes a safe and inviting school climate. Communication is a key ingredient for our learning community. Weekly emails and three-week interims keep parents up-to-date on student progress. Incoming students from the elementary schools are provided with a question and answer session at each site, an orientation and tour of Northside during the school day, and a summer orientation for new parents and students is also provided. Eighth graders are visited by their future counselors, tour the Brookland Cayce High School campus, and are encouraged to visit during the summer months.

Academically, Northside Middle School had a banner year. Forty-two students were recognized as South Carolina Junior Scholars, and thirteen were honored as Myrdis Walker Scholars. Forty two of our students were named Duke TIP Scholars. Our students' successes included State Fair Art winners, and winners of essay, poster, and talent contests. Our athletic teams represented us well in competition.

We attribute these successes and accomplishments to our community of learners, an exceptionally talented and dedicated staff, an active and strong Paw Booster Club and SIC, along with a dedicated school board, excellent visionary district level leadership, but most of all strong parental and community involvement and support.

David Sims, Principal
Amary Sox, School Improvement Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	165	58
Percent satisfied with learning environment	90.7%	71.3%	91.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.7%	79.1%	84.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.2%	83.2%	82.5%

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

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School Adequate Yearly Progress

NO

This school met 27 out of 29 objectives. The objectives included student performance, graduation rate or student attendance, and participation in the state testing program.

Definition: As required by the United States Department of Education, Adequate Yearly Progress specifies that the statewide target is met for "All Students" and for the following subgroups: Racial/Ethnic, Subsidized Meals, Disability, and Limited English Proficiency in the areas of English/Language Arts and Mathematics, as well as meeting the statewide target for "All Students" for attendance or graduation rate.

School Improvement Status

School Improvement Key	
NI	Newly Identified-The school missed adequate yearly progress (AYP) for two years. Sanction: Offer school choice.
CSI	Continuing School Improvement-The school missed AYP for three years. Sanctions: Continue school choice and implement supplemental services.
CA	Corrective Action-The school missed AYP for four years. Sanction: Continue school choice and supplemental services. The school district takes a corrective action.
RP	Plan to Restructure-Sanctions: Continue school choice and supplemental services. Develop a plan to restructure. If the school misses AYP the next year, the school implements the restructuring plan.
R	Restructure-The school missed AYP after two years of corrective action. Sanctions: Implement the restructuring plan. Continue school choice and supplemental services.
DELAY	The school met AYP in all subgroups and the indicator for one year, thus the delay provision applies. The school remains in the same status as last year and is referred to as in "Delay."
HOLD	The school made progress for one year in the subject area that identified the school for school improvement. The school remains in the same status as last year and is referred to as in "Hold."

Teacher Quality and Student Attendance			
	Our District		State
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%		1.7%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%		5.8%
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	95.5%	94.0%*	Yes

* Or greater than last year

PASS Performance By Group

	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	School % Met or Exemplary*	District % Met or Exemplary*	State % Met or Exemplary*	Performance Objective Met	Participation Objective Met
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English/Language Arts - State Performance Objective = 58.8% (Met or Exemplary)

All Students	554	99.5	22.6	38.2	39.2	86.1	82.1	82.8	Yes	Yes
Gender										
Male	283	99.3	26.4	37.5	36	82.4	77.5	79.3	N/A	N/A
Female	271	99.6	18.7	38.9	42.4	89.9	86.7	86.5	N/A	N/A
Racial/Ethnic Group										
White	353	99.4	11.3	39	49.7	93.8	89	89.5	Yes	Yes
African American	131	99.2	43.6	35.9	20.5	73.5	72.4	73.7	Yes	Yes
Asian/Pacific Islander	6	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	93.9	92.3	I/S	I/S
Hispanic	60	100	45.5	41.8	12.7	67.3	72.7	76.5	Yes	Yes
American Indian/Alaskan	2	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	82.5	I/S	I/S
Disability Status										
Disabled	71	95.8	61.7	26.7	11.7	55	49.7	52	No	Yes
Migrant Status										
Migrant	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	I/S	66.1	N/A	N/A
English Proficiency										
Limited English Proficient	63	100	47.5	35.6	16.9	66.1	69.5	75.1	Yes	Yes
Socio-Economic Status										
Subsided meals	231	99.6	39.9	36.1	24	74.5	74.7	75.5	Yes	Yes

Mathematics - State Performance Objective = 57.8% (Met or Exemplary)

All Students	554	99.5	20.8	44.6	34.6	85.3	79	78.9	Yes	Yes
Gender										
Male	283	99.3	24.5	45.2	30.3	81.6	76.5	77	N/A	N/A
Female	271	99.6	17.1	44	38.9	89.1	81.4	80.9	N/A	N/A
Racial/Ethnic Group										
White	353	99.4	12.8	42.6	44.6	92	86.8	87.2	Yes	Yes
African American	131	99.2	37.6	46.2	16.2	72.6	66.4	66.7	Yes	Yes
Asian/Pacific Islander	6	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	97	93	I/S	I/S
Hispanic	60	100	36.4	52.7	10.9	70.9	75.3	76	Yes	Yes
American Indian/Alaskan	2	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	79.5	I/S	I/S
Disability Status										
Disabled	71	95.8	61.7	33.3	5	46.7	44.7	45.5	No	Yes
Migrant Status										
Migrant	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	I/S	75.7	N/A	N/A
English Proficiency										
Limited English Proficient	63	100	35.6	50.8	13.6	71.2	72.4	76.1	Yes	Yes
Socio-Economic Status										
Subsided meals	231	99.6	37.5	46.6	15.9	72.6	71.3	70.2	Yes	Yes

* Adjusted to account for natural variation in performance.

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PASS Performance By Group

	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	School % Met or Exemplary	District % Met or Exemplary	State % Met or Exemplary
Science								
All Students	369	100	27	49.4	23.6	73	68	67.5
Gender								
Male	183	100	30	45.9	24.1	70	66.4	67
Female	186	100	24.2	52.8	23	75.8	69.7	68
Racial/Ethnic Group								
White	234	100	15.2	53.1	31.7	84.8	79.7	79.5
African American	81	100	50	41.9	8.1	50	49.8	50.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	4	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	75	84.3
Hispanic	48	100	47.7	43.2	9.1	52.3	59.3	60.7
American Indian/Alaskan	1	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	71.2
Disability Status								
Disabled	49	100	68.9	28.9	2.2	31.1	37.1	35.6
Migrant Status								
Migrant	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	I/S	46.1
English Proficiency								
Limited English Proficient	47	100	50	43.2	6.8	50	55.8	59.6
Socio-Economic Status								
Subsided meals	155	100	47.1	40	12.9	52.9	56.3	55.1

Social Studies

All Students	363	100	26.5	41.9	31.7	73.5	73.2	72.3
Gender								
Male	186	100	29.1	37.1	33.7	70.9	70.7	71.5
Female	177	100	23.7	46.7	29.6	76.3	75.7	73.2
Racial/Ethnic Group								
White	228	100	19.5	42.7	37.7	80.5	80.5	80.7
African American	88	100	41.8	38	20.3	58.2	61.6	60
Asian/Pacific Islander	4	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	84.2	88.5
Hispanic	40	100	36.8	50	13.2	63.2	69.6	68
American Indian/Alaskan	2	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	72.2
Disability Status								
Disabled	43	100	62.2	29.7	8.1	37.8	41.2	43.5
Migrant Status								
Migrant	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	I/S	50.7
English Proficiency								
Limited English Proficient	42	100	34.1	46.3	19.5	65.9	67.9	67.9
Socio-Economic Status								
Subsided meals	157	100	37.8	42.7	19.6	62.2	65.2	62.1

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PASS Performance By Group

	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	School % Met or Exemplary	District % Met or Exemplary	State % Met or Exemplary	School Attendance Rate	District Attendance Rate
Writing										
All Students	564	98.2	20.3	42.3	37.5	79.7	68.3	70.2	95.5	95.8
Gender										
Male	287	97.2	29.1	41.4	29.5	70.9	59.9	63.2	95.4	95.8
Female	277	99.3	11.5	43.1	45.4	88.5	76.8	77.5	95.6	95.9
Racial/Ethnic Group										
White	356	98.3	11.3	40.7	48.1	88.7	76.1	79.1	95.5	95.6
African American	136	97.8	34.2	49.2	16.7	65.8	56.1	57.6	95.5	96
Asian/Pacific Islander	6	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	90.9	86.2	97.9	96.5
Hispanic	62	98.4	48.2	39.3	12.5	51.8	62.8	62.6	95.4	96.1
American Indian/Alaskan	2	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	68.7	96.1	95.6
Disability Status										
Disabled	70	92.9	79.3	19	1.7	20.7	23	26.1	95.2	95.2
Migrant Status										
Migrant	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	I/S	54.7	N/A	97.2
English Proficiency										
Limited English Proficient	65	98.5	45	38.3	16.7	55	59.2	61.2	95.7	96.2
Socio-Economic Status										
Subsidized meals	226	96.9	36	45.5	18.5	64	58.8	58.9	94.6	95.4

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PASS Performance By Grade Level

	Grade	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met or Exemplary
English/Language Arts							
2009	3	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	6	181	100	18.5	39.3	42.3	81.5
	7	181	100	23.3	34.3	42.4	76.7
	8	192	98.4	25.8	41	33.1	74.2
Mathematics							
2009	3	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	6	181	100	11.3	54.8	33.9	88.7
	7	181	100	23.8	39.5	36.6	76.2
	8	192	98.4	27	39.9	33.1	73
Science							
2009	3	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	6	92	100	27.1	54.1	18.8	72.9
	7	181	100	22.5	51.4	26	77.5
	8	96	100	35.6	41.1	23.3	64.4
Social Studies							
2009	3	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	6	89	100	14.5	51.8	33.7	85.5
	7	181	100	35.8	35.8	28.3	64.2
	8	93	100	19.3	44.3	36.4	80.7
Writing							
2009	3	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	6	184	99.5	18.8	43.5	37.6	81.2
	7	185	98.9	19	40.8	40.2	81
	8	195	96.4	22.9	42.5	34.6	77.1

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