

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

H E McCracken Middle
Beaufort County
Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 1,214
Principal: Phillip Shaw
Superintendent: Dr. Valerie Truesdale
Board Chair: Fred Washington

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

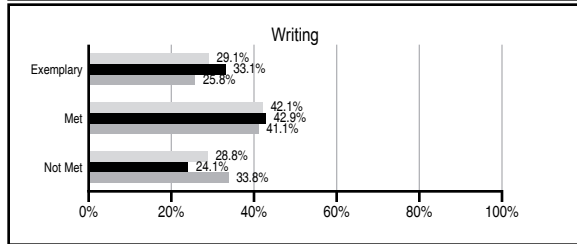
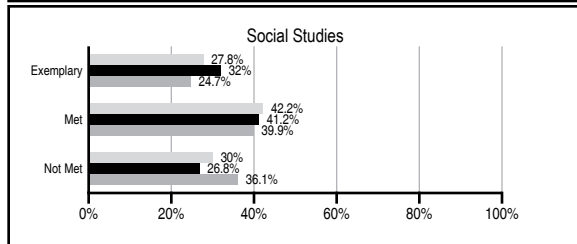
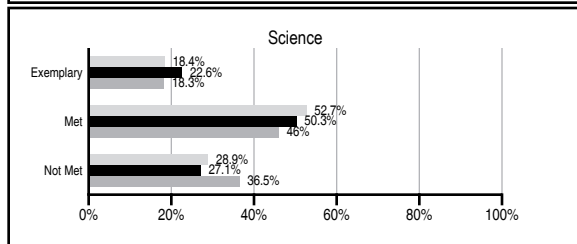
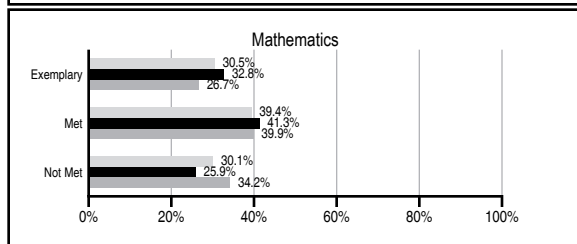
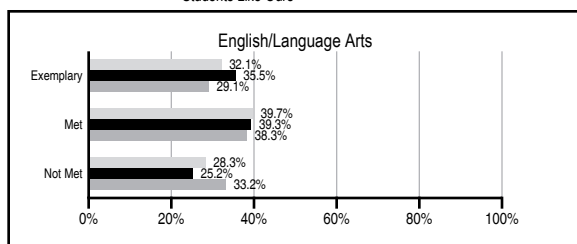
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	12	25	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	31	44	23	2
Nation	27	43	27	2

% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced

Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced

MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7

% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced

Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)

South Carolina	46	31	21	2
Nation	43	30	24	3

% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced

Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	98.2
English 1	N/A	94.8
Physical Science	N/A	66.7
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	97.9

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.

Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined

NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=1,214)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	13.8%	Up from 12.6%	22.6%	21.6%
Retention rate	3.4%	Up from 1.0%	1.0%	1.2%
Attendance rate	96.4%	Down from 96.6%	96.1%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	19.8%	Down from 20.8%	19.7%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	9.2%	Down from 9.8%	11.3%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	2.7%	Up from 1.6%	1.7%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.5%	Down from 2.3%	0.4%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=78)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	55.1%	Up from 53.3%	57.4%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	64.1%	Up from 60.0%	76.9%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	6.2%	Down from 8.3%	4.2%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	75.2%	Up from 70.4%	85.6%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Down from 95.7%	95.3%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,778	Up 1.6%	\$47,028	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.8%	Down from 12.7%	0.7%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	6.8 days	Down from 7.5 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	21.7 to 1	Up from 20.7 to 1	21.8 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.9%	Down from 91.2%	90.1%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.5%	Up from 84.4%	99.3%	97.8%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,437	Up 6.4%	\$6,873	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.7%	Up from 65.6%	64.7%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	54.2%	Down from 63.2%	57.1%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	93.1%	Up from 62.1%	91.3%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.
** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

McCracken Middle experienced another tremendous year.

McCracken achieved numerous firsts this year. For the first time ever, our school was recognized by the State Department of Education for improvement in test scores through the Palmetto Gold and Silver program. Another first for McCracken was having the greatest number of students recognized for academic excellence by the Junior Scholar program.

Our School Improvement Council took an active role in moving us forward. From our school's council we gave birth to a parent advocacy group for gifted children in our cluster. Additionally, we engaged the district in discussions around healthier lunch choices. We continued to focus on safety with visits from our police chief, district director of protective service and district coordinator for student services.

Our athletic teams once again brought home numerous championships including an undefeated season by our softball team and baseball teams.

We continue to grow as our student body passed 1200. This has given us a greater opportunity than ever to make an impact with our middle school students!

The opportunities continue to grow as McCracken becomes better and better. Thank you all for being so supportive as we truly get closer to being the best middle school ever!

With High Regards-

Myrna Rigg – SIC Chair
Phillip Shaw – Principal

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	346	90
Percent satisfied with learning environment	85.0%	63.7%	76.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	85.0%	65.5%	67.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.0%	72.7%	68.5%

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

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