



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

WARE SHOALS ELEMENTARY

Greenwood 51

Grades: 4-6

Enrollment: 259

Principal: Nancy Brown

Superintendent: Fay S. Sprouse, PhD

Board Chair: Jack Sullivan

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		
2010	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Good	Silver	Silver	Met	N/A
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

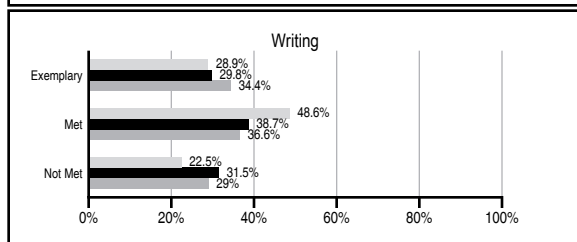
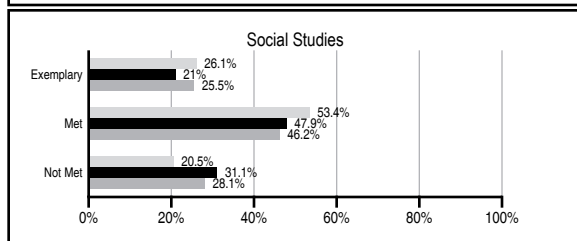
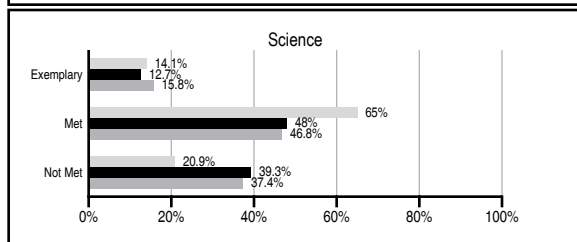
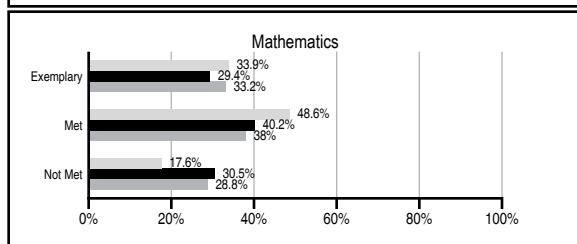
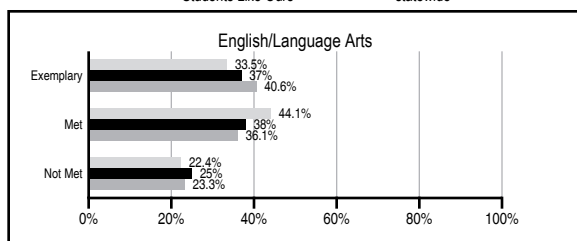
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	20	94	8	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. 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.

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	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=259)				
Retention rate	1.6%	Up from 1.5%	1.3%	1.2%
Attendance rate	96.2%	No Change	95.8%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	22.4%	Up from 10.6%	10.5%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	17.1%	Down from 17.4%	8.7%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	1.2%	Down from 2.0%	0.5%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.9%	Down from 4.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=17)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	47.1%	No Change	59.8%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	94.1%	Up from 64.7%	85.7%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.8%	Up from 77.9%	87.7%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	94.1%	Down from 95.2%	95.0%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$40,106	Up 2.2%	\$47,036	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	6.1 days	Down from 9.1 days	10.3 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18.4 to 1	Up from 18.0 to 1	19.2 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.6%	Down from 90.9%	89.9%	90.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	96.4%	Down from 99.8%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,256	Up 2.1%	\$7,482	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.9%	No Change	68.0%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	52.8%	Up from 51.6%	64.5%	65.1%
% of AYP objectives met	95.2%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	68	50
Percent satisfied with learning environment	90.0%	92.5%	88.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	90.9%	86.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.0%	88.1%	84.0%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Ware Shoals Elementary School is a community dedicated to educational excellence. Our mission is to provide a foundation of academic excellence that will enable all students to become independent, lifelong learners in today's ever changing society. Ware Shoals Elementary has had an outstanding year! This year Ware Shoals Elementary School met AYP. Our rating on the State School Report Card was an Average Absolute Rating and a Good Improvement Rating. Our school received recognition as a SC Silver Award winner. This award recognizes and rewards academic achievement. Ware Shoals Elementary School was also recognized for Closing the Achievement Gap by reducing the achievement gap for at least one historically underachieving student group.

To maximize academic achievement the following instructional tools are being used: Compass Learning Odyssey allows teachers to create individual learning paths that address each student's unique challenges, MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) reflects the instructional level of students and measures their growth over time, and teachers are participating in Reading and Writing Connections. This professional development raises students' achievement in reading and writing through a model that interconnects these two literacies. At Ware Shoals, students are held accountable to high standards of achievement. We recognize students' academic accomplishments through the Accelerated Reading Program, Semester Awards Day Programs, the District and Regional Spelling Bees, and the Beta Club. Students at Ware Shoals Elementary are given the opportunity to attend the Release Time Program. Our students are also provided an opportunity to participate in service learning activities which allow our students to give back to the community. This year our service learning project was for Relay for Life. Funds toward our \$5,000.00 goal were raised by school dances and contests held throughout the year. The faculty and staff at Ware Shoals Elementary School are united in our efforts to develop our students socially, emotionally, and intellectually. A combined effort from a dedicated faculty and staff, concerned parents, and a supportive community assures that we are assisting students in reaching their full potential.

Nancy Brown, Principal WSES

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