



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

NORTHSIDE ELEMENTARY

Oconee

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 569

Principal: Geoff Smith

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		
2010	Good	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2009	Excellent	Good	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A
2008	Good	Below Average	N/A	Silver	Met	N/A

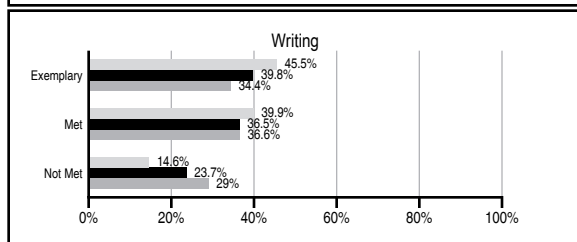
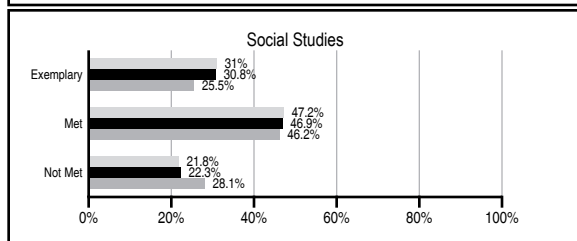
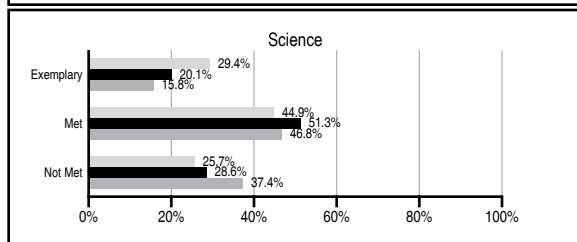
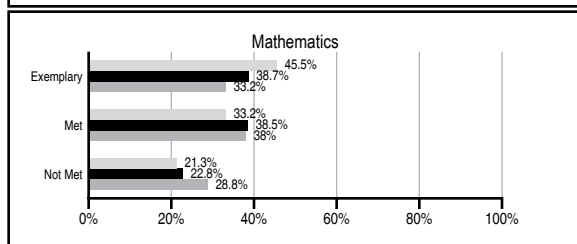
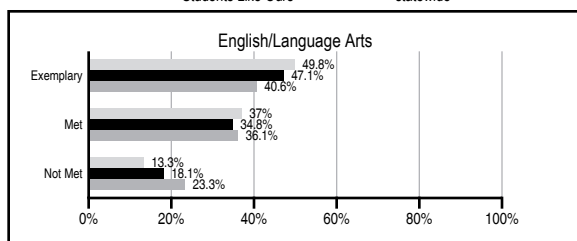
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
19	36	32	0	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

NORTHSIDE ELEMENTARY [Oconee]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=569)				
Retention rate	1.7%	Up from 1.1%	1.3%	1.2%
Attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 96.4%	96.1%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	14.5%	Down from 28.3%	15.7%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	7.9%	Up from 6.0%	8.1%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	No Change	0.3%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=36)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.1%	Up from 53.3%	60.0%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	91.7%	Up from 86.7%	87.5%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.6%	Up from 84.5%	88.2%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	97.1%	Up from 96.2%	95.5%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,428	Down 1.6%	\$48,008	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	10.0 days	Up from 8.8 days	10.6 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	11.0	Up from 10.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.1 to 1	Up from 19.5 to 1	20.2 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.3%	Up from 92.0%	90.6%	90.8%
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**	\$7,761	Down 2.1%	\$6,921	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.1%	Up from 64.0%	69.1%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.0%	Up from 60.2%	66.0%	65.1%
% 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	35	69	23
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.1%	91.3%	95.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.1%	92.8%	91.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	94.3%	92.8%	95.5%

*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

The mission of Northside Elementary, in partnership with homes and the community, is to challenge every child to be a “Learner for Life.” It is this team approach that makes Northside an inviting, warm, safe, and nurturing place. As a Red Carpet school, Northside continues to serve its students and the school's community. It is a school of high expectations that wishes the very best for every child. Northside Elementary is a community of 585 students in grades prekindergarten(4) through grade five. There is an even split between male and female students, and a variety of cultural backgrounds are represented. Our average class size, in grades 1-3, is 21 students, and, in grades 4 and 5, the average class size is 23 students.

Students and staff here at Northside have the privilege of being in a building that is clean and attractive both outside and inside. A recent renovation has added three new wings, as well as a new gym, cafeteria, science lab, and second computer lab. The media center has an open format and the fine arts program offers many opportunities for our students. Several pieces of student artwork are displayed in the community and around our school. The music program provides many performance opportunities, including a 5th grade chorus. Physical Education continues to teach students about fitness and general well being. A program titled Zest Quest has added a wellness coach to the school, which integrates health standards into the general curriculum. Speech, Reading Recovery, English as a Second Language, targeted assistance teachers, and a resource class all aid in the development of children needing additional assistance. Northside Elementary offers a comprehensive guidance program with a variety of programs to enhance each child’s personal well being. A gifted and talented class serves students who score at the state-identified level. Instruction is infused with lessons utilizing Smartboards, United Streaming, and laptop computers as well as LCD projectors. The staff of Northside also does a terrific job in handling day-to-day clerical needs, keeping the school looking great, and preparing the breakfast and lunch program. Support from an active parent group as well as the School Improvement Council provides necessary input for continued growth and school improvement. A 5k/1-mile fun run was enjoyed by many. Community sponsorships from this event will assist in providing field-trip cost assistance.

It is this well rounded approach and quality daily instruction that has made test scores of Northside students consistently higher than the state averages, earning the school recognition as a Palmetto Gold winner. Northside also met the federal mandate in the No Child Left Behind Act of making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for the sixth year in a row. There is a continual analysis of MAP and PASS scores to seek ways to improve upon our daily instruction and support programs. Through the commitment of the Northside staff, it is our goal to meet each child’s needs and encourage them to be Learners for Life.

Geoff Smith, Northside Principal
Jennifer Adams, SIC Chair