



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

JAMES M. BROWN ELEMENTARY

Oconee

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 717

Principal: Michelle Grant

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	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	CSI
2009	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI
2008	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

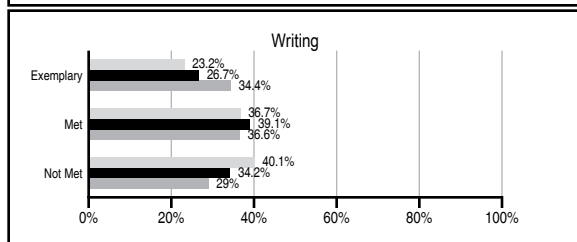
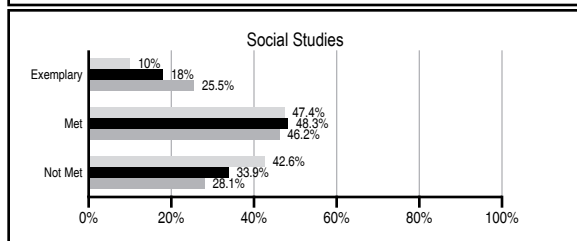
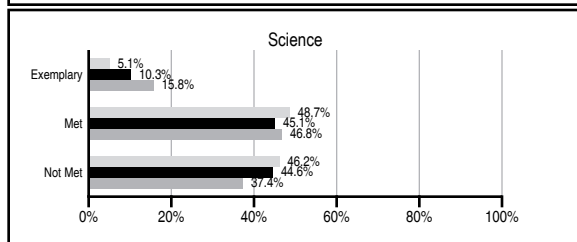
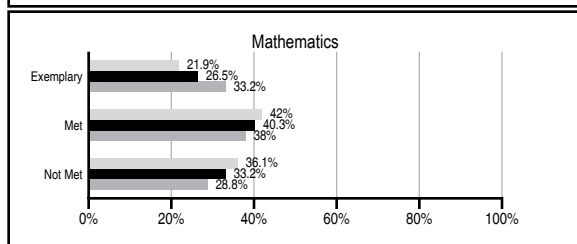
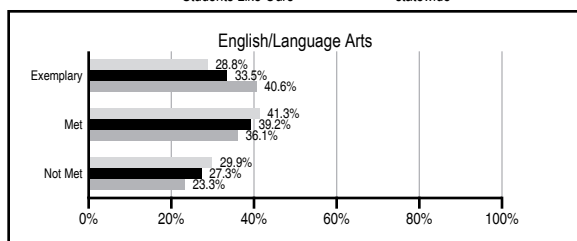
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	8	93	16	2

* 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.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=717)				
Retention rate	1.5%	Down from 2.5%	1.6%	1.2%
Attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 96.0%	95.7%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	6.3%	Down from 10.1%	9.1%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	8.2%	Up from 8.1%	9.1%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	0.8%	Down from 1.2%	0.6%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=54)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.0%	Up from 49.1%	58.7%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	87.0%	Up from 65.5%	84.2%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.2%	Down from 85.9%	86.3%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 94.4%	95.0%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$43,878	Down 2.9%	\$46,509	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	13.6 days	Up from 7.1 days	11.1 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.7 to 1	Up from 18.6 to 1	19.2 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.6%	Up from 88.7%	90.0%	90.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.8%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,574	Up 3.4%	\$7,642	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.8%	Down from 65.0%	67.7%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.7%	Down from 62.1%	64.5%	65.1%
% of AYP objectives met	92.0%	Down from 96.0%	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	49	106	72
Percent satisfied with learning environment	77.6%	94.3%	91.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	77.1%	94.3%	88.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	85.7%	91.4%	81.7%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

James M. Brown Elementary, a Title I school, is proud of the achievements of our students and continually strives to provide the best educational programs and learning techniques for our children. Our mission is to develop lifelong learners who are respectful, responsible, and honest citizens, by providing meaningful educational experiences for all students. Our dedicated faculty and staff work daily to meet the needs of all our students to ensure their success.

JMB has been the recipient of numerous awards over the past several years. In addition to being named Carolina First Palmetto's Finest in 2001, JMB has been recognized as a South Carolina Honor Reading School and as a South Carolina Red Carpet School in 2001-2002 and again in 2006-2007.

At JMB, we are constantly searching for new methods and programs to give our students the greatest opportunities for educational success. JMB implemented a Reading Intervention Program in 2007-2008 to focus on meeting the needs of students who struggle with fluency and comprehension. We have been pleased with the results of this program and the opportunity it offers our students in reading. JMB has successfully implemented a Math Intervention Program in 2009-2010 to focus on meeting the needs of students who struggle with basic mathematics (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division), algorithms, and problem solving.

Test scores from PASS and MAP will be analyzed to determine areas of strengths and areas for improvement in Reading and Math. JMB did not meet AYP in the area of disabled math. We met 24 out of 25 objectives. In 2010-2011, JMB will administer benchmark assessments in the area of mathematics. Assessments will be analyzed to determine areas of strengths and areas for improvement.

Our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and School Improvement Council (SIC)/Title I Committee continue to be active participants in JMB's successes. Donations from our PTO have enabled the school to purchase rewards for our student incentive program and individual teacher or grade-level requests, and provided funding for special events, such as Donuts for Dads and Muffins for Mom. Our SIC/Title I Committee was actively involved with the Title I Plan by making recommendations and suggestions for continued school improvement.

Our continued improvement is attributed to a highly qualified and dedicated faculty, strong parent and community support, and innovative, researched-based programs. It is the goal of JMB to meet each child's needs and maximize their potential for success.

Michelle Grant, Principal
Jim Mann, School Improvement Council/Title I Committee Chair

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