



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

WALHALLA ELEMENTARY

Oconee

Grades: K-5

Enrollment: 529

Principal: Steve Harvey

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

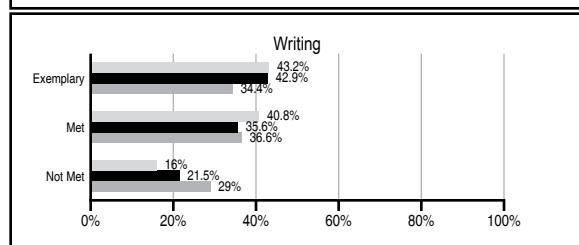
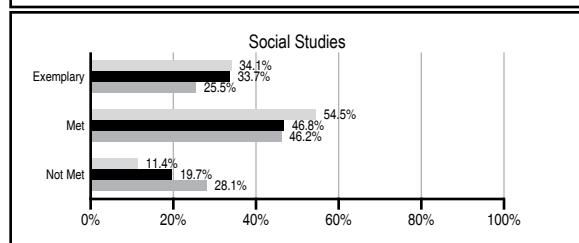
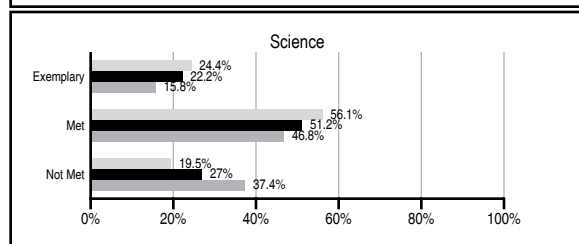
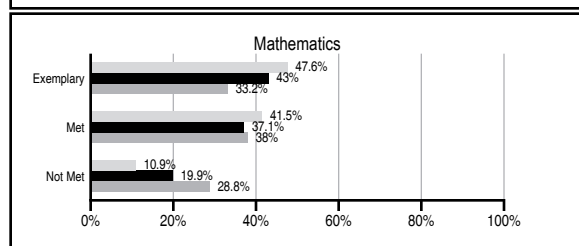
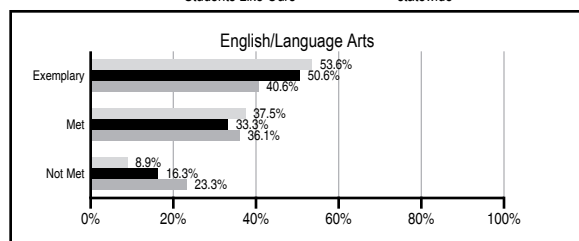
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
30	30	16	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.

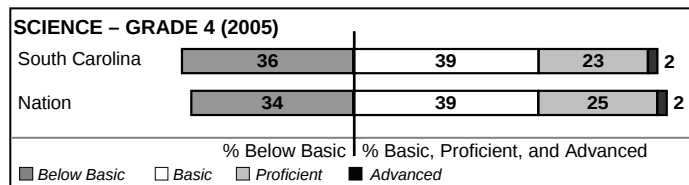
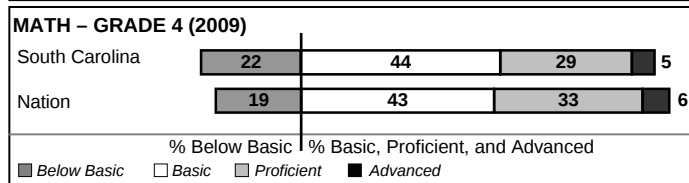
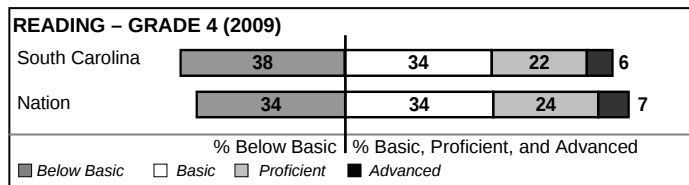
PASS PERFORMANCE

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.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=529)				
Retention rate	0.9%	Down from 1.6%	0.8%	1.2%
Attendance rate	96.6%	Down from 97.4%	96.6%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	21.3%	Up from 20.7%	17.0%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	4.1%	Down from 5.5%	6.8%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	No Change	0.2%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=39)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.5%	Up from 61.0%	62.5%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	94.9%	Up from 92.7%	86.3%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.6%	Up from 2.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.9%	Up from 90.9%	89.4%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	97.9%	Up from 93.9%	95.8%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,288	Up 1.5%	\$48,552	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	12.3 days	Up from 11.3 days	11.4 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	8.0	Up from 7.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.1 to 1	Up from 20.0 to 1	19.9 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	94.0%	Up from 90.9%	91.8%	90.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.8%	Down from 99.9%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,888	Up 6.4%	\$7,214	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.9%	Up from 61.0%	69.4%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.9%	Up from 58.0%	66.3%	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	40	77	53
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	84.0%	92.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	89.3%	98.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	89.3%	92.5%

*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

Walhalla Elementary School is a K-5th grade school that serves 529 students. The mission of Walhalla Elementary School, in cooperation with the home and community, is to develop confident, responsible, and productive lifelong learners, by providing a total educational experience in a positive environment. We are very excited about the accomplishments of our students and staff during the 2009-2010 school year and we continue to look for ways to improve. Our school met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and we received the SC State Department of Education Palmetto Silver Award for improving test scores in a historically underachieving group and the Palmetto Gold Award for our overall test scores.

Through the continued analysis of our state testing results, our classroom assessment information, and Measuring Academic Progress (MAP) data, we are able to reflect upon our instructional strategies, assessments, and programs. This analysis, along with our MAP scores consistently meeting and exceeding the district, state, and national averages, assures us that we are individualizing instruction as much as possible for our students.

Staff development continues to be a key component in our success. Our teachers have received training in various areas in order to help meet the ever-changing needs of our students. Some of these areas include Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS), Technology Integration, Balanced Literacy, Formative and Summative Assessments and Vocabulary Instruction.

Our students have opportunities above and beyond the regular school day. Our Math and English/Language Arts (ELA) labs are open before and after school. Students in grades 4 and 5 can also participate in our Art Squad and Chorus programs. Our Parent, Teacher, Student Team (PTST) and our School Improvement Council (SIC) continue to play important parts in our success. Donations from the PTST helped us purchase an agenda for each student in grades 3, 4 and 5, classroom instructional supplies, and many other important items. The PTST also sponsored a Thanksgiving dinner, a Spring Carnival, and our Teacher Appreciation Week activities. Our SIC sponsored our Season's Readings program, Math and Science Night and our 6th annual Family Fun Run to promote physical fitness. We also hosted several ESOL Food and Family Nights for our families. Our school received grants from David Land and the Exxon Corporation, the Walhalla Sertoma Club, and Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative. Chick-fil-a of Seneca is our business partner for character education and monthly spirit nights. Walhalla Elementary students, staff, and families continue to have opportunities to participate in service projects. Our Relay for Life team raised money for the American Cancer Society. Our students participated in Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart to raise money for the American Heart Association. Our school also visited the local retirement home at Christmas and participated in a canned food drive for a local food bank and a supply drive for the Humane Society.

As you can see, Walhalla Elementary School has numerous accomplishments to be proud of. These accomplishments are only possible because of the dedication of our staff, students, and families. We will continue to work together to ensure that Walhalla Elementary School is a place Where Everyone is a Star.

Steve Hanvey, Principal
Darren Phillis, SIC Chairperson

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