



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**HICKORY GROVE-SHARON ELEMENTARY**  
**York 1**  
**Grades: PK-6** **Enrollment: 439**  
**Principal: H. Dietrich Long**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Vernon Prosser**  
**Board Chair: Chris Revels**

## 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             | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2009 | Average         | Average       | N/A                            | N/A             | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2008 | Average         | Below Average | N/A                            | N/A             | Met        | N/A                     |

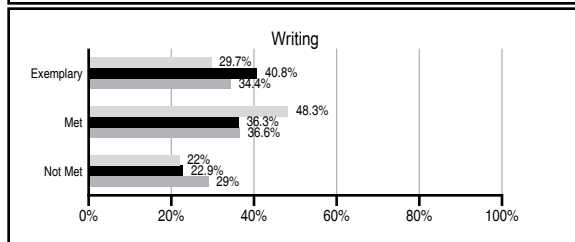
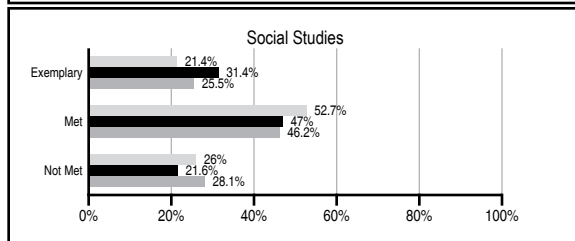
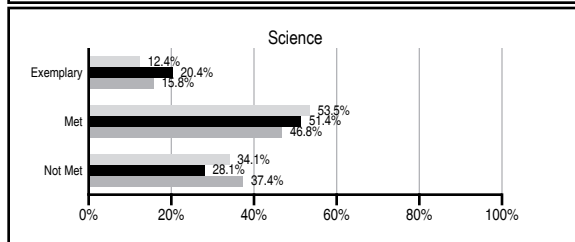
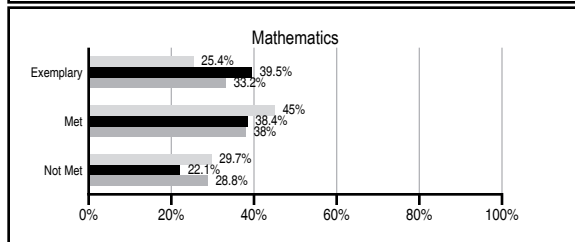
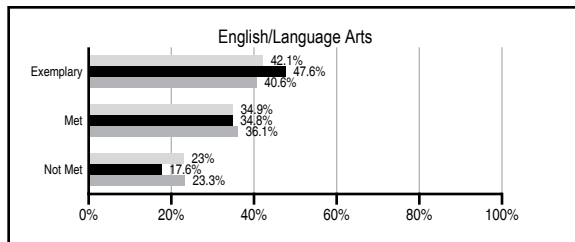
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 21        | 40   | 27      | 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

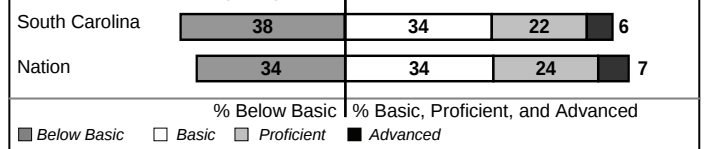
Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



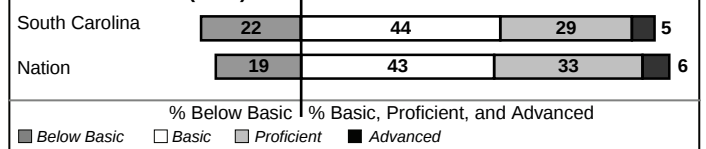
## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

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

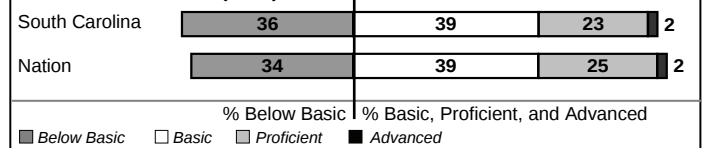
### READING – GRADE 4 (2009)



### MATH – GRADE 4 (2009)



### SCIENCE – GRADE 4 (2005)



## 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

HICKORY GROVE-SHARON ELEMENTARY [York 1]

SCHOOL PROFILE

|                                                                              | Our School | Change from Last Year | Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours | Median Elementary School |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Students (n=439)                                                             |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Retention rate                                                               | 1.5%       | Down from 6.1%        | 1.2%                                       | 1.2%                     |
| Attendance rate                                                              | 96.0%      | Up from 95.9%         | 96.2%                                      | 96.1%                    |
| Eligible for gifted and talented                                             | 17.3%      | Up from 16.1%         | 15.8%                                      | 11.7%                    |
| With disabilities other than speech                                          | 5.5%       | Up from 5.3%          | 7.9%                                       | 8.0%                     |
| Older than usual for grade                                                   | 1.8%       | Down from 3.0%        | 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=28)                                                              |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                                               | 75.0%      | Up from 72.4%         | 61.1%                                      | 60.5%                    |
| Continuing contract teachers                                                 | 100.0%     | Up from 96.6%         | 87.5%                                      | 84.6%                    |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates                          | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| Teachers returning from previous year                                        | 96.2%      | Up from 96.1%         | 89.1%                                      | 87.0%                    |
| Teacher attendance rate                                                      | 93.0%      | Down from 94.5%       | 95.4%                                      | 95.4%                    |
| Average teacher salary*                                                      | \$50,809   | Up 2.9%               | \$48,075                                   | \$47,288                 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                              | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| Professional development days/teacher                                        | 7.4 days   | Down from 12.2 days   | 10.4 days                                  | 10.5 days                |
| School                                                                       |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Principal's years at school                                                  | 2.5        | Up from 1.5           | 4.8                                        | 4.0                      |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 18.6 to 1  | Up from 13.3 to 1     | 20.1 to 1                                  | 19.2 to 1                |
| Prime instructional time                                                     | 88.1%      | Down from 89.6%       | 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%     | Up from 83.5%         | 100.0%                                     | 100.0%                   |
| Character development program                                                | Average    | No Change             | Excellent                                  | Excellent                |
| Dollars spent per pupil**                                                    | \$7,170    | Down 0.7%             | \$7,010                                    | \$7,548                  |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 68.7%      | No Change             | 68.9%                                      | 68.7%                    |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**                               | 67.3%      | Up from 65.6%         | 65.3%                                      | 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                             | 27       | 40        | 36       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 96.3%    | 85.0%     | 77.8%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 100.0%   | 82.5%     | 77.8%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 92.3%    | 77.5%     | 75.0%    |

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

This past year at Hickory Grove/Sharon Elementary has been a very successful one, as academic growth continues to be a top priority. We continued to encourage all of our students to display good character traits.

Through the hard work of administration and staff, we are happy to report that our school secured over \$8,000 in grant money to be used in various school projects, including school beautification, adding new playground equipment, and the construction of an outdoor classroom. We look forward to looking into more opportunities for the upcoming year.

Our parents and students enjoyed many programs this past school year, including our Winter and Spring music productions, Fall for Reading carnival, Movie Night, and Field Day. About once a month, our students also participated in our Jam-in-the-Gym, a character-education-driven assembly held about once per month.

We are proud of our new sixth grade safety patrol, students who excel academically and/or behaviorally that volunteer to help with areas such as assisting with morning car duty, assisting with directing our younger children in the building, and helping with assemblies. We will continue this with our sixth graders.

We are proud that our hardworking PTO group and our teacher sponsor were able to secure the funds to produce another school yearbook, at little cost or no cost to some this year. Our PTO also gave our teachers treats for Teacher Appreciation Week that included duty free lunches, massages, and other treats.

We are very proud that Heather Montgomery, York School District One Teacher of the Year, came from our school this past year. She is our first district teacher of the year since 1998, and we are certainly proud of her and all of our teachers for their hard work.

H. Dietrich Long, Principal  
Leslie Ann Howell, School Improvement Council Chairperson

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