



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

RICHARD H GETTYS MIDDLE

Pickens

Grades: 6-8

Enrollment: 1,284

Principal: Michael S. Cory

Superintendent: Dr. Henry Hunt

Board Chair: Jim Shelton

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	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

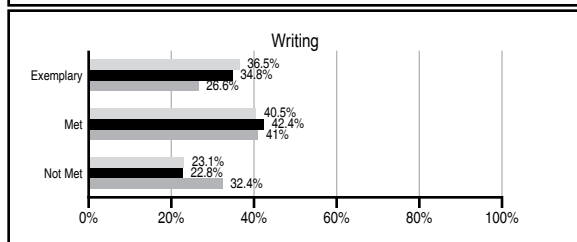
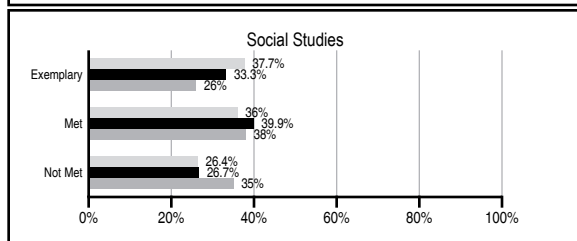
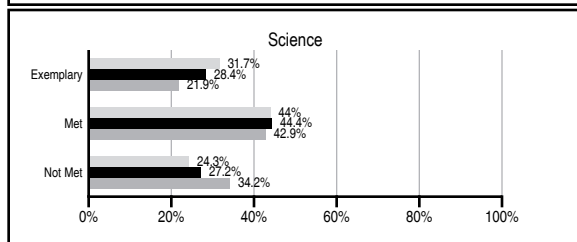
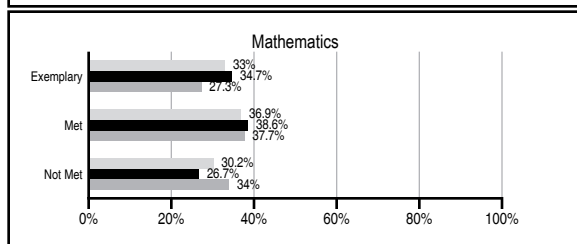
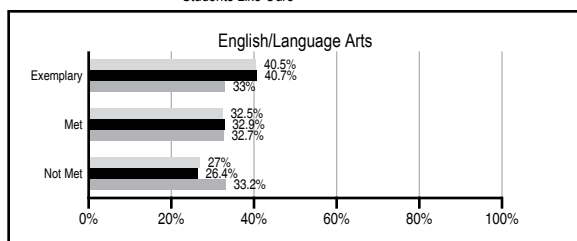
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	16	19	0	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

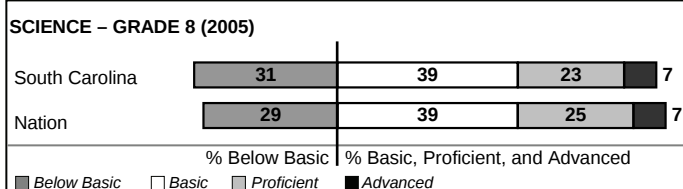
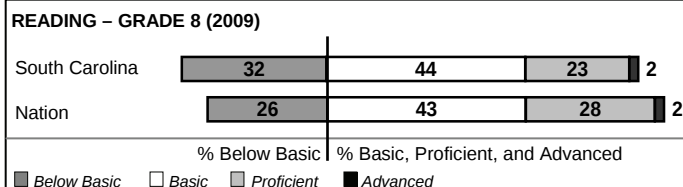
PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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



END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	96.7	98.5
English 1	100.0	96.7
Physical Science	N/A	22.8
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	97.9	96.7

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	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=1,284)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	62.4%	Up from 56.3%	33.1%	24.2%
Retention rate	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	0.6%	0.7%
Attendance rate	96.0%	No Change	96.0%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	24.5%	Up from 24.2%	21.2%	16.4%
With disabilities other than speech	11.1%	Up from 11.0%	11.2%	12.0%
Older than usual for grade	1.2%	Down from 2.4%	1.4%	2.2%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.1%	Down from 1.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Annual dropout rate	0.1%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=78)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	64.1%	Down from 65.2%	59.7%	58.5%
Continuing contract teachers	84.6%	Up from 78.7%	81.6%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	5.7%	Up from 4.8%	3.8%	4.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	84.9%	Down from 86.0%	86.7%	84.6%
Teacher attendance rate	96.5%	Up from 95.3%	95.4%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,418	Down 1.3%	\$46,846	\$46,561
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.6%	1.3%
Professional development days/teacher	10.4 days	Up from 8.8 days	9.9 days	10.2 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.0 to 1	Down from 23.9 to 1	21.9 to 1	21.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.0%	Up from 90.5%	90.3%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	84.5%	Down from 95.2%	96.9%	98.1%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,562	Up 2.2%	\$7,228	\$7,802
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.7%	Up from 60.3%	64.4%	63.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.5%	Up from 56.7%	61.2%	60.0%
% of AYP objectives met	92.6%	Down from 93.1%	92.9%	92.3%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	72	375	188
Percent satisfied with learning environment	88.9%	66.2%	80.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	91.7%	68.5%	69.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.3%	82.5%	82.1%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Gettys Middle School students, staff, administration, and community are "Making Gettys Great." The 2009-2010 school year has been a very successful year at Gettys Middle School. We have set high expectations for our students learning and development. For the third consecutive year our school's growth rating has increased one level each year due to our dedicated efforts of school improvement.

Academically, our students have achieved award-winning excellence. Our focus on literacy initiatives produced two significant writing awards for our students. One of our students was the best in the state in the Champions of the Environment Writing Contest. We also were recognized as the best in our district with the State Superintendent Writing Award Winner. A record number of students received Presidential Academic Excellence awards from President Obama as well as dedicated participation in our National Junior Honor Society and BETA Clubs. Our students completed MAPS testing to chart their individual growth in Math and English, and numerous students have shown outstanding gains. As a school, our students exceeded national averages in all grade levels and all subjects tested for each of the three MAPS testing periods. A significant accomplishment was receiving our highest growth rating on our school report card in over seven years.

Our goals are to achieve academic excellence, positive character development, and successful partnerships with our families and communities. Each of these goals was accomplished with award-winning efforts and people working together. Our school received the 2010 Safe Kids School Award for our emphasis on safety and student wellness. We created the Bridges to Success academic program to meet the needs of at-risk learners. Our teacher's outstanding efforts were recognized in two grant awards. As a recipient of the ING grant, our school sponsored the first GMS Christmas Cruise 5K Run/Walk that focused on student wellness. Another teacher was recognized with the Exxon Mobil Educational Alliance Grant in the area of Language Arts. Our efforts on character education produced award lunches for hundreds of students and was sponsored by our parents and PTCO organization. We also benefited from tremendous support from our Breaker Buddies mentoring program and Clemson University's Middle Passage. Both programs utilized volunteers that dedicated their time weekly in our after-school programs. Our school conducted numerous fundraisers and donated to several community charities. Athletically, all of our teams had successful seasons and our football team had their second consecutive championship season. Numerous students received awards in the Fine Arts and exploratory areas. We are extremely grateful to our volunteers and PTCO parent organization for a very successful year. Working together we can continue to "Make Gettys Great!"

Michael Cory, Principal

Twon Austin, SIC Chairman

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