# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**MINNIE B KENNEDY MIDDLE**
**Aiken**
**Grades: 6-8** **Enrollment: 917**
**Principal: Kyle A. Smith**
**Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt**
**Board Chair: Ms. Rosemary B. English**

## PERFORMANCE

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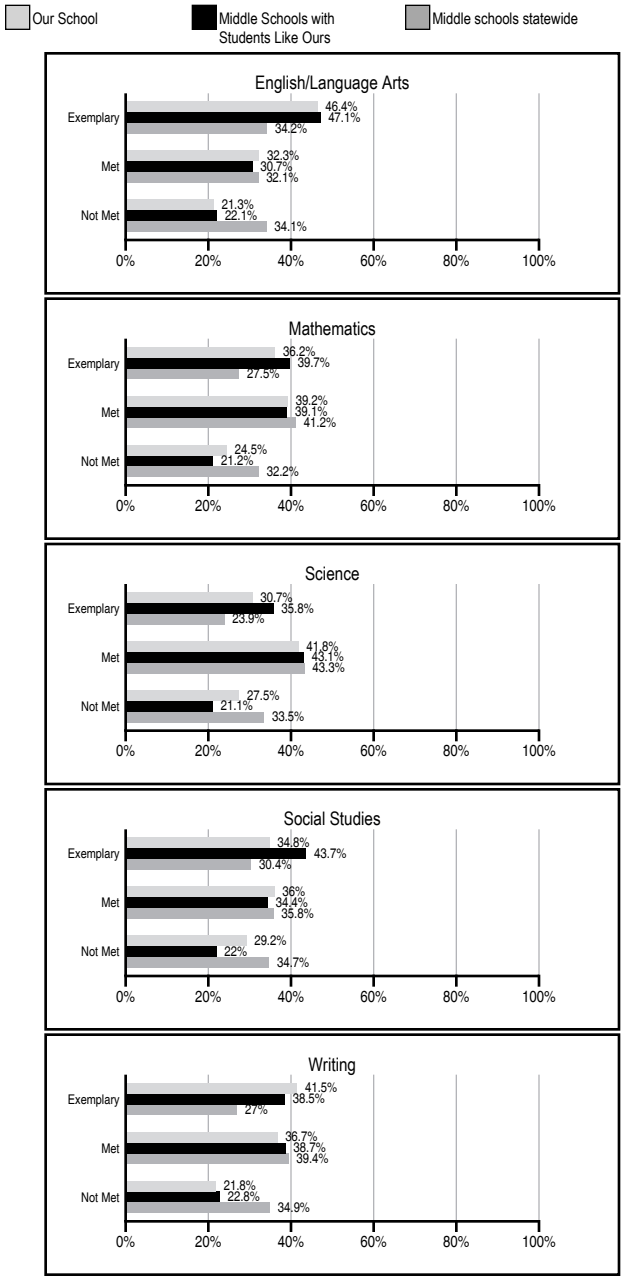
| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD | | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | General Performance | Closing the Gap | | |
| 2011 | Good | Average | TBD | TBD | Not Met | N/A |
| 2010 | Good | Good | Silver | Silver | Not Met | N/A |
| 2009 | Good | 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 14 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 0 |

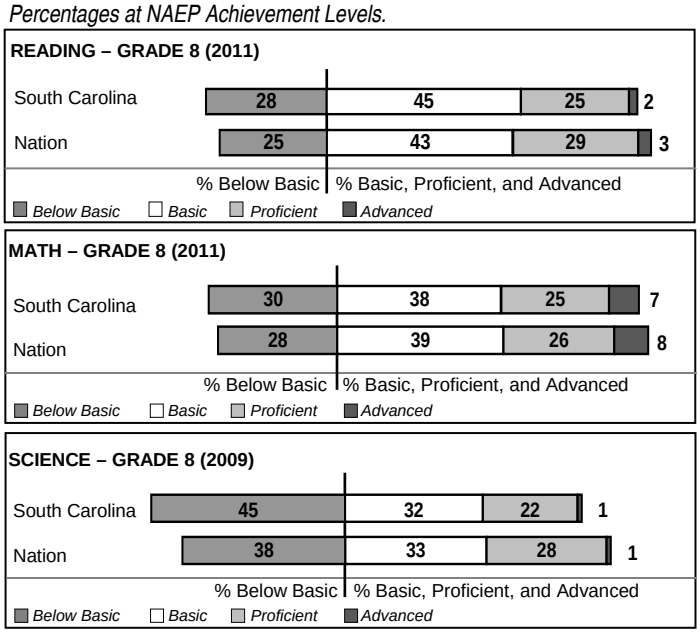
** Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.*

## PASS PERFORMANCE




## NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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




## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

| % of students scoring 70 or above on: | Our Middle School | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours |
|---|---|---|
| Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2 | 100.0 | 98.5 |
| English 1 | 100.0 | 98.3 |
| Biology 1/Applied Biology 2 | N/A | 92.7 |
| Physical Science | N/A | 70.3 |
| US History and the Constitution | N/A | N/A |
| All Subjects | 100.0 | 98.0 |

### SC PERFORMANCE 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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# MINNIE B KENNEDY MIDDLE [Aiken]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

| | Our School | Change from Last Year | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours | Median Middle School |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Students (n=917)** | | | | |
| Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8) | 46.2% | Down from 50.8% | 35.8% | 24.5% |
| Retention rate | 1.2% | Up from 0.6% | 0.3% | 0.7% |
| Attendance rate | 96.1% | Up from 96.0% | 96.5% | 95.9% |
| Served by gifted and talented program | 29.7% | Up from 28.6% | 26.7% | 17.8% |
| With disabilities other than speech | 4.8% | Down from 7.1% | 7.7% | 9.2% |
| Older than usual for grade | 1.3% | Down from 2.2% | 0.8% | 1.5% |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 0.0% | No Change | 0.4% | 0.4% |
| Annual dropout rate | 0.0% | No Change | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| **Teachers (n=47)** | | | | |
| Teachers with advanced degrees | 53.2% | Up from 52.2% | 62.1% | 60.0% |
| Continuing contract teachers | 89.4% | Up from 89.1% | 86.3% | 82.6% |
| Teachers returning from previous year | 90.8% | Up from 89.5% | 88.9% | 85.6% |
| Teacher attendance rate | 94.5% | Up from 94.0% | 94.6% | 95.3% |
| Average teacher salary* | $49,252 | Down 0.1% | $48,207 | $46,300 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers | 3.7% | Up from 2.4% | 1.2% | 1.2% |
| Professional development days/teacher | 6.2 days | Down from 6.8 days | 8.9 days | 9.9 days |
| **School** | | | | |
| Principal's years at school | 1.0 | Down from 3.0 | 4.5 | 4.0 |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects | 28.4 to 1 | Down from 29.8 to 1 | 24.2 to 1 | 21.5 to 1 |
| Prime instructional time | 89.8% | Up from 89.2% | 90.7% | 90.1% |
| Opportunities in the arts | Good | No Change | Good | Good |
| SACS accreditation | Yes | No Change | Yes | Yes |
| Parents attending conferences | 100.0% | Up from 86.8% | 98.4% | 98.1% |
| Character development program | Excellent | Up from Average | Excellent | Good |
| Dollars spent per pupil** | $5,243 | Down 6.3% | $6,647 | $7,634 |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction** | 72.9% | Up from 70.5% | 66.0% | 64.0% |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries** | 70.6% | Up from 67.3% | 64.1% | 61.2% |
| % of AYP objectives met | 86.2% | Down from 92.6% | 86.0% | 80.5% |

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

| | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Number of surveys returned | 46 | 252 | 152 |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment | 91.1% | 73.5% | 76.0% |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 93.5% | 75.8% | 77.0% |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations | 95.7% | 85.4% | 75.2% |

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

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## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

M.B. Kennedy Middle School is middle school with approximately 920 students in grades 6-8 in Aiken, SC. Our school is traditionally noted as one of the premiere schools in South Carolina and this year was no exception. Our students once again performed at high levels in both academic and extra-curricular affairs throughout the year. Academically, our students scored above average gains in MAP testing and our PASS testing results also indicated strong results again.

M.B. Kennedy Middle School continued its strong reputation as a school of reading. Our student body accumulated over 100,000 Accelerated Reader points which represented over 10 million words and over 13,000 books being read.

M.B. Kennedy Middle School's mission statement stresses the education of each student and the preparation for high school. Our vision is to provide an outstanding environment where students can become productive members of our global society. This vision requires Kennedy Middle School to constantly strive to provide our students with additional support. We created enrichment classes for all of our students to provide additional academic support in our core curriculum classes. We also hired math and ELA tutors to provide support for our students who needed additional assistance.

In other areas of success:
-36 students were recognized as South Carolina Junior Scholars
-50 students qualified to as DUKE TIP recipients
-141 students received the Presidential academic award
-29 students selected to participate in the all-county band
-5 students were Aiken County Language Arts Festival award winners
-5 students DAR essay contest award winners
-100% of our 8th graders passed the Algebra 1 and English 1 End of Course exams
-126 new students were inducted into our BETA Club

As we conclude another successful year, our vision for continued success and improvement remains.

Kyle A. Smith, Principal
Ryan Tripp, School Improvement Council Chair

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