

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Goose Creek Primary School
Berkeley County School District
Grades: PK-2 **Enrollment: 977**
Principal: Kathy Sullivan
Superintendent: Dr. Rodney Thompson
Board Chair: Doug Cooper

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	N/AV	N/A
2011	Excellent	Good	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2010	Excellent	Excellent	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
12	0	0	0	0

** Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/13/2012. Schools with Students Like Ours are Primary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.*

PRIME INSTRUCTIONAL TIME

Our School	Median Primary School
90.5%	89.5%

STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO IN CORE SUBJECTS

Our School	Median Primary School
20.8 to 1	21.1 to 1

TEACHERS WITH ADVANCED DEGREES

Our School	Median Primary School
61.3%	62.5%

TEACHERS RETURNING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

Our School	Median Primary School
84.6%	91.0%

PERCENT OF PARENTS ATTENDING CONFERENCES

Our School	Median Primary School
100.0%	100.0%

DAYS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT*

Our School	Median Primary School
10.6 days	12.7 days

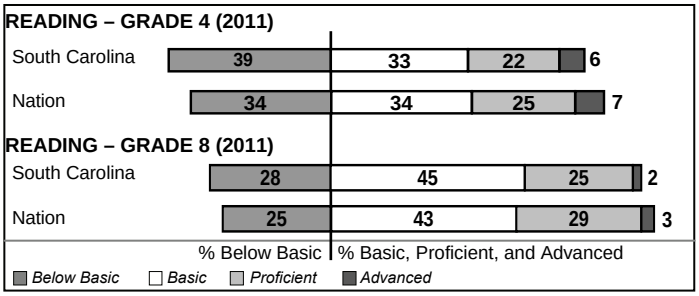
**Professional development days should be devoted exclusively to knowledge and skills in working with children less than eight years old.*

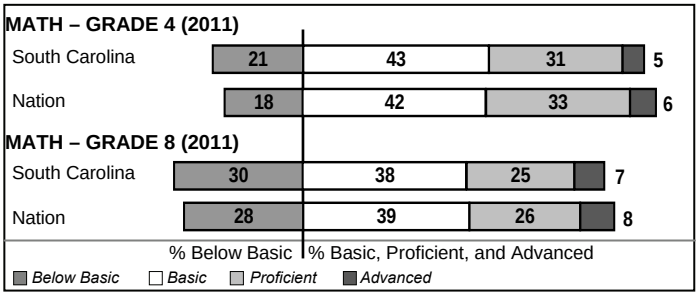
Types Of Accreditation (More Than One May Apply)

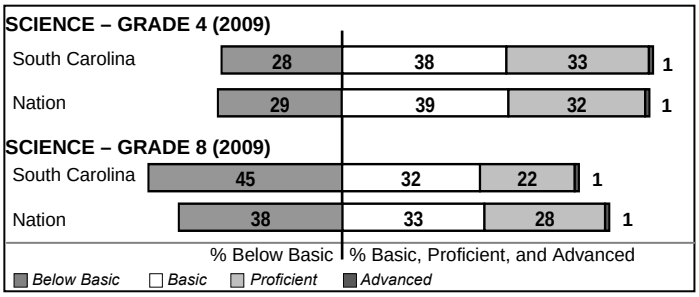
	Not pursuing accreditation
	Conducting a self-study
X	South Carolina Department of Education
X	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
	American Montessori Society
	National Association for the Education of Young Children

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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







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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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Primary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Primary School
Students (n=977)				
Retention rate	2.0%	Down from 3.8%	2.0%	2.5%
Attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 95.6%	95.8%	95.8%
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers (n=62)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.3%	Down from 65.5%	70.0%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	84.6%	Down from 87.5%	91.1%	91.0%
Teacher attendance rate	94.9%	Up from 94.8%	94.6%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	$46,155	Up 0.3%	$48,148	$47,047
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.3%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	11.3 days	Down from 18.5 days	16.1 days	13.2 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	7.0	6.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.8 to 1	Up from 17.8 to 1	21.9 to 1	21.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.5%	Up from 90.1%	88.5%	89.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	$6,901	Down 3.3%	$6,901	$6,841
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.0%	Down from 67.3%	70.2%	68.5%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.2%	Down from 63.0%	67.1%	65.2%
ESEA composite index score	N/AV	N/A	N/AV	N/AV

* Length of contract = 185+ days.
** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers
Number of surveys returned	34
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.2%

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

It was a great year of growth for everyone at Goose Creek Primary. Not only did we enroll more students than the previous year, but our students also demonstrated excellent growth on the MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) test and continued to grow as Common Core State Standards for Math were implemented school-wide. Our teachers grew as professionals as they sharpened their skills at developing and refining student assessments while working collaboratively in Professional Learning Teams. Support for our teachers also grew as we were able to add a math instructional coach. Through the use of additional part-time interventionists our students received small group assistance that strengthened their reading accuracy, fluency and comprehension.

For the fifth consecutive year Goose Creek Primary held the honor of being a Distinguished Arts Program (DAP) school. Participation in the DAP grant afforded our students a variety of opportunities to increase their exposure to the arts and provided additional training for our teachers. An Anti-bullying themed puppet show taught our first graders how to recognize and prevent bullying behavior. This experience reinforced our “Don’t be a Bully” campaign. An artist-in-residence taught students how to work and mold clay into decorative pots.

This year Goose Creek Primary was awarded the ASCA School Counseling Award for being a recognized American School Counseling Association Model Program. Goose Creek Primary is proud to be a Red Carpet School as well as SC Department of Education “Banner” school for PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports). The Fourth Annual Principal’s Pajama Party was held in the spring for over 460 students who were able to “buy” a ticket with their Otter Bucks. Teachers, parents and students participated in the first “Stuff the Bus” campaign to kick off the 2011-12 school year as part of our commitment to community engagement. Family Nights featured published authors, make-it and take-it workshops and presentations about our curriculum and standards. The first Goose Creek Primary Chorus was formed and we were so proud of our “Singing Otters” as they performed for the student body, parents and community.

Throughout the year we continued to strengthen our commitment to providing additional opportunities for inclusion for our students with special needs. In the spring our students enjoyed an array of activities during our Fourth Annual Young Athlete’s Day. Through a United Day of Caring project with Santee Cooper we were able to create an adaptive garden. Activities in the garden promoted social interaction, environmental awareness, and helped our students develop life-long skills of respect, cooperation and tolerance.

Our PTO and School Improvement Council were instrumental in developing our annual school renewal plan. We sincerely appreciate our volunteers and dedicated parents for helping us make GCP such a great place to learn.

Kathy Sullivan, Principal Jennifer Tobias, PTO and SIC chairs

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NI Newly Identified **CSI** Continuing School Improvement **CA** Corrective Action **RP** Plan to Restructure **R** Restructure **DELAY** School Improvement Status **HOLD** School Improvement Status