

Starr Elementary

400 Professor Brown Lane
Starr, SC 29684

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	443 Students	
Principal	Melissa Davis	864-352-6154
Superintendent	Dr. Mason Gary	864-348-6196
Board Chair	Hugh Smith	864-348-6196

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Excellent	Average
2013	Good	Good
2012	Good	Good
2011	Good	Good
2010	Average	Average

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent - School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good - School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average - School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average - School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk - School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA 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.

<http://ed.sc.gov>
<http://www.eoc.sc.gov>

Percent of Student SC PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating

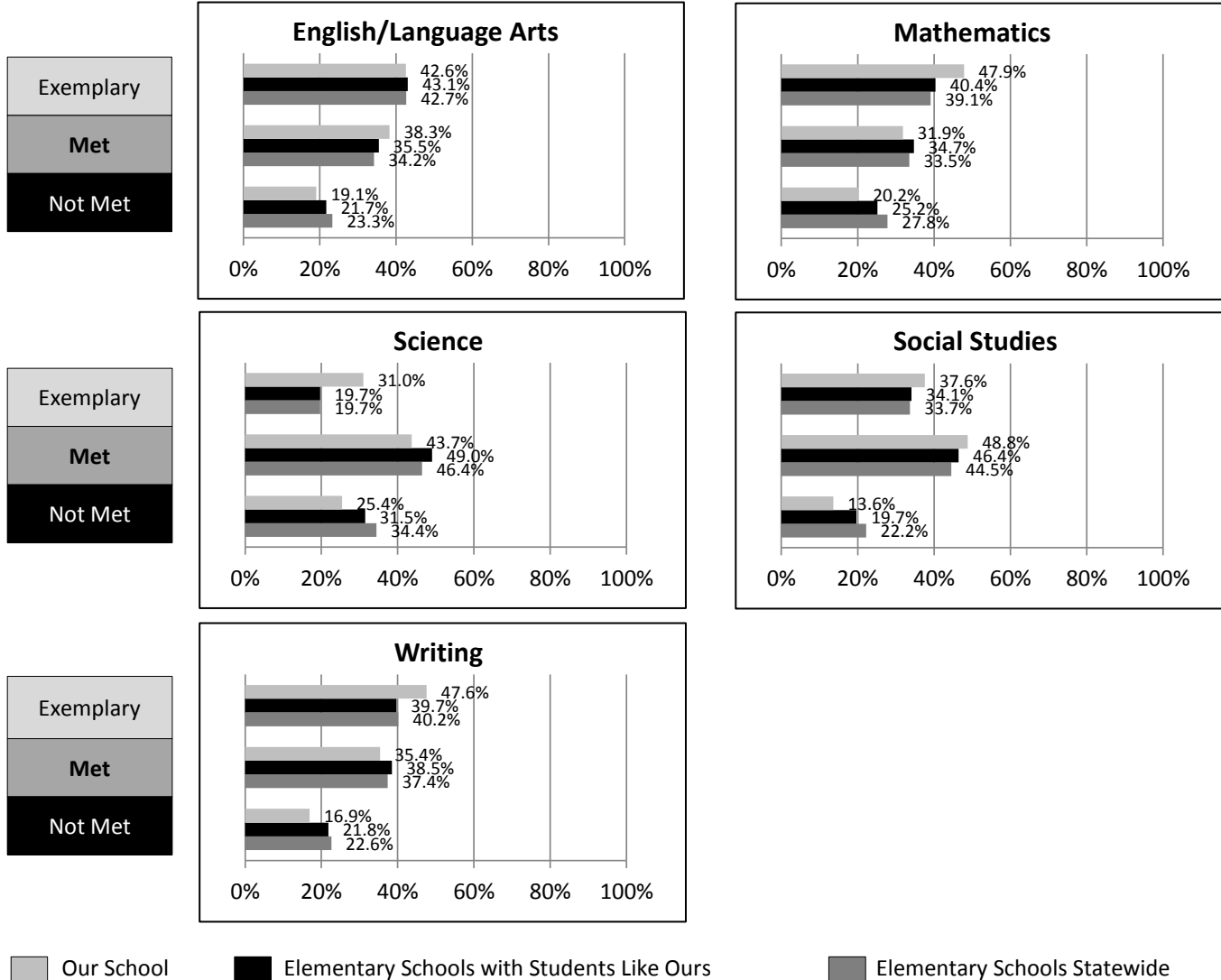
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 93.3%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
27	53	42	2	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015.

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC PASS)



* Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours are elementary schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

Definition of Critical Terms

Exemplary	"Exemplary" means student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" means that the student did not meet the grade level standard.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n = 443)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	2.9%	Down from 4.7%	1.1%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.9%	Up from 95.9%	96.4%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	5.8%	Up from 5.0%	7.6%	7.3%
With disabilities	12.1%	Down from 13.6%	13.4%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	3.6%	Down from 3.7%	2.1%	1.8%
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	50.0%	Down from 51.9%	60.7%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	89.3%	Up from 88.9%	83.3%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.2%	Up from 88.5%	89.1%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.4%	Up from 94.1%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,037	Up 0.3%	\$48,237	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	11.8 days	Up from 2.1 days	10.4 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.0 to 1	Up from 20.1 to 1	19.8 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.0%	Up from 88.9%	90.4%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Good	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,042	Up 0.5%	\$7,448	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.4%	Down from 61.0%	67.5%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.2%	Up from 59.0%	66.5%	66.0%

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

The faculty and staff at Starr Elementary are dedicated to helping all students meet and exceed their individual abilities and help them develop to their fullest potential. Starr Elementary served 447 students in kindergarten through fifth grade during the 2013-2014 school year. All grade levels at Starr Elementary hold students accountable for mastering the state standards and striving for excellence as they are emerged with character building traits to help them in all facets of life. Starr Elementary hosted a district Jet Toy competition. The first and second place teams competed in the regional competition hosted in Clemson, S.C. Our group of three fifth graders were runner-ups in the regional competition. They qualified to fly to Detroit, Michigan to compete in the International Competition. Although we did not finish in the top three, we did come home with sportsmanship medals. For the third year in a row, Starr received a Palmetto Silver Incentive Award from the South Carolina Department of Education. The curriculum at Starr is driven by data. Academically, Starr has enriched each classroom with a literacy base environment. Starr continues to use MAP testing to help our staff better identify the strengths and weaknesses of the curriculum and their students. Benchmark assessments are given to find each child’s reading level. The data driven instruction allows teachers to better meet the needs of each individual student. Many improvements have been made at Starr Elementary through the active involvement and teamwork of our faculty and staff, PTO members, parents and community members. Starr is very fortunate to have a very active and supportive PTO that helps foster the relationship between the school, home and community. With the involvement of the PTO, faculty, staff, and community, Starr Elementary hosted a Spring Fling, sponsored school dances, teacher appreciation luncheon, organized 5th grade end of year fun day, Santa’s Workshop, supported our Box Top Drive, had a team participate in the Relay for Life campaign and assisted with Field Days. Many parents have volunteered numerous hours giving of their time, energy, and support to help Starr shine bright in all areas. Throughout the year, Starr conducted several award ceremonies to reward students with good grades, accelerated reader points, and terrific kids. At the end of the year Starr honored our kindergarten and 5th grade students with a graduation ceremony. Students 1st through 5th were honored during an Award’s Ceremony for their achievements throughout the school year. Our first grade teacher, Ashlea Hatcher, was selected by the faculty as our Teacher of the Year. Starr Elementary strives to personally touch the lives of each student. Together with our parents and community, we are dedicated to providing our students with exciting and motivating learning experiences that will make a positive impact on each child preparing them with the necessary skills to compete in the 21st Century.☐

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Melissa Davis, Principal

Sharon Mosteller, SIC Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	30	47	28
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	82.9%	92.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	89.1%	96.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	93.5%	86.9%	71.4%

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

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ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System

In July 2013, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/esea/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

Overall Weighted Points Total	92.4
Overall Grade Conversion	A

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the states' expectations.

Accountability Indicator (Title I Schools)

Starr Elementary has been designated as a:

X	Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
	Title I Reward School for Progress - one of the schools with substantial progress in school subgroups.
	Title I Focus School - one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
	Title I Priority School - one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
	Title I School - does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
	Non-Title I School - therefore the designations above are not applicable.

Teacher Quality and Student Attendance

	Our District	State	
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	96.9%	94.0%*	Yes
			State
Professional qualifications of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State (Advanced Degrees)			61.9%
Percentage of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State with emergency or provisional credentials			0.0%

* Or greater than last year

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SC PASS Performance By Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean*	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested
Grades 3-5							
All Students	641.1	651.7	639.6	651.3	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	637.3	656.8	639.9	661.6	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	645.1	646.2	639.1	639.9	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	642.6	656.8	646.8	650.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	599.3	600.2	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	633.6	641.4	628.7	647.1	100.0	100.0	100.0
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0

* Social Studies used as "Other Academic Indicator" for elementary and middle schools.

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Two Year Elementary and Middle School Grades Trend Data

2013	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	63	638.1	100.0	63	629.7	100.0
4	53	641.4	100.0	53	664.9	100.0	
5	65	643.1	100.0	65	646.2	100.0	
6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	32	622.6	100.0	31	644.2	100.0	
4	53	638.7	100.0	53	656.9	100.0	
5	32	642.1	100.0	33	634.4	100.0	
6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	

2014	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	75	640.5	100.0	75	642.7	100.0
4	66	643.1	100.0	66	667.0	100.0	
5	57	639.4	100.0	57	645.7	100.0	
6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	38	612.6	100.0	37	630.6	100.0	
4	66	635.2	100.0	66	657.8	100.0	
5	28	686.7	100.0	29	662.6	100.0	
6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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NOTE: Results include the SC-ALT test.

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (District) 4/27/2015 0403026

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	639.5	645.0	633.2	643.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Male	637.6	647.9	638.5	649.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Female	641.4	642.1	628.1	638.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
White	641.6	648.2	638.6	646.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
African American	621.7	620.5	595.6	630.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	600.2	605.8	597.3	611.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	632.3	636.1	624.8	636.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	641.6	652.0	655.1	665.2	99.8	99.5	99.5	N/A
Male	636.5	651.2	653.9	667.3	99.7	99.1	99.5	N/A
Female	647.6	653.0	656.4	662.5	100.0	100.0	99.5	N/A
White	644.0	654.4	658.4	666.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
African American	625.0	634.7	635.9	653.9	100.0	98.5	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	601.8	603.9	604.0	611.2	100.0	97.6	98.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	632.7	643.6	644.5	656.0	99.8	99.3	99.2	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	227.1	219.0	83.6	75.7	98.9	98.9	100.0	86.3
Male	225.9	219.5	84.9	77.5	97.8	97.8	100.0	87.7
Female	228.2	218.4	81.9	74.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	85.2
White	228.6	221.4	83.7	76.0	98.7	98.7	100.0	85.8
African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	88.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	55.6
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	222.8	213.3	80.4	73.5	98.3	98.3	100.0	79.3
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	643.8	644.3	626.4	645.0	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Male	638.9	643.9	627.0	646.5	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	649.0	644.6	625.8	643.4	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	659.5	662.7	644.4	659.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	622.3	617.3	601.2	624.1	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	669.9	686.6	655.9	673.4	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Hispanic	631.7	634.6	614.5	636.5	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	642.1	640.4	627.1	641.8	99.7	99.9	99.5	N/A
With Disabilities	599.3	596.5	587.6	609.2	98.9	99.5	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	631.2	638.6	615.0	638.1	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.7	625.2	609.4	628.7	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Migrant	608.2	615.1	590.4	623.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	627.8	632.2	634.7	637.4	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
Male	620.6	630.1	634.4	639.8	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Female	635.4	634.3	635.0	634.9	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
White	644.3	647.7	652.3	652.3	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
African American	604.3	608.5	608.9	615.2	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	658.5	680.2	673.0	677.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
Hispanic	617.3	625.4	625.0	630.5	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	629.4	631.2	637.2	638.3	99.9	99.8	99.7	N/A
With Disabilities	574.5	584.3	584.9	592.8	99.4	99.4	99.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	612.5	625.8	622.5	629.8	99.6	99.7	99.8	N/A
Subsidized Meals	610.0	614.6	616.3	619.9	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Migrant	586.4	606.8	600.8	607.7	98.2	98.2	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	229.3	222.6	81.8	74.9	98.7	98.7	100.0	80.0
Male	225.6	222.4	81.8	75.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	75.7
Female	233.2	222.9	81.9	74.0	99.2	99.1	100.0	84.5
White	235.9	230.8	86.1	78.1	99.0	98.9	100.0	82.8
African American	219.6	209.6	75.2	69.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	76.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	240.2	245.8	89.4	80.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	88.0
Hispanic	225.1	219.4	79.5	73.5	98.9	99.0	100.0	76.9
American Indian/Alaskan	228.8	220.3	81.9	77.2	98.9	99.3	100.0	74.3
With Disabilities	204.3	196.5	68.4	66.2	96.6	96.5	100.0	43.2
Limited English Proficient	218.0	214.7	76.6	71.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	73.4
Subsidized Meals	221.1	212.6	76.8	70.8	98.3	98.2	100.0	72.5
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	61.5
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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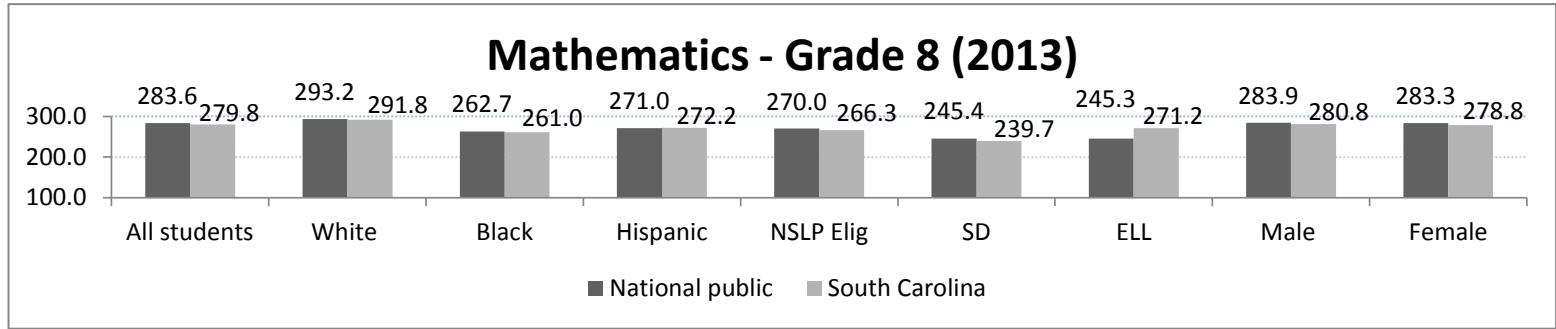
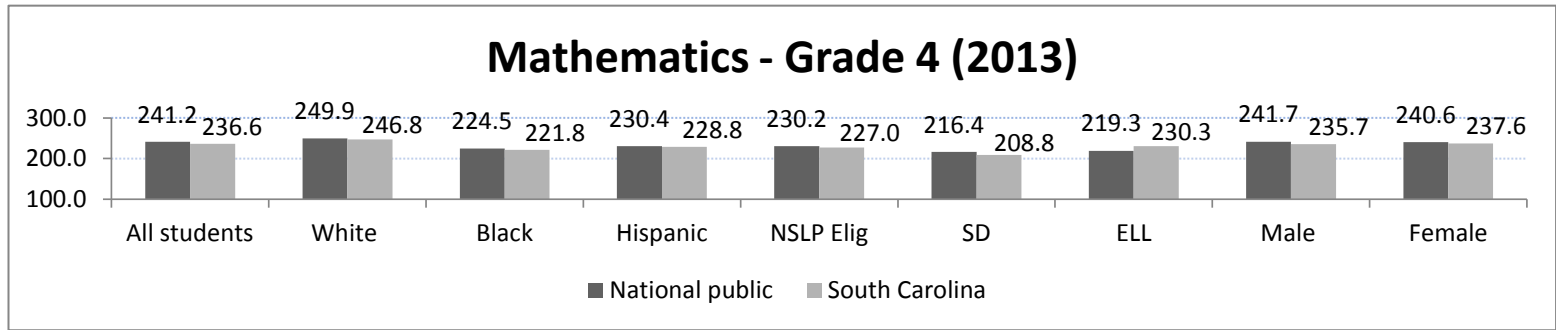
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*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.



Key	
NSLP	National school lunch program
SD	Student with disabilities
ELL	English language learner
NAEP	National Association of Education Progress

	SD Participation Rate	ELL Participation Rate
Reading, Grade 4	89.0%	96.0%
Reading, Grade 8	85.0%	96.0%
Mathematics, Grade 4	93.0%	99.0%
Mathematics, Grade 8	90.0%	95.0%

	Our School
Number of recently arrived ELL students exempted from ELA in state assessments	0

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