

Mt. Pisgah Elementary School

5160 Mount Pisgah Road
Kershaw, SC 29067

Grades	K-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	123 Students	
Principal	David Branham Jr.	803-475-6791
Superintendent	Frank E. Morgan, Ed.D.	803-432-8416
Board Chair	Mara H. Jones	803-432-6902

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

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

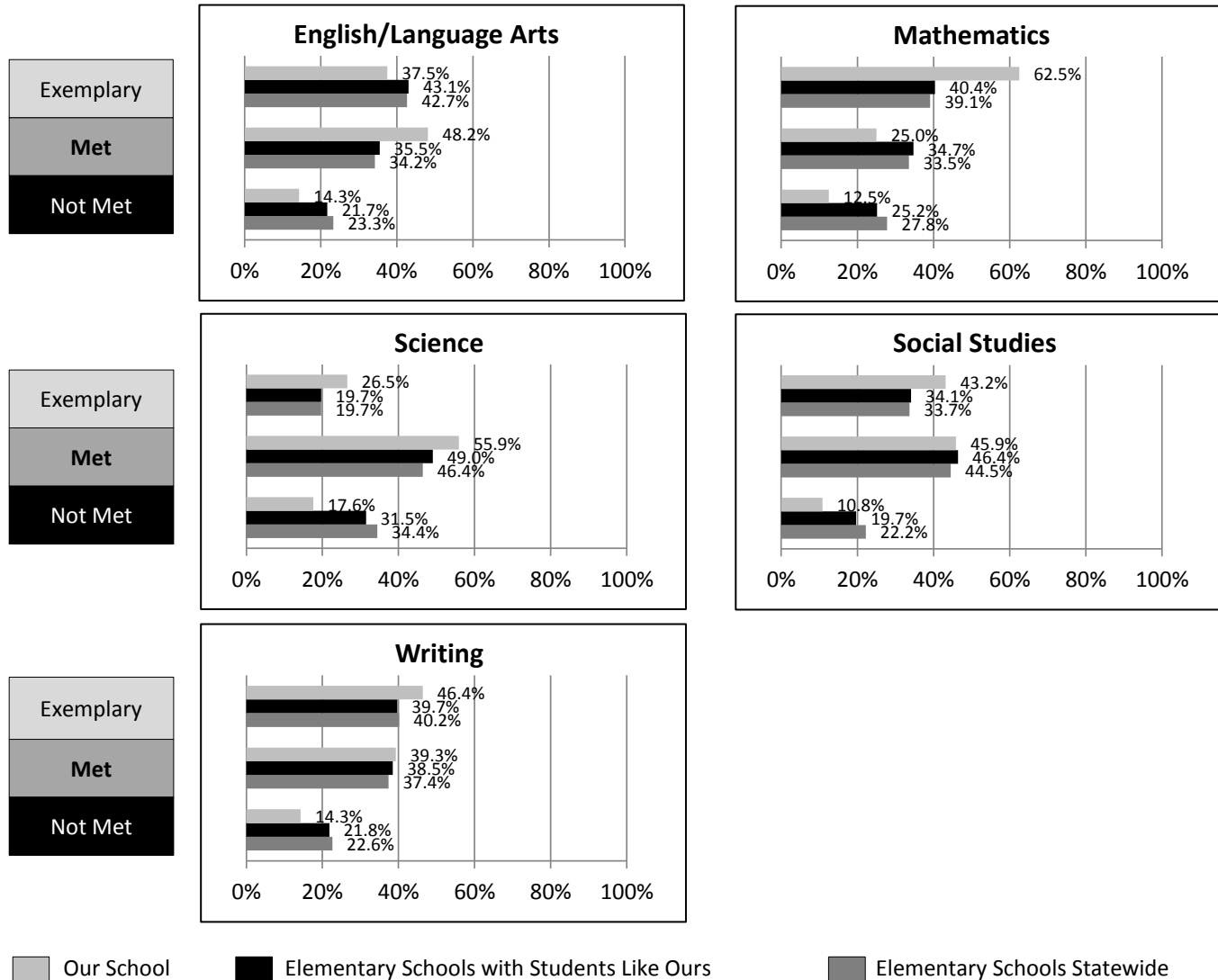
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located

97.4%

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 = 123)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	1.6%	Down from 1.7%	1.1%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.0%	Up from 95.4%	96.4%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	8.1%	Up from 5.0%	7.6%	7.3%
With disabilities	6.5%	Down from 10.7%	13.4%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	3.3%	Down from 4.1%	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 = 7)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	85.7%	No change	60.7%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	85.7%	No change	83.3%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.3%	Up from 77.7%	89.1%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	97.4%	Up from 96.0%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$52,882	Down 2.8%	\$48,237	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	7.9 days	Up from 6.1 days	10.4 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.8 to 1	Up from 20.0 to 1	19.8 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.7%	Up from 90.5%	90.4%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	93.5%	Down from 98.5%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Average	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,796	Up 3.1%	\$7,448	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.3%	Up from 65.0%	67.5%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	64.8%	Up from 64.0%	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

At Mt. Pisgah Elementary, we “Expect the Best and Accept Nothing Less” from our students and staff. The mission of Mt. Pisgah Elementary School, with its strong family and community support, is to meet the needs of each individual student by providing a positive, challenging, and safe environment that facilitates success, promotes lifelong learning, and develops responsible citizens. All of our stakeholders at Mt. Pisgah Elementary are focused on this mission.

Our 2013-2014 year had many successes for our school. In 2013 Mt. Pisgah Elementary received an “B” on the Federal Accountability Report. This means that Mt. Pisgah’s academic performance exceeded the state’s expectations. Mt. Pisgah was named a Title I Reward School of Performance in 2013. We received an Absolute Rating of Average on our SC Report Card.

The 100 Book Challenge was successfully implemented in Kindergarten and 1st grade. Students in these grades logged over 3,200 hours of reading at home. Our school library circulated over 20,000 books this school year. We continue to use SuccessMaker and Math IXL software in the computer lab to provide students with the opportunity to focus on academic areas that need improvement. Learning A to Z is used to provide small group reading focus time to our struggling readers at each grade level. The Brag Tag program was implemented this year to recognize student achievements. All of our students participated in the Kershaw County 4H program this year.

The professional development for our staff focused on literacy across all grade levels. The Literacy Matters program allowed teachers to receive professional coaching in the areas of reading and writing. Teachers focused on using data from STAR and MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) to individualize instruction. Technology is integrated into the classroom through the use of laptops, iPads, interactive whiteboards and document cameras. Our computer lab was fully refurbished with new desktops and headphones.

Our PTO, SIC, and community are a vital part of the success of our school. Several events such as our Ram Jam and Christmas Program were successful due to the hard work of PTO and parent volunteers. Our community volunteers were integral in helping with our Brag Tag celebrations this year. Mt. Pisgah students participated in several community service projects such as raising money for the Kershaw County American Red Cross, American Heart Association and Relay for Life.

As we head into the 2014-15 school year, we plan to remain focused on literacy and individualized student instruction. We will continue to create a safe and nurturing environment for all of our students. The faculty and staff at Mt. Pisgah are dedicated to preparing our students for academic and personal success.

David Branham Jr., Principal

Jana Vincent, School Improvement Council Chair

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	7	23	14
Percent satisfied with learning environment	-4.0%	91.3%	92.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	-4.0%	95.6%	92.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	-4.0%	100.0%	85.7%

* 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	98.7
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)

Mt. Pisgah Elementary School has been designated as a:

X	Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
X	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	2.6	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	96.0%	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	641.5	656.5	642.9	649.6	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
White	641.4	658.8	N/A	645.8	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	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	636.8	656.1	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
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

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Two Year Elementary and Middle School Grades Trend Data

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
2013	3	17	656.9	88.2	17	654.5	100.0
	4	23	636.2	95.7	23	627.4	100.0
	5	20	647.9	95.0	20	641.5	95.0
	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	8	I/S	I/S	9	I/S	I/S
	4	23	615.8	100.0	23	633.5	100.0
	5	9	I/S	I/S	11	625.4	90.9
	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

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
2014	3	19	637.8	100.0	19	631.9	100.0
	4	18	646.7	100.0	18	658.0	100.0
	5	23	641.0	100.0	23	674.8	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	9	I/S	100.0	10	632.8	100.0
	4	18	633.1	100.0	18	669.8	100.0
	5	11	666.2	100.0	12	638.3	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	2801020
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Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	645.4	642.3	623.9	638.0	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Male	641.5	643.1	625.7	641.6	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
Female	649.5	641.6	622.0	634.2	100.0	100.0	99.7	N/A
White	655.2	654.1	636.0	646.7	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
African American	625.1	617.4	599.9	619.5	100.0	100.0	99.8	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	637.0	633.9	608.1	627.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	609.8	603.5	592.0	612.2	99.1	99.7	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	640.8	637.5	613.7	627.9	100.0	100.0	98.5	N/A
Subsidized Meals	633.0	627.5	611.2	625.1	99.9	100.0	99.8	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	633.3	633.4	641.0	639.0	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Male	626.7	631.2	640.8	641.7	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
Female	640.7	635.9	641.1	636.0	99.9	100.0	99.7	N/A
White	643.7	643.3	653.0	647.6	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	611.0	611.7	615.0	618.8	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	626.0	625.3	627.9	642.0	99.2	100.0	98.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	576.1	589.9	593.6	595.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	621.3	622.7	625.8	634.6	98.9	100.0	98.3	N/A
Subsidized Meals	616.9	618.1	625.2	624.6	99.9	100.0	99.8	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	229.8	221.0	81.6	75.5	99.8	99.6	100.0	82.4
Male	227.0	221.7	81.6	76.4	100.0	99.8	100.0	78.7
Female	232.8	220.4	81.5	74.6	99.5	99.5	100.0	86.9
White	234.6	226.7	84.1	77.0	99.6	99.4	100.0	86.1
African American	219.5	208.4	75.5	72.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	76.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	224.5	218.9	82.4	71.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	54.2
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	207.8	201.0	70.7	68.5	100.0	98.6	100.0	44.0
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	222.6	212.8	77.1	71.9	99.8	99.5	100.0	71.5
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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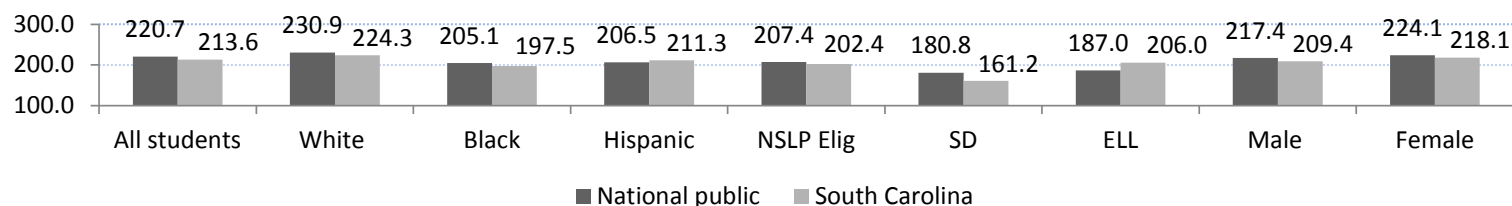
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Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	643.8	644.3	626.4	645.0	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Male	638.9	643.9	627.0	646.5	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	649.0	644.6	625.8	643.4	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	659.5	662.7	644.4	659.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	622.3	617.3	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

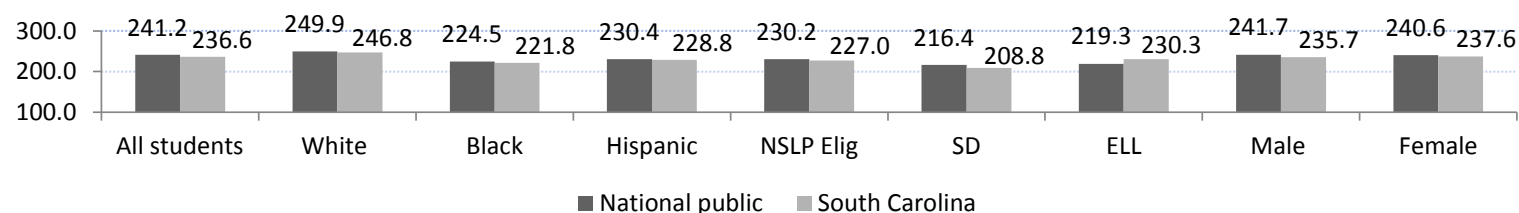
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*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.

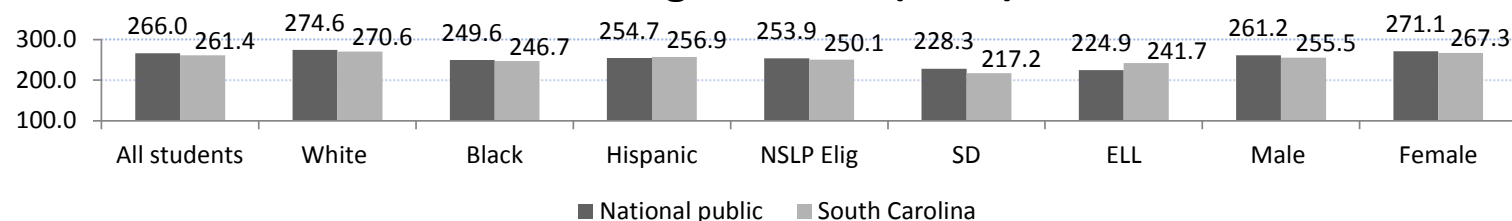
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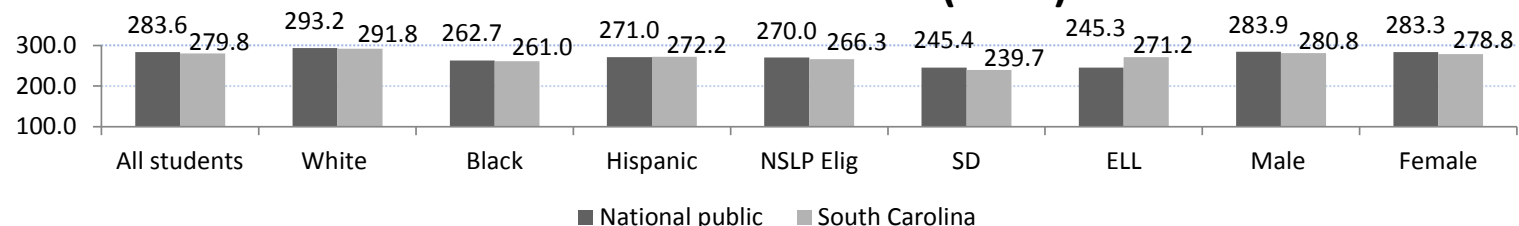
Mathematics - Grade 4 (2013)



Reading - Grade 8 (2013)



Mathematics - Grade 8 (2013)



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

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