



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pine Tree Hill Elementary School
KERSHAW COUNTY
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 529
Principal: Melissa R. Royalty
Superintendent: Frank E. Morgan, Ed.D.
Board Chair: Mara H. Jones

PERFORMANCE

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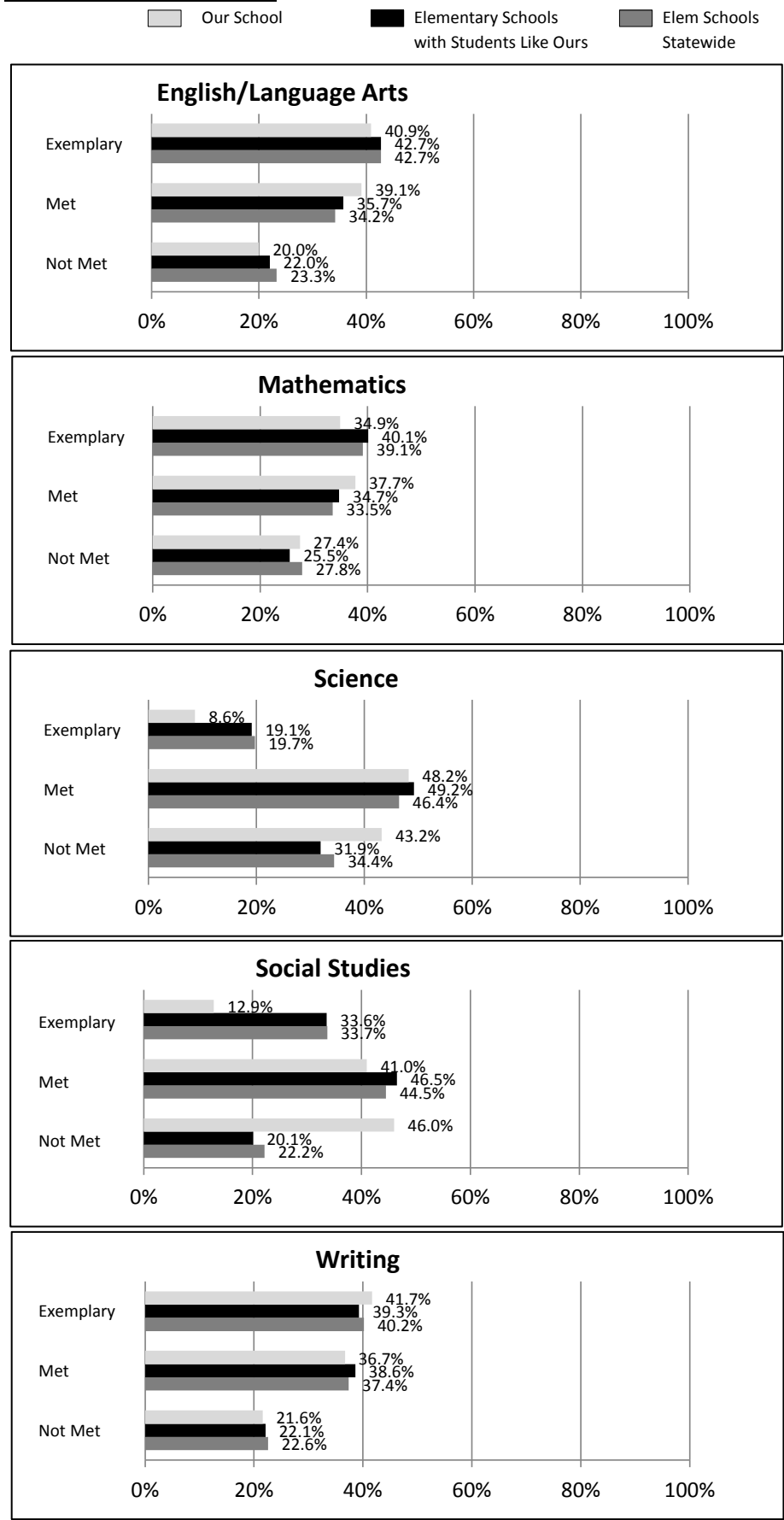
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Average	At-Risk	TBD	TBD	B	Focus
2013	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	C	Focus
2012	Good	Good	SILVER	SILVER	B	Focus

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
29	48	47	2	1

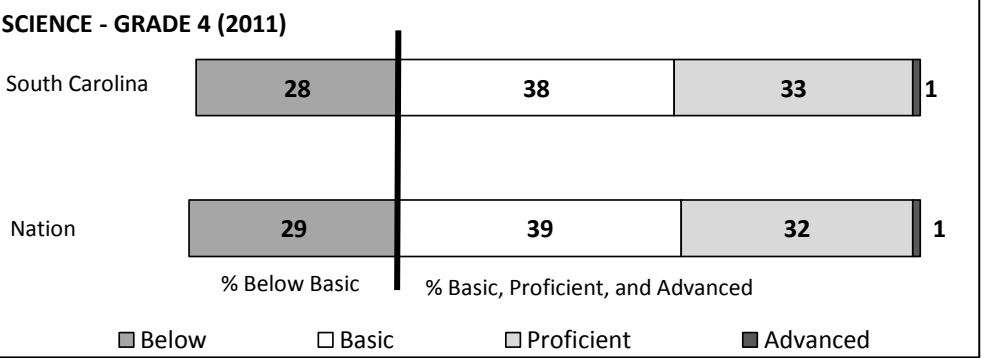
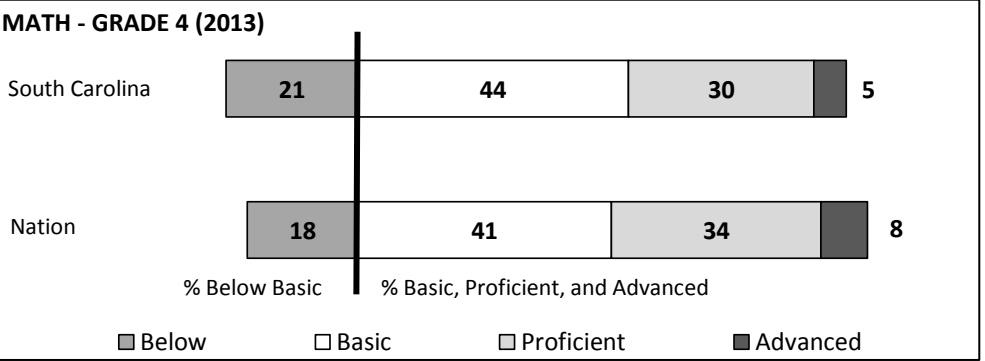
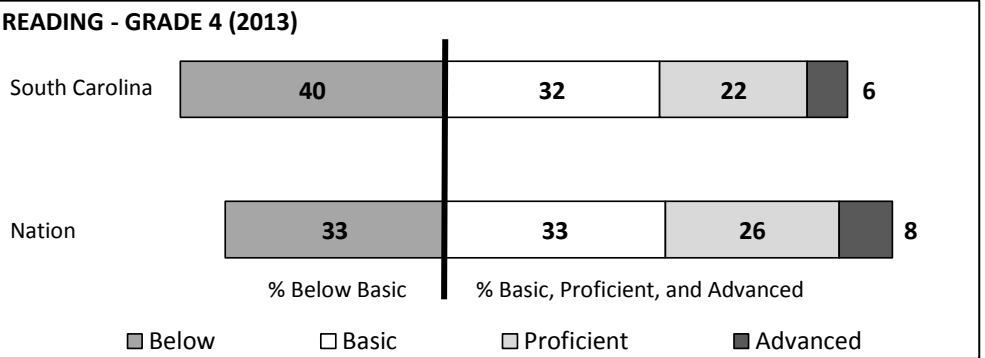
* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

SC PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP*

*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.

Abbreviations Key

N/A-Not Applicable N/AV-Not Available N/C-Not Collected N/R-Not Reported I/S-Insufficient Sample TBD-To Be Determined

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KERSHAW COUNTY
SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary Schools
Students (n = 529)				
Retention rate	1.4%	Down from 3.6%	1.1%	1.0%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 95.9%	96.4%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	9.0%	Down from 9.2%	7.3%	7.3%
With disabilities	15.5%	Down from 17.1%	13.7%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	2.6%	Down from 3.4%	2.1%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 35)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	68.6%	Down from 70.6%	61.0%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	91.4%	Up from 91.2%	83.3%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.2%	Up from 89.3%	89.0%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.3%	Up from 93.6%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$53,000	Up 1.3%	\$48,595	\$47,902
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	2.2 days	Down from 9.0 days	10.4 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 5.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.2 to 1	Down from 19.7 to 1	20.1 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.8%	Up from 88.8%	90.2%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.2%	Up from 97.9%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,569	Up 4.6%	\$7,546	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	71.4%	Down from 73.0%	66.8%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	70.8%	Down from 71.0%	65.8%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	80.8	Up from 75.2	87.1	85.7

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

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	28	65	49
Percent satisfied with learning environment	89.3%	95.4%	83.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	96.5%	92.3%	86.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	93.1%	89.3%	63.9%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Pine Tree Hill Bullpups had many successes during the 2013-2014 school year. To achieve this, we focused on using data to drive our instruction, as well as utilizing best teaching practices. To assist us in developing our best teaching practices, the Pine Tree Hill faculty and staff embarked on a rigorous staff development plan to meet individual students’ academic and social needs. We successfully implemented one to one computing for students in second to fifth grades to enhance the learning experience.

We enjoyed numerous recognitions. Pine Tree Hill won the Clinic Classic Challenge, sponsored by the Kershaw County Community Clinic, and was recognized by the United Way for Paws for Claus that assisted families during the holidays. We were also recognized by the local Veterans of Foreign Wars for our tributes to veterans at our Veterans’ Day Program and our Moving Timeline Parade in observance of Memorial Day. We were honored by the Kershaw County Animal Shelter and Food for the Soul for our 100 day celebration fundraisers. Chase Bryson, 5th grader, was recognized nationally through Flocabulary’s weekly “Shout-out” for his art.

Staying true to our mission statement of partnering with the home and community to develop academically competent, responsible lifelong learners, Pine Tree Hill built several business partners relationships within the community. The Camden community partnered with us to host successful events such as the fall and spring carnivals, 100 Day Celebration and Wax Museum for Black History Month. Our fabulous Parent Teacher Organization raised over \$20,000 and built four large pavilions with picnic tables for our playgrounds.

Linda Horton was recognized as our teacher of the year and went on to be honored as the Kershaw County’s First Alternate Teacher of the Year. Konna Mulcahey was honored as Pine Tree Hill’s Reading Teacher of the Year.

Pine Tree Hill Elementary is a nurturing place for children to learn and grow. Our school challenges students to achieve excellence and to learn how to be kind and helpful to others. We believe in our students! We believe; therefore, we achieve!

With Bullpup Pride,

Melissa R. Royalty, Principal

Jay Johnson, SIC President