

St. George Middle

600 Minus Street
Saint George, SC 29477

Grades	6-8 Middle School	
Enrollment	272 Students	
Principal	Jeffery Scott Thompson	843-563-3171
Superintendent	Dr. Morris Ravenell	843-563-4535
Board Chair	Dr. Kenneth Jenkins	843-563-3228

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Average	Average
2013	Average	At-Risk
2012	Average	Average
2011	Below Average	Average
2010	Below 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

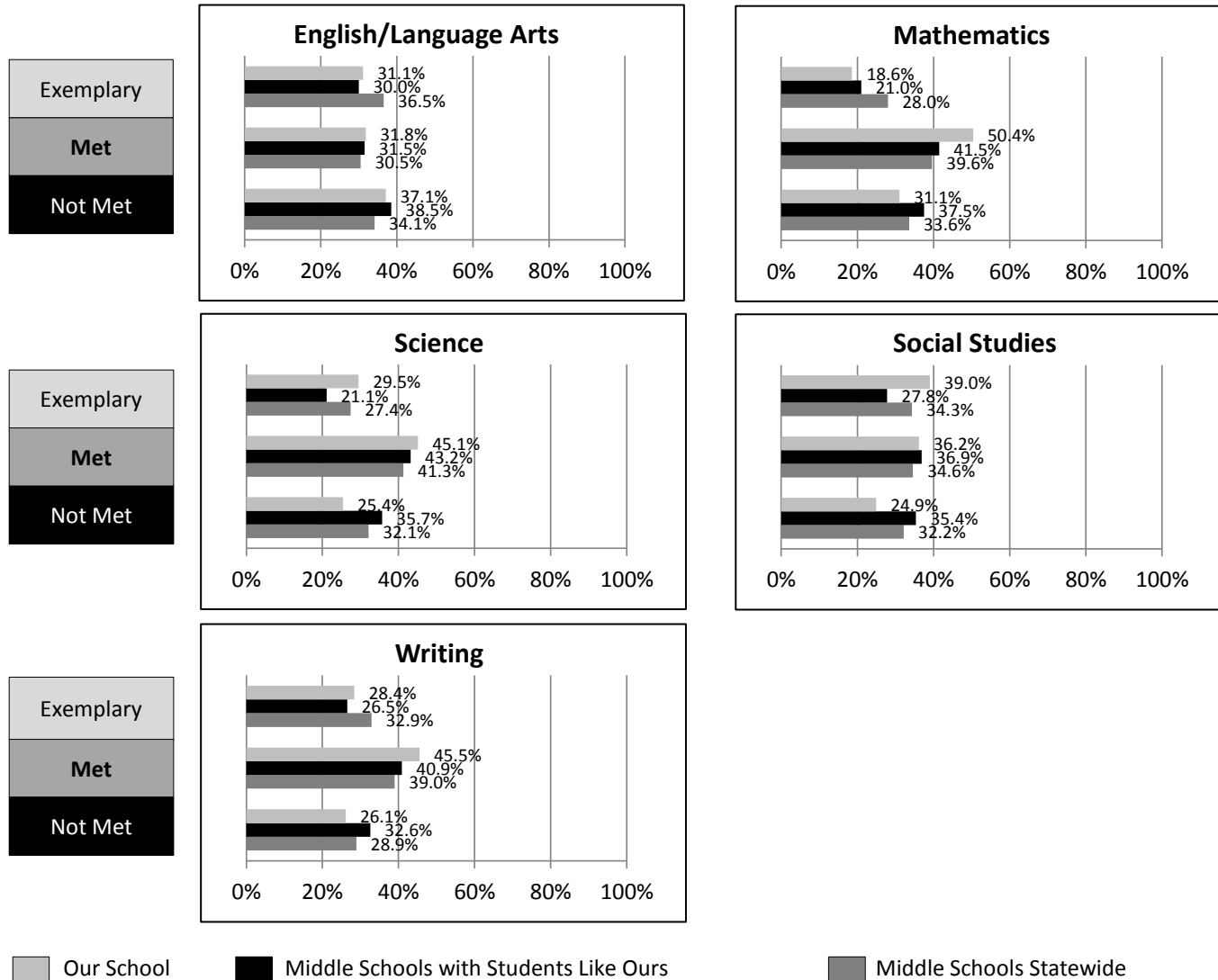
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 95.8%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
1	2	49	8	0

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

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC PASS)



* Middle Schools with Students Like Ours are middle 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	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n = 272)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	6.7%	Up from 6.5%	20.1%	26.0%
Retention Rate	0.0%	No change	1.0%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	96.5%	Up from 96.4%	96.1%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	14.1%	Down from 15.5%	14.8%	19.4%
With disabilities	15.6%	Up from 14.1%	14.2%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	4.0%	Down from 5.4%	5.9%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.9%	Up from 1.1%	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 26)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	38.5%	Up from 34.5%	60.0%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	50.0%	Up from 48.3%	75.2%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.8%	Up from 78.5%	83.9%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	96.2%	Up from 95.2%	95.0%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,639	Down 1.7%	\$46,742	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	2.1 days	Down from 7.5 days	11.8 days	10.6 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.0 to 1	Up from 19.5 to 1	20.5 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.7%	Up from 89.8%	90.0%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	54.3%	Down from 95.5%	99.0%	99.0%
Character development program	Average	No change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$12,058	Up 15.7%	\$7,517	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	52.0%	Down from 54.0%	61.5%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	51.8%	Down from 52.0%	60.3%	61.3%

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

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

End of Course Tests

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	N/A	96.8%
English 1	100.0%	94.6%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0%	96.7%

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Improving instruction and student learning continues to be the focus of Saint George Middle School. We are working for increased achievement through an instructional vision based on five concepts. Rigor, collaboration, student engagement, standards based instruction, and data driven decision making make up these concepts. Teachers and administrators have analyzed data and have identified specific areas on instructional need. Research based strategies and methods have been implemented to address these needs.

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We at Saint George Middle School have completed our second year as a South Carolina Solutions in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics(S²TEM) Education Research site. Being a S²TEM site has given us wonderful access to ongoing professional development for our Science and Math teachers. This professional development has been extremely helpful with our preparation for our transition to Common Core Standards.

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We are also entering our second year as being a Teacher Advancement Program (TAP) site. Our faculty and staff are very excited about the Teacher Advancement Program and what it will mean for our school. Our Leadership Team is anticipating another year of growth and progress in the TAP system. We are particularly excited about field testing implementation.

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Our Science teachers are proudly providing our students with the opportunity to enroll in Robotic/Automation and Design/Modeling as part of the Gateway To Technology (GTT) initiative. This implementation is being supported by a three year grant from the Boeing Company. Through the University of South Carolina College of Engineering and Computing, our Science teachers have received extensive training in the GTT areas. Next year we will be expanding our offerings to include Flight/Space Technology (2015-2016).

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Providing quality after-school activities is also a key to improving academics and student achievement. Saint George Middle School has been fortunate to be the recipient of a 21st Century Grant that funds our program. The main goal of the program is to provide a safe, nurturing environment for our students outside of traditional school hours. Our after-school activities are based on four components; academics, character education, extracurricular activities and parental involvement.

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Jeffery Scott Thompson, Principal

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Jenelle Howard, School Improvement Council Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	25	85	61
Percent satisfied with learning environment	96.0%	81.2%	85.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	77.4%	70.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	60.0%	83.4%	60.7%

* Only students at the highest middle 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	77.9
Overall Grade Conversion	C

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)

St. George Middle has been designated as a:

	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.
X	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	3.9	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	19.2%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	96.5%	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 6-8							
All Students	619.5	623.6	634.0	640.9	99.3	99.3	99.5
Male	603.9	613.9	627.7	640.0	99.3	99.3	98.8
Female	634.9	633.1	639.6	641.8	99.3	99.3	100.0
White	637.4	636.0	650.9	657.7	99.2	99.2	100.0
African American	603.3	611.6	617.0	626.4	99.3	99.3	98.9
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	566.6	581.9	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	615.4	620.2	628.0	633.6	99.1	99.1	99.3
Migrant	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

* 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	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
4	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
5	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
6	86	635.4	100.0	86	627.2	100.0	
7	104	618.2	99.0	104	610.5	99.0	
8	83	601.0	100.0	83	607.3	100.0	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV
4	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV
5	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV
6	43	632.9	97.7	43	663.3	100.0	
7	104	632.4	99.0	104	626.8	99.0	
8	41	611.4	97.6	42	603.8	95.2	

2014	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
6	81	619.0	100.0	81	621.8	100.0	
7	95	621.3	99.0	95	629.5	99.0	
8	102	618.4	99.0	102	619.9	99.0	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
6	39	615.4	100.0	41	663.8	97.6	
7	95	645.8	99.0	95	630.9	99.0	
8	51	627.6	100.0	51	640.0	98.1	

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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 1804017

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	635.4	640.4	632.7	650.5	99.4	99.4	98.8	N/A
Male	632.6	641.2	636.1	654.6	99.3	99.3	98.3	N/A
Female	638.7	639.5	628.3	646.1	99.6	99.6	99.3	N/A
White	654.8	661.2	652.1	670.9	99.1	99.1	100.0	N/A
African American	618.8	621.4	618.0	632.3	100.0	100.0	98.2	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	594.6	596.1	596.7	612.4	99.1	99.1	94.6	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	625.8	629.2	624.8	641.3	99.7	99.7	98.4	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	618.5	622.8	631.2	634.7	99.4	99.4	99.7	N/A
Male	610.2	618.9	630.2	638.8	99.2	99.2	99.3	N/A
Female	627.3	626.9	632.2	629.9	99.6	99.6	100.0	N/A
White	636.5	633.9	649.6	649.8	98.9	98.9	100.0	N/A
African American	605.1	613.1	614.9	623.4	99.6	99.6	99.4	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	570.7	581.7	586.3	603.2	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	613.6	618.8	626.3	628.8	99.2	99.2	99.6	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	225.8	216.4	77.5	72.0	98.7	98.7	100.0	83.1
Male	225.4	220.4	76.7	71.1	97.6	97.6	100.0	77.0
Female	226.2	212.2	78.2	72.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	88.8
White	231.8	223.8	81.0	77.3	97.1	97.1	100.0	80.0
African American	219.7	207.9	74.1	68.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	84.8
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	33.3
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	223.8	214.7	75.9	70.8	99.1	99.1	100.0	79.5
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

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

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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	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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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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