

**Pinecrest Elementary School**

220 Northside Drive  
Greenwood, SC 29649

**South Carolina  
State Report Card**

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This year, the report card has been updated to reflect changes in reporting directed by the SC Education Oversight Committee. Schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017 when the state will transition to a single accountability system. The following reports student performance in school year 2014-15.

**Grades:** K-5 Elementary**Enrollment:** 500 students**School Phone:** 864-941-5580**School Website:** <http://www.gwd50.org/Domain/1285>**Principal:** Susan H. Buchanan**Superintendent:** Darrell Johnson**Board Chair:** Shell Dula**Profile of the SC Graduate****World Class Knowledge**

- Rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness
- Multiple languages, science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and social sciences\*

**World Class Skills**

- Creativity and innovation
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Communication, information, media and technology
- Knowing how to learn

**Life and Career Characteristics**

- Integrity
- Self-direction
- Global perspective
- Perseverance
- Work ethic
- Interpersonal skills

**WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS**

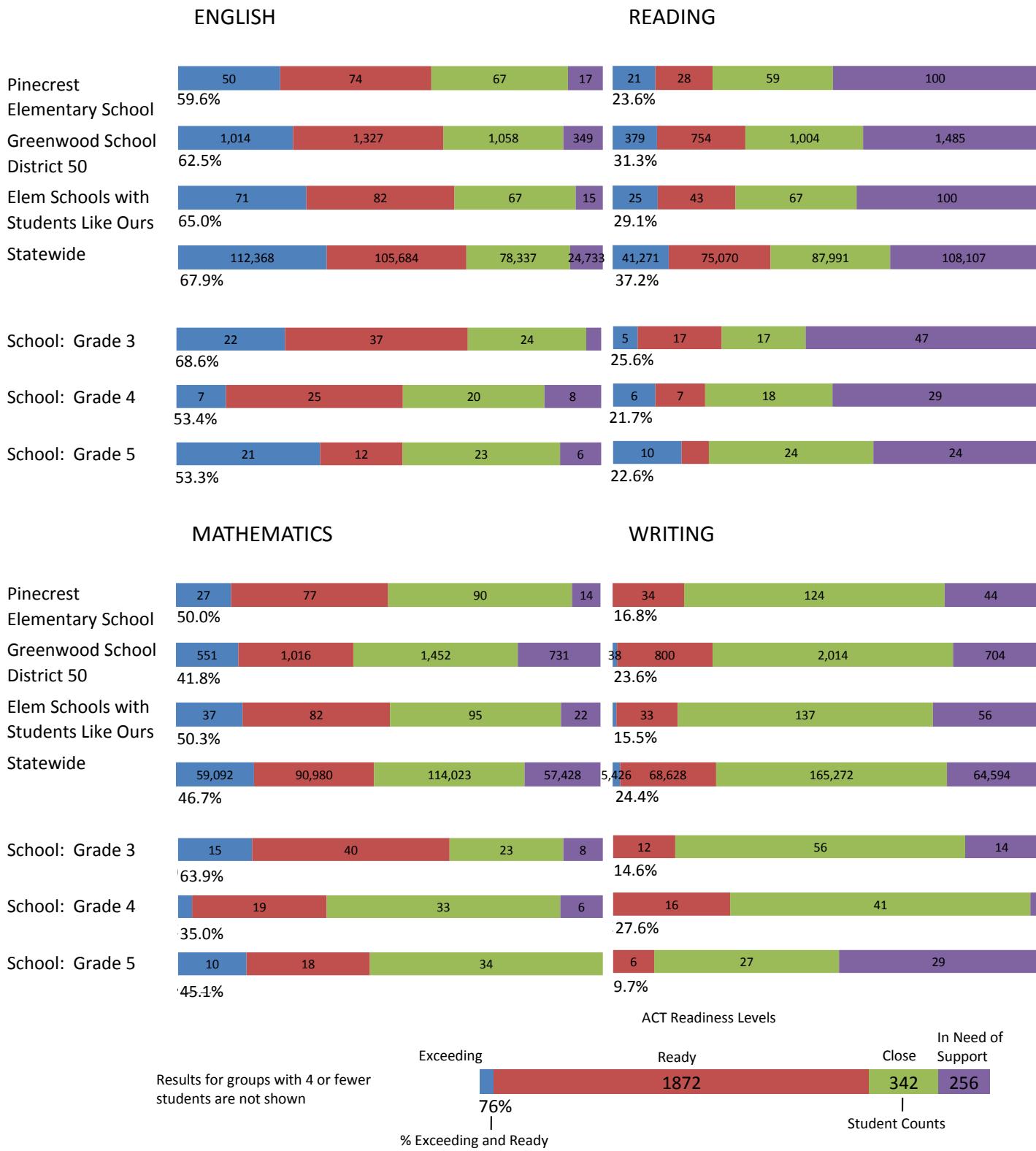
*Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by ...*

Pinecrest Elementary School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the profile of the Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically challenging learning environment. We provide such an environment through the implementation of our school vision: a school that is "A Great Place to Grow." We demonstrate this vision by challenging our students with best practices to reach their full potential and by the continuous professional development of our teachers. Our teachers are constantly seeking to learn new and effective strategies to use in the classroom such as: Guided Reading, Lucy Calkins Reader's and Writer's Workshop, instructional technology, Response to Intervention, WIDA Standards in the mainstream classroom, Accelerated Reader, GATAS, Reading Interventionists, research, Rigor, Inclusion in the regular classroom, and Reading Recovery. We are proud of our academic achievement and celebrate our many accomplishments. At Pinecrest Elementary we also have various programs outside the academic world to focus on the development of the whole child. School-wide we have focused on Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) program. This program rewards our students for displaying positive behaviors. We celebrate these behaviors with our students each nine weeks. Life and Career Characteristics are emphasized through monthly character lessons which are presented by our guidance counselor. Pinecrest also provides World Class leadership opportunities for students through service learning projects such as: United Way, Relay for Life, Humane Society, March of Dimes, The Salvation Army, Student Council, and UNICEFF. Students also participate in a variety of arts and social science activities such as: chorus, Art in the Afternoon, Talent Show, Lander Performing Arts Series, Strings program, International Heritage Night, Wax Museum, and Talent Show. At Pinecrest Elementary we believe the school, family, and community must share the educational responsibility of our young. Thank you for all of your support in helping with the development of our future South Carolina graduates and world leaders! Stacey Slagle, Chair of the School Improvement Council Susan H. Buchanan, Principal

\* 21st Century core courses in Social Sciences include History, Geography, Economics, Government and Civics.

**KNOWLEDGE**

The ACT Aspire assessment was given to students in grades 3-8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Reading, English, Mathematics and Writing



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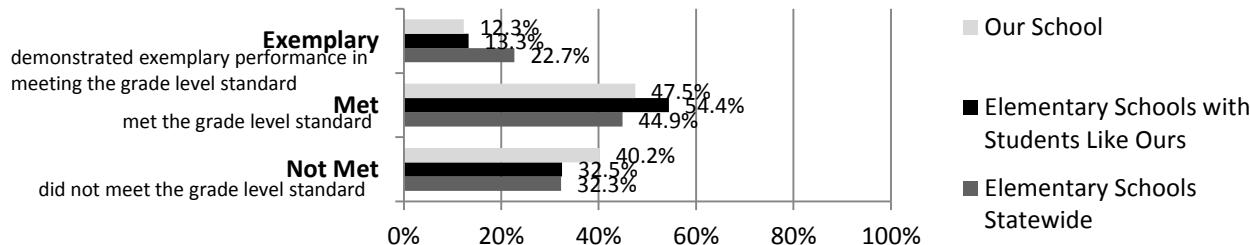
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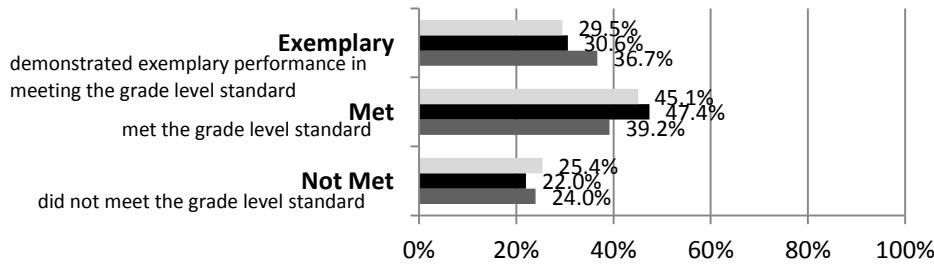
## KNOWLEDGE

The SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) was given to students in grades 4 - 8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Science and Social Studies.

### Science



### Social Studies



### Science SCPASS

Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level

4th grade	5th grade
55.0	64.5

### Social Studies SCPASS

Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level

4th grade	5th grade
85.0	64.5

Note: Results include SC-Alt assessment results.

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

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.

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**OPPORTUNITIES****For students to meet the profile of the SC Graduate**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with students like ours
<b>Students (n = 500)</b>			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	75.8	Down from 77.3%	N/A
Attendance Rate	95.9	Down from 97.0%	95.7
With disabilities	9.4	Down from 11.0%	13.5
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.8	Up from 0.0%	0.0
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	5.0	Down from 8.7%	6.7
Percentage of students retained	1.0	Up from 0.2%	1.1
<b>Teachers (n = 31)</b>			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	67.7	Down from 77.1%	58.8
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	87.1	Down from 94.3%	82.0
Teachers returning from previous year	88.3	Down from 93.0%	88.6
Teacher attendance rate	94.5	Down from 96.1%	94.9
Average teacher salary*	\$48,695	Down 5.1%	\$48,353
Professional development days / teacher	24.8 days	Up from 14.3 days	10.5 days
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.4
<b>School</b>			
Principal's years at school	8.0	Up from 7.0	5.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.4 to 1	Down from 24.4 to 1	20.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.5	Down from 91.4%	89.5
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Poor	N/A	Poor
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	94.2	Down from 100.0%	100.0
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent
Avg. age of books / electronic media in the school library	15.0	N/A	15.0
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	24.9	N/A	25.0
Bandwidth capacity per student	<25 Mbps	N/C	N/A
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	76-100%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	0.9	N/C	0.9
District-issued technology devices per teacher	4.8	N/C	1.9
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0	No change	0.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,019	Down 1.3%	\$7,784
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.9	Up from 68.5%	66.2
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	70.0	No change	67.4

\* Includes current year teachers contracted for 190 days or more.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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**OPPORTUNITIES****Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents****Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	35	58	31
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.1	91.3	93.5
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	88.6	89.6	93.8
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	82.8	96.6	80.6

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

**State Ratings History of School**

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2014	Excellent	Excellent
2013	Good	Average
2012	Good	Good

Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.

**Additional Resources**

SC State Content Standards

[Family-Friendly Guides to the SC Content Standards](#)

[2014-15 Accountability Manual](#)

[Report Card Data Files](#)

[ESEA Data Files](#)

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