

Calhoun Falls Charter School

205 Edgefield Street
Calhoun Falls, SC 29655

Grades	6-12 High School	
Enrollment	179 Students	
Principal	Deirdre McCullough	864-418-8014
Superintendent	Wayne Brazell, Ph. D.	803-734-8322
Board Chair	Don McLaurin	803-603-1441

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

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

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.

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ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
5	6	22	7	2

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

High School Assessment Program (HSAP) Exam Passage Rate: Second Year Students

Percent	Our High School			High Schools with Students Like Ours		
	2012	2013	2014	2012	2013	2014
Passed both subtests	80.0%	93.1%	82.8%	65.1%	69.2%	63.1%
Passed one subtest	8.0%	3.4%	6.9%	19.0%	17.1%	23.1%
Passed no subtests	12.0%	3.4%	10.3%	18.6%	16.7%	13.8%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2014

	Our High School	High Schools w/ Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	95.8%	85.0%

Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2013	2014*	2013	2014
Number of Students in Four-Year Cohort	25	30	139	131
Number of Graduates in Cohort	21	25	103	100
Rate	84.0%	83.3%	70.8%	73.7%

*Used to calculate current ESEA/Federal Accountability Grade.

Five-Year Cohort Graduation Rate

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2013	2014	2013	2014
Number of Students in Cohort	22	25	140	145
Number of Graduates in Cohort	19	22	106	112
Rate	86.4%	88.0%	72.5%	74.9%

End of Course Tests

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours*
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0%	69.6%
English 1	74.2%	52.9%
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	83.3%	63.6%
US History and the Constitution	66.7%	43.7%
All Subjects	80.4%	57.3%

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

School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n = 179)				
Retention Rate	1.1%	Up from 0.0%	4.3%	3.0%
Attendance Rate	95.3%	Down from 95.8%	95.1%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	0.0%	No change	11.7%	17.7%
With disabilities	4.5%	Down from 5.3%	14.4%	11.5%
Older than usual for grade	9.0%	Up from 8.0%	10.5%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.1%	Up from 0.5%	1.1%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	0.0%	No change	6.3%	15.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	19.7%	52.8%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	58.3%	Down from 68.0%	29.6%	30.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	65.8%	Down from 98.5%	6.3%	5.3%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	79	Up from 65	296	423
Students participating in work-based experiences	21.5%	Up from 20.0%	10.4%	13.1%
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	97.5%	Down from 98.5%	83.5%	84.5%
Career/technology students completers placed	100.0%	N/A	100.0%	98.7%
Annual dropout rate	0.9%	Up from 0.0%	1.9%	2.1%
Dropout Recovery Rate	0.0%	N/A	8.0%	4.0%
Teachers (n = 25)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	24.0%	Down from 30.4%	60.0%	64.3%
Continuing contract teachers	56.0%	Down from 65.2%	66.7%	77.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.6%	Up from 88.7%	80.9%	85.5%
Teacher attendance rate	96.1%	Down from 99.8%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$36,278	Up 0.6%	\$45,542	\$48,414
Professional development days/teacher	5.7 days	Down from 8.7 days	10.8 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	16.8 to 1	Down from 17.1 to 1	22.4 to 1	26.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.1%	Down from 95.4%	89.7%	90.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$12,190	Up 26.0%	\$10,028	\$8,238
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	52.5%	Up from 52.0%	55.1%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.7%	Up from 62.0%	56.1%	58.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Poor	Down from Fair	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	No	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	73.0%	Down from 96.1%	97.2%	98.7%
Character development program	Below Average	Down from Excellent	Good	Good

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

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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Performance By Student Groups

	HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2014		End of Course Tests Passage Rate		On-time Graduation Rate, 2014	
	n	%	t	%	n	%
All Students	24	95.8%	112	80.4%	30	83.3%
Gender						
Male	16	93.8%	62	80.6%	22	77.3%
Female	N/A	N/A	50	80.0%	N/A	N/A
Racial/Ethnic Group						
White	12	100.0%	69	82.6%	19	78.9%
African American	12	91.7%	41	78.0%	11	90.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander	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
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disability Status						
Disabled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Migrant Status						
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Proficiency						
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socio-Economic Status						
Subsidized meals	18	94.4%	98	79.6%	23	82.6%

NOTE: n=number of students on which percentage is calculated; t=number of tests taken.

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Report of Principal and School

CFCS continues to pursue academic excellence at the local, state, and national levels. For the second consecutive year, CFCS earned the Palmetto Gold Award, recognition as the Lakelands' Top Middle School, and another "A" Federal Accountability grade. The school also received the National Beta School of Distinction Award, along with being named a Title I Reward School.

The CFCS Class of 2014 consisted of 24 graduates, earning over \$891,694 in scholarships. Fourteen graduates received Life Scholarships. Eight graduates plan to attend a four-year college or university, 15 will attend a technical school, and 1 joined the US Army. CFCS juniors and seniors earned 174 dual credit hours this year through Lander University and Piedmont Technical College.

For the fifth consecutive year, a CFCS student was named the South Carolina Public Charter School District's "Outstanding High School Student of the Year." For the second consecutive year, CFCS's FFA Chapter was awarded their second consecutive Gold Emblem Chapter Award. Both the boy's basketball and boy's track teams won CFCS's first region titles. Three students were named to SC's All State Basketball Team. One was invited to play in SC's North-South basketball game, and another was invited to play in the prestigious North Carolina-South Carolina basketball game. The boy's baseball and girls' basketball teams also advanced to the first round of the state play-offs.

Over 100 students participated in CFCS's service learning program, logging 2,593 volunteer hours within the school, community, and surrounding areas. Student organizations such as the FFA and Beta Club sponsored several successful food drives, while other groups/individuals participated in fundraising events for Relay for Life and March of Dimes.

At CFCS, we are proud of our accomplishments and excited about the future. With the continued support of parents, community members, and business partners, we will continue to be a "School of Excellence."

Principal, Deirdre McCullough

SIC Chairperson, Karen Ashley

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	9	20	16
Percent satisfied with learning environment	I/S	100.0%	87.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	I/S	95.0%	75.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	I/S	90.0%	68.8%

* Only students at the highest High 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 High 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	87.0
Overall Grade Conversion	B

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)

Calhoun Falls Charter School 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.
	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	11	3.2%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	24.6	7.3%

	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	8.8%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	95.3%	94.0%*	Yes

	State
Professional qualifications of all High and secondary teachers in the State (Advanced Degrees)	61.9%
Percentage of all high and secondary teachers in the State with emergency or provisional credentials	0.0%

* Or greater than last year

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Performance By Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 9-12								
All Students	225.2	218.9	81.1	72.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	83.3
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	77.3
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	78.9
African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	90.9
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	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	82.6
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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Two-Year High School Grades Trend Data

	Grade	HSAP ELA			HSAP Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
		2013	9	0	I/S	I/S	0
10	28		228.3	100.0	28	220.3	100.0
11	0		I/S	I/S	0	I/S	I/S
12	0		I/S	I/S	0	I/S	I/S
End-of-Course Science			End-of-Course Social Studies*/History				
N	Mean		% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested	
9	87		N/A	100.0	0	I/S	I/S
10	6		I/S	100.0	3	I/S	100.0
11	2		I/S	100.0	15	67.2	100.0
12	0		I/S	I/S	8	I/S	100.0

	Grade	HSAP ELA			HSAP Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
		2014	9	0	I/S	I/S	0
10	27		224.7	100.0	27	218.0	100.0
11	1		I/S	I/S	1	I/S	I/S
12	0		I/S	I/S	0	I/S	I/S
End-of-Course Science			End-of-Course Social Studies*/History				
N	Mean		% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested	
9	22		80.8	100.0	0	I/S	I/S
10	7		I/S	100.0	0	I/S	I/S
11	1		I/S	100.0	19	73.3	100.0
12	0		I/S	I/S	8	I/S	100.0

NOTE: ELA and Math N-counts are based on number of students. Science and History N-counts are based on number of End-of-Course Biology 1 and US History and the Constitution tests administered. Results include the SC-ALT test.

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (District)

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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	644.4	631.7	622.0	637.6	98.3	99.3	99.6	N/A
Male	638.8	630.3	620.3	639.0	98.0	99.3	99.6	N/A
Female	650.5	633.2	624.0	636.2	98.5	99.4	99.5	N/A
White	653.5	640.9	631.4	646.8	98.5	99.4	99.7	N/A
African American	617.2	602.3	591.8	612.0	97.8	99.3	98.9	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	670.1	683.8	660.2	661.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	635.8	616.3	613.2	627.3	96.8	98.1	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	607.1	587.4	582.0	604.3	90.8	99.2	99.4	N/A
Limited English Proficient	621.4	617.0	607.7	618.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	630.1	613.8	605.2	620.2	98.1	99.4	99.7	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	636.0	627.6	625.6	625.9	99.4	99.3	99.5	N/A
Male	630.3	628.5	628.6	629.6	99.1	99.1	99.5	N/A
Female	641.7	626.7	622.6	622.2	99.6	99.5	99.5	N/A
White	640.3	632.1	630.4	630.0	99.4	99.3	99.5	N/A
African American	618.5	609.9	606.6	613.6	99.3	99.3	99.3	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	677.8	667.8	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	635.0	623.5	624.0	614.0	98.9	98.9	99.2	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	581.5	584.2	581.9	587.0	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Limited English Proficient	620.4	608.2	608.4	608.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	621.0	612.8	610.8	611.6	99.2	99.2	99.3	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	228.0	215.4	81.4	70.5	96.3	95.9	100.0	38.1
Male	223.1	215.6	81.7	72.3	95.8	95.3	100.0	33.8
Female	231.6	215.1	81.1	69.4	96.6	96.4	100.0	41.1
White	229.4	217.3	82.2	71.1	96.1	95.8	100.0	37.7
African American	220.7	204.5	76.6	67.1	96.3	95.5	100.0	41.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	35.3
Hispanic	229.1	214.8	80.9	72.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	38.8
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	21.4
With Disabilities	206.9	193.2	69.4	64.5	93.4	93.4	100.0	25.2
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	27.3
Subsidized Meals	223.6	209.8	79.0	68.6	95.5	94.9	100.0	28.6
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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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State)

4/27/2015

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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

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

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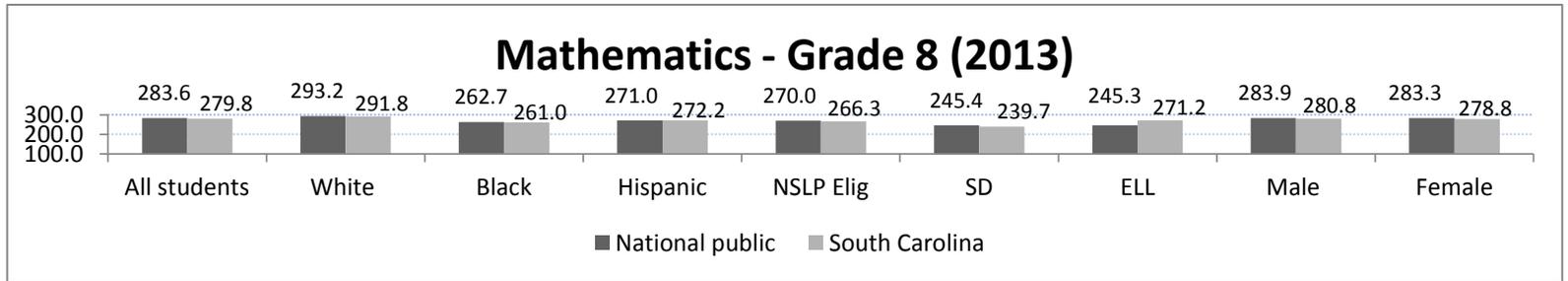
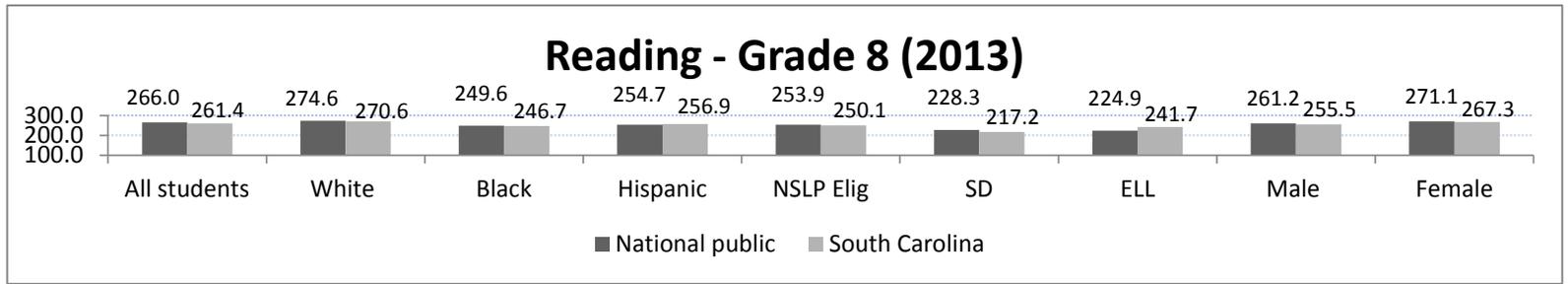
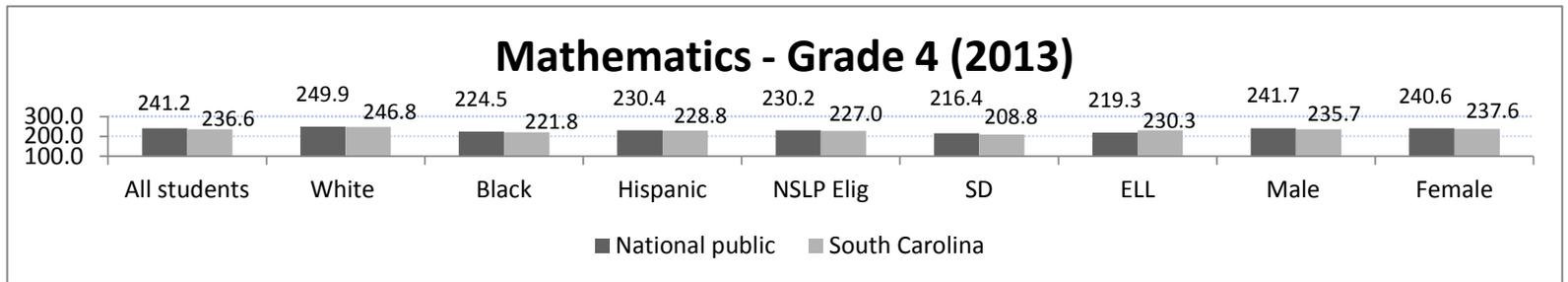
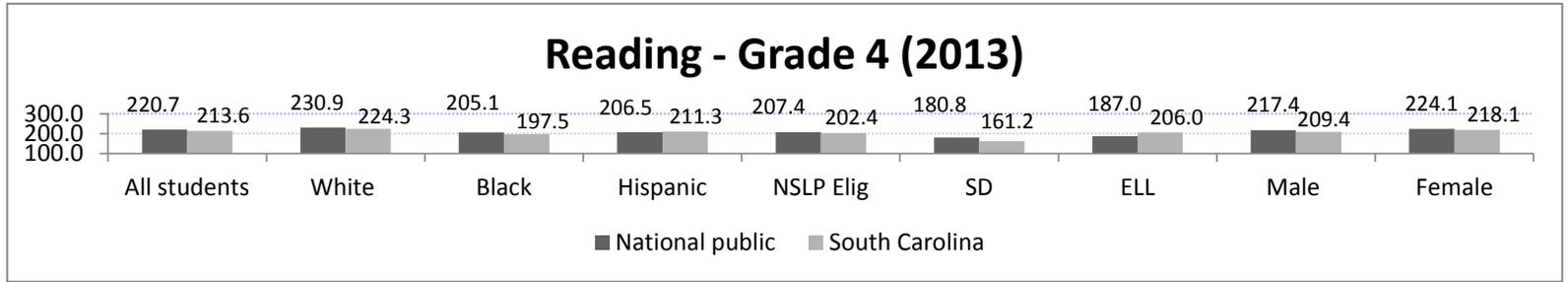
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*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.



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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