



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

McLees Elementary

Anderson 5

Grades: K-5

Principal: Janet Mills

Superintendent: Betty T. Bagley

Board Chair: Dr. William Mack Burriss

Enrollment: 691

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	At-Risk	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2006	Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A

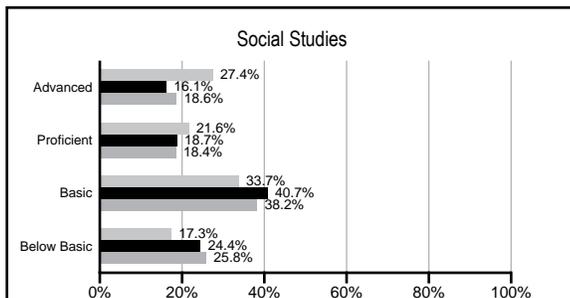
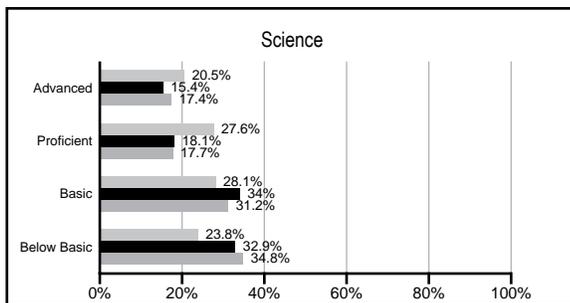
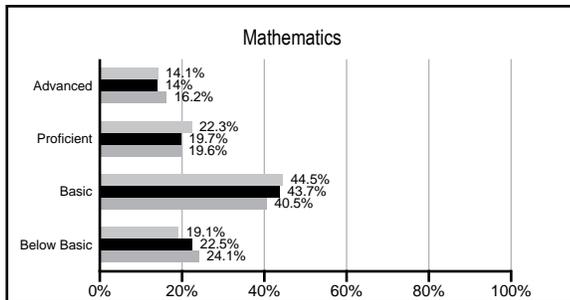
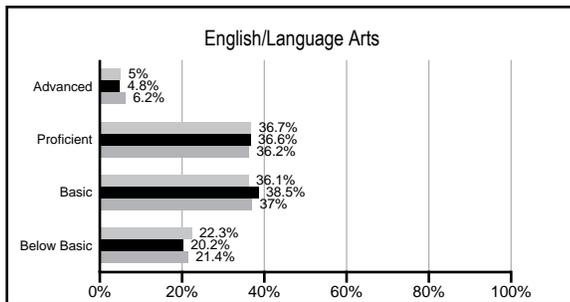
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	7	53	30	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Elementary Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

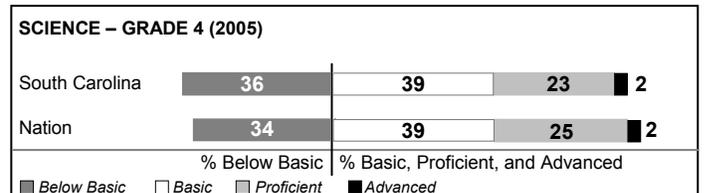
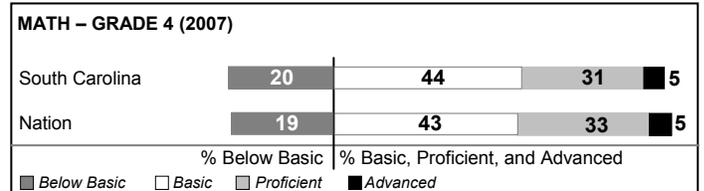
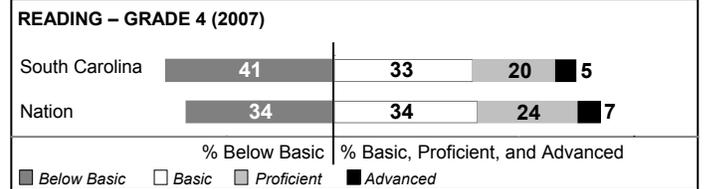
PACT PERFORMANCE

Our School
 Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours
 Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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McLees Elementary [Anderson 5]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=691)				
Retention rate	5.1%	Up from 4.0%	2.9%	2.3%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 96.0%	96.2%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	6.8%	Up from 6.6%	9.7%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	17.6%	Up from 14.5%	8.6%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=55)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.9%	Up from 48.1%	58.1%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	65.5%	Down from 74.1%	80.5%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.0%	Down from 87.4%	87.4%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Up from 94.4%	94.7%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$44,829	Up 4.9%	\$45,421	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.8%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.6 to 1	Down from 18.2 to 1	18.5 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.2%	Down from 90.3%	89.4%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Average	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$6,387	Down 12.6%	\$6,895	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	71.9%	Up from 62.9%	68.7%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	69.8%	Up from 59.7%	65.0%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	90.5%		88.2%	85.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	54	87	65
Percent satisfied with learning environment	90.7%	93.0%	84.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	98.1%	87.4%	89.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	74.1%	87.4%	73.4%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

McLees Elementary School is a wonderful school located on the west side of Anderson, South Carolina. It rests on a beautiful campus nestled in gently sloping farmland. This year our theme was "Exploring Our World Through Learning" as we all climbed onboard to offer a quality education to our students. McLees had an average enrollment of 700 students and 103 staff and faculty members. The faculty, staff, and administration work together as a strong team. We are committed to providing a quality instructional program that is tailored for each child, and a safe school environment that is conducive to valuable educational experiences.

Our school received a report card rating of Average in 2007. We are a Red Carpet and a Schools of Promise school. This was our fourth year as a member of the South Carolina Healthy Schools Initiative. Two specialized programs offered at McLees were Early Reading Intervention, which we expanded to help in kindergarten, first, and second grades this year, and Reading Recovery which focused on first grade. We continued to incorporate a new computer program entitled Fast ForWord to help students weak in literacy skills. Other instructional programs included computer-assisted instruction, Science-assisted instruction, Daily Calendar Math, and balanced literacy. We added new writing recognition programs named Best in Show and Maverick Writers to our writing program. Staff development sessions included balanced literacy, writing, software programs, vertical teaming, Science kits, Science notebooking, and Responsive Classroom/Cooperative Discipline Instruction. Academic Assistance plans were developed for students experiencing difficulty in mastering grade level standards. Other activities included a Robotics Club, Academic Center, Walking Club, Chorus, Family Reading Night, Arts Day, and a fall and spring Open House.

At McLees Elementary School, we are dedicated to our students, and eagerly accept the challenge of assisting them in becoming responsible, independent learners in a developmentally appropriate environment. Diversity is appreciated, and family and community are involved as partners in this wonderful process!

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