



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Kelly Miller Elementary**  
**Fairfield**  
**Grades: PK-6** Enrollment: 306  
**Principal: Lillian Potter-Arnold**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Samantha J. Ingram**  
**Board Chair: Mr. Harold C. Heath**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Below Average	Good	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	Met	N/A
2006	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	Met	N/A

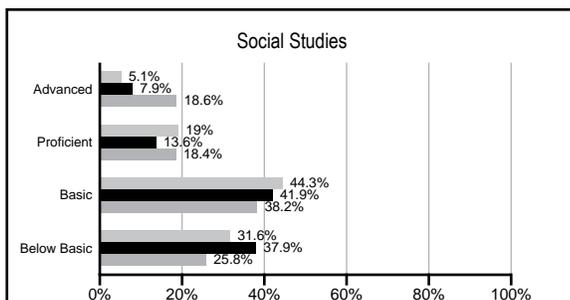
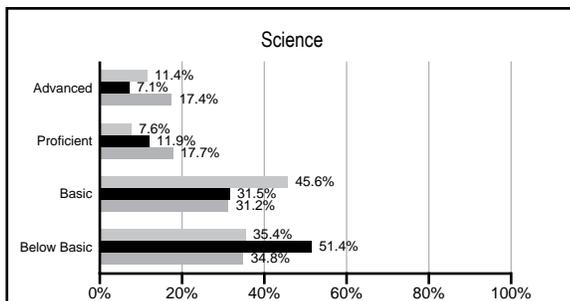
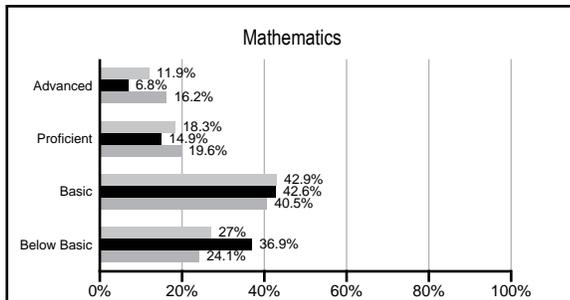
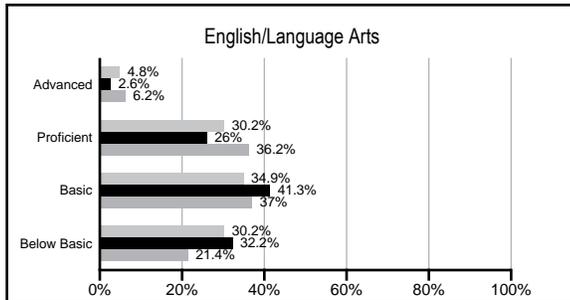
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	11	59	42

\* 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.

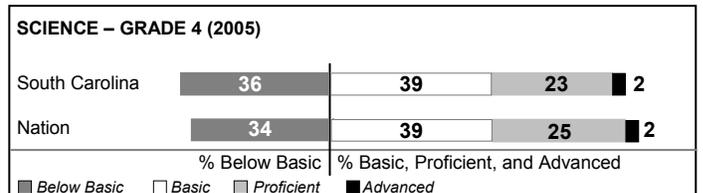
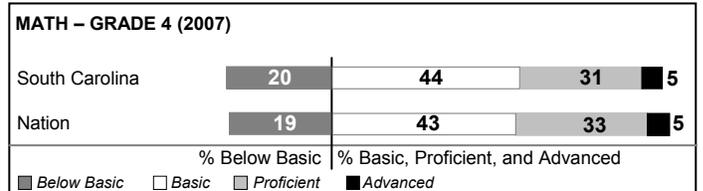
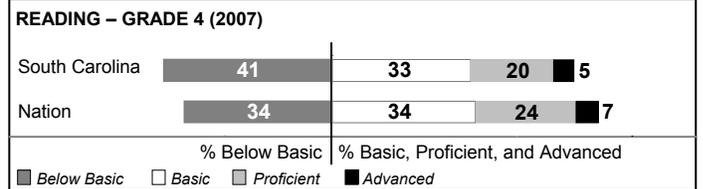
## PACT PERFORMANCE

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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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
<b>Students (n=306)</b>				
Retention rate	0.4%	Down from 3.3%	3.0%	2.3%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Up from 96.6%	96.0%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	15.4%	Up from 13.4%	3.8%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	5.0%	Up from 4.5%	7.9%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	3.9%	Up from 0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=27)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	40.7%	Down from 47.6%	54.8%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	40.7%	Down from 57.1%	70.3%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	5.9%	Down from 6.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	77.0%	Up from 76.4%	83.5%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	97.1%	Up from 95.9%	95.0%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$41,440	Down 3.1%	\$43,988	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.6%	Up from 0.0%	0.5%	0.0%
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.4 to 1	Down from 17.9 to 1	16.8 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.6%	Up from 90.6%	89.2%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$8,304	Up 0.3%	\$7,884	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	67.5%	Up from 67.2%	69.1%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	62.7%	Up from 58.5%	62.8%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		73.7%	85.7%

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	25	27	8
Percent satisfied with learning environment	56.0%	77.8%	I/S
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	76.0%	48.1%	I/S
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	58.3%	74.1%	I/S

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Kelly Miller is located in a rural community of Fairfield County. The mission of Kelly Miller Elementary school is to provide a nurturing, safe, and orderly environment, while promoting high expectations for academics and social achievement in a diverse society. Therefore, we believe every student has the right and responsibility to learn; families, communities, and schools should work collaboratively to ensure the success of all students; individuals should be treated with respect and fairness; and each student should be provided with opportunities to receive an education that meets individual needs.

The commitment of parents, students, and staff is evident in the accomplishments achieved this year. We approached the new initiatives with enthusiasm. This year, our students were introduced to criterion referenced testing (CRT) quarterly. This test offered students an opportunity to address all standards recommended. The rigor, relevance, and relationships required to enhance better performance from students have brought inspiration to our students and staff in teaching and learning. Students made gains in MAP benchmarks assessment. The students engaged in MAP assessment twice during the school year. The gains made were significant; however, we are working diligently to improve our level of performance at the proficient and advanced levels.

Our staff and students received accolades for their accomplishments through the media, school board meetings, and the school. Several teachers are pursuing a master's or doctoral degree. The accomplishments of the students were exceedingly great as well. One of the students received the Lt. Governor's Writing Award for the district; one student received the Governor's Citizenship Award. One student participated in USC's Region II Science Fair; several students were recognized for achieving 80% or better in one or more CRT's. Our students participated in the State Read-In, KMES Read-In and the District-Read-In. We also won the District Read-In competition. Students traveled on several fieldtrips, including Disney on Ice, Riverbanks Zoo, and Augusta Baker. Students participated in the district writing and spelling bee. The students made achievements in both areas.

Our students and staff continue to participate in community service projects. Students are collecting pennies for the Children's Miracle Network. Staff contributed to the United Way and the United Negro College Fund.

We are consistently exposing our students to new and innovative methods to improve themselves allowing them to become well-rounded individuals. Our motto "KMES captivates minds essential for success," is a commitment from staff and students to excel.

Jacqueline Beaver, School Improvement Council President  
Brenda P. Gilchrist, Principal

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