



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pine Tree Hill Elementary  
 Kershaw County  
 Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 663  
 Principal: Lisa Shannon  
 Superintendent: Dr. Frank E. Morgan  
 Board Chair: Joseph Dorton, Jr.

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	CA
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CSI
2007	Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	NI

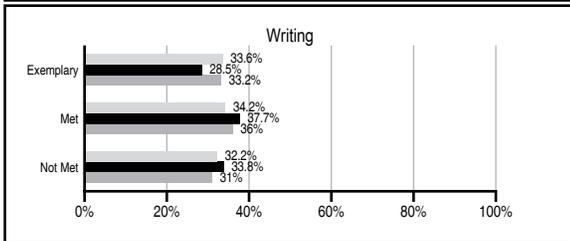
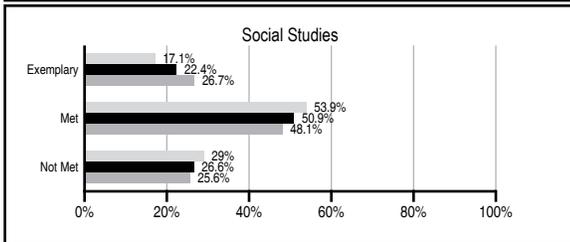
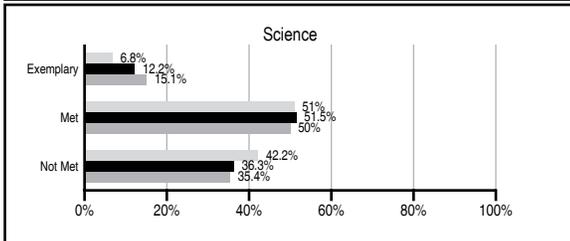
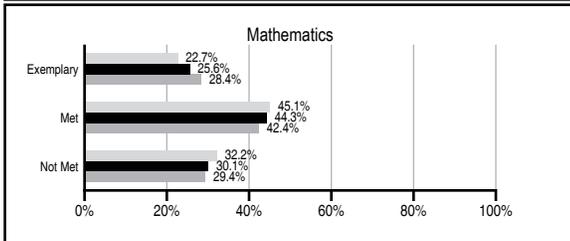
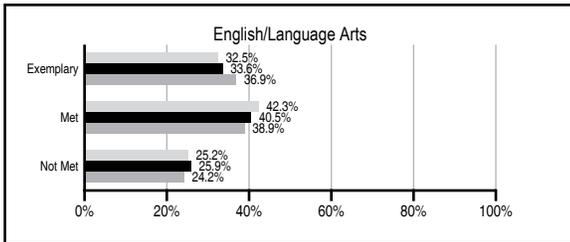
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	14	91	10	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

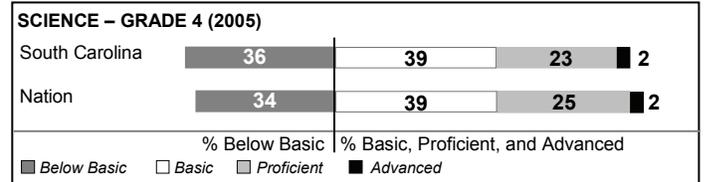
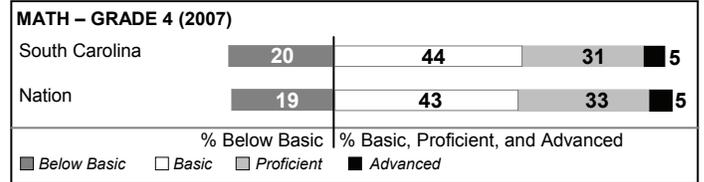
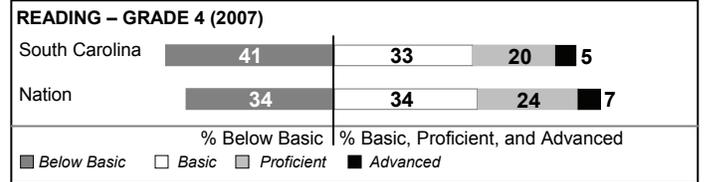
## PASS PERFORMANCE

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 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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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
<b>Students (n=663)</b>				
Retention rate	2.4%	Down from 3.8%	2.4%	1.9%
Attendance rate	95.8%	Down from 96.0%	96.2%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	15.1%	Down from 15.3%	8.6%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	6.4%	Down from 7.8%	9.2%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.4%	Down from 1.0%	0.6%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	4.4%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=45)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	73.3%	Up from 64.3%	59.3%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	82.2%	Up from 81.0%	82.5%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.3%	Up from 84.5%	86.5%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.0%	Up from 92.0%	95.0%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,439	Up 2.8%	\$47,306	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.8%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	7.7 days	Down from 15.6 days	11.6 days	11.1 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	No Change	4.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.7 to 1	Down from 20.7 to 1	18.9 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.0%	Up from 84.9%	90.0%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	81.7%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,374	Up 5.4%	\$7,360	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	74.6%	No Change	68.5%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	70.8%	Down from 71.3%	61.7%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	90.5%	Up from 76.2%	100.0%	100.0%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Pine Tree Hill Bull Pups had a wonderful 2008-09 school year. Excellence is a top priority at our school. We continued the services of our science labs, curriculum coach, and reading interventionist, increased the use of our computer lab for computer-based interventions, and implemented PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports). PTH also was selected as a Red Carpet School by the State Department of Education. PTH is home to a strong instructional staff. Pine Tree Hill has 13 National Board Certified teachers, and our teacher of the year was selected as a Kershaw County Honor Roll Teacher. In addition, Rebekah Branham was named Kershaw's Outstanding First Year Teacher. Flexible grouping continued at all grade levels this year. Our faculty has worked diligently to implement flexible groups, based upon assessment results, to address the specific learning needs of our students. PTH provides an on-site after-school child care service through PEP, Pupil Enrichment Program. During second semester, a weekly extended-day session is provided for students needing extra support in grades 3, 4, and 5. Additionally, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, and strings class are offered as enrichment opportunities for our students. We celebrate our children's growth through Honor Roll recognitions, Book-celebrations, and other celebrations. Our students continued their community service through food drives, Jump Rope for Heart, Relay for Life, and recycling activities sponsored by student council and Beta Club. Students had the opportunity to provide leadership through the Safety Patrol Program and the WPUP News Daily Broadcast. Our fifth graders practice good citizenship by serving the school community. They produce a morning news show WPUP, serve through Safety Patrol, and act as front-door greeters. Fifth graders may also participate in the school chorus, district chorus, and the PTH Performance Tinikling Team. The fine arts teachers planned with teachers on every grade level to develop integrated arts lessons and units as well as assisted with literacy groups in first grade. In addition, teachers continued planning with our curriculum coach, working with the fine arts team and collaborating on SuccessMaker plans and results. Throughout the year, 1st – 5th grade teachers met regularly to look at lesson plans and achievement results, making revisions in plans as needed and developing common assessments for use in instruction. Pine Tree Hill is fortunate to have the support of our parent community. Parents volunteer in classrooms, assist with field trips, and help with book fairs and other special projects. Our PTO hosts successful fundraisers and the annual Fall Festival and Spring Carnival, fun-filled evenings for our students and their families. The School Improvement Council provides support for school policies and continuous improvement efforts. Lisa Shannon, Ph.D., Principal; Cheryl Cobb, SIC Chairperson

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	39	97	67
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.3%	73.2%	85.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.9%	75.3%	76.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	79.5%	78.4%	75.0%

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

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