



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Brennen Elementary
Richland 1
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 758
Principal: Marian Crum-Mack, Ph.D.
Superintendent: Dr. Percy A. Mack
Board Chair: Vince Ford

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	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	Met	N/A

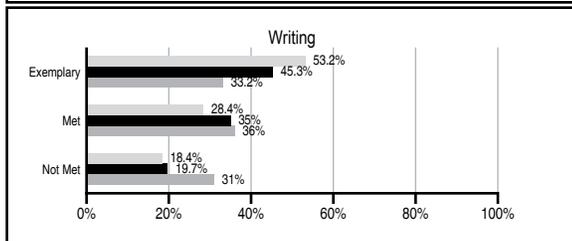
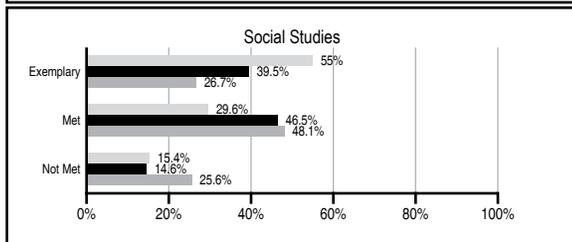
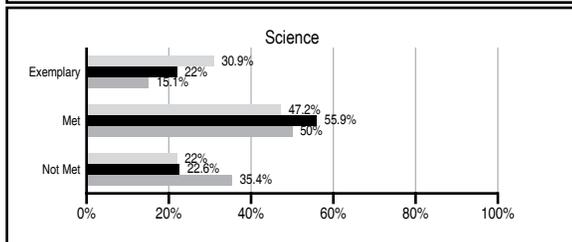
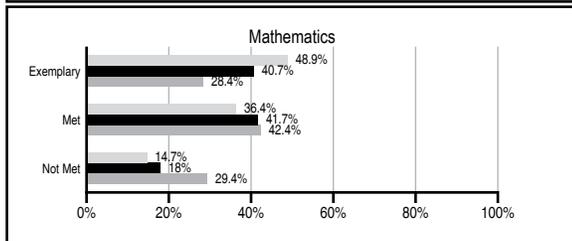
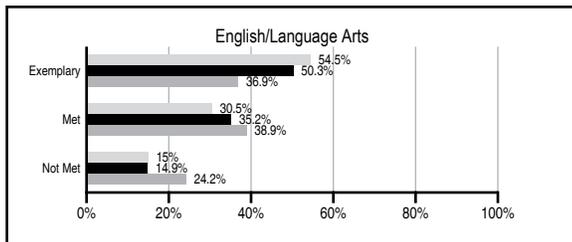
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
22	19	8	0	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.

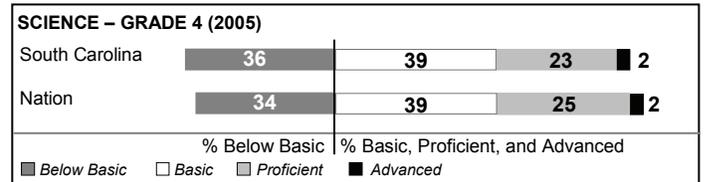
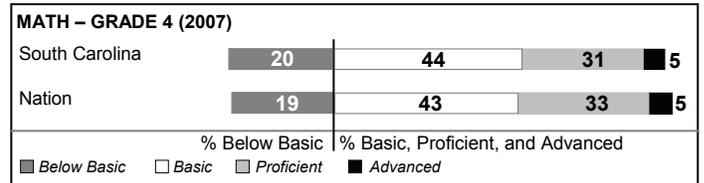
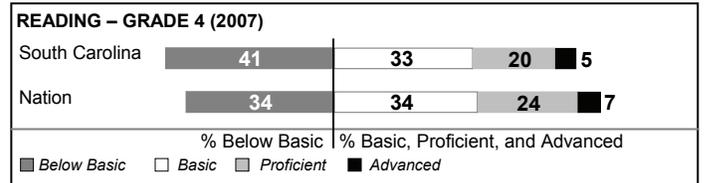
PASS PERFORMANCE

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
Students (n=758)				
Retention rate	1.7%	Down from 1.9%	1.5%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.0%	Down from 96.4%	96.7%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	23.9%	Down from 28.1%	17.8%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	10.0%	Up from 9.0%	8.1%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.5%	Up from 0.3%	0.3%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=56)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	67.9%	Up from 66.1%	60.7%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	71.4%	Up from 69.6%	80.6%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 2.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.1%	Down from 86.9%	86.1%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.8%	Down from 95.3%	95.2%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$53,705	Up 7.0%	\$47,927	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	12.6 days	Down from 12.7 days	10.2 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.2 to 1	Up from 19.6 to 1	20.0 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.7%	Down from 89.6%	91.1%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.5%	Up from 93.1%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,258	Up 5.5%	\$6,632	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	82.5%	No Change	70.6%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	77.5%	Down from 79.8%	66.1%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	Up from 90.5%	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	55	111	69
Percent satisfied with learning environment	87.3%	88.2%	88.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	92.6%	86.5%	86.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	98.1%	90.1%	85.5%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Brennen Elementary School continues to be a flagship for elementary education throughout South Carolina. The school is situated in a residential section of Columbia and serves approximately 770 students in grades K through 5. Brennen's greatest strengths come from its strong student achievement, excellent parent and community support, comprehensive social action projects, and continuous professional development.

We are proud of the student achievement and other school honors that have come to us at Brennen in recent years. Since the beginning of testing, we have maintained a rating of Excellent or Good on the SC School Report Card. Also, for 6 of the 8 years, we have maintained Palmetto Gold or Silver Award status. In addition, our students have performed above the state average on all parts of PACT testing each year. For multiple years, we have continued our status as a Red Carpet School as well as an SC School of Promise. Eight 5th-graders won honors in the junior division at the USC Region II Science and Engineering Fair. We utilize the latest technology, such as interactive whiteboards and a wireless mobile computer lab, to maximize our students' achievement. All of our students participate in art, music, PE, Spanish, and drama classes. First- through fifth-graders perform in full-length plays.

Our parent and community support is quite impressive. The PTO sponsored its 6th fundraising auction, raising over \$25,000 during that one evening and attracting approximately 275 attendees (PTO raised almost \$60,000 over the entire school year). Profits from the evening were used to fund technology purchases, create an Outdoor Classroom, and provide HET (Highly Effective Teaching) training for our faculty and staff. Among the PTO activities that regularly bring in hundreds of attendees are events such as Harvest Happening, Spring Supper, Back-to-School Bash, Walk Your Child to School Day, and Grandparents' Day. Our neighborhood Kilbourne Park Baptist Church members serve as our Faith-Based Partners and allow us to have our 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony in their gym. USC's Foreign Language Department students have continued to provide German instruction to interested students in one of our after-school programs.

Our Social Action Projects included Pennies for Pasta (\$900 for the Leukemia Society), Jump Rope for Heart (\$6,353 for the American Heart Association), Harvest Hope Food Drive (2,079 pounds), Relay for Life (\$1,000 for the American Cancer Society), and The Water Project (\$1,756 for a well for an African village).

In much the same way, we have continued our emphasis on professional development. We have implemented Stages One and Two of HET (Highly Effective Teaching) and provided multiple-year coaching for our faculty and staff. Stage One focuses on the physical and emotional environment of the school. Stage Two addresses curriculum and instruction issues.

All of us associated with Brennen Elementary School are proud of our 59-year history of academic excellence and have pride in the outstanding elementary school experience that we provide for our students.

Dr. Marian Crum-Mack, Principal
Leah Hollingsworth and Melissa Speir – SIC Chairpersons

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