



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pleasant Hill Middle
 Lexington 1
 Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 944
 Principal: Dr. William Coon
 Superintendent: Dr. Karen C. Woodward
 Board Chair: G. Edwin Harmon, Ph.D.

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	Not Met	N/A
2008	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

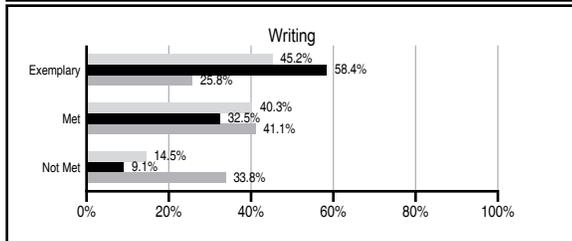
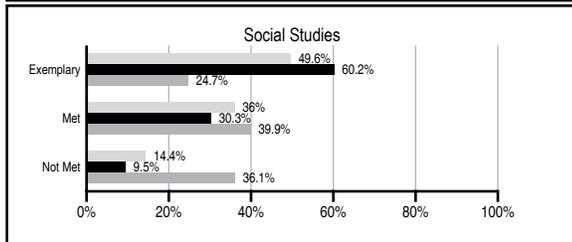
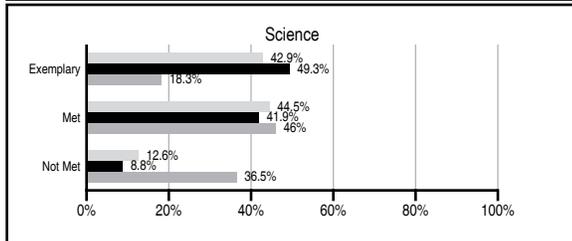
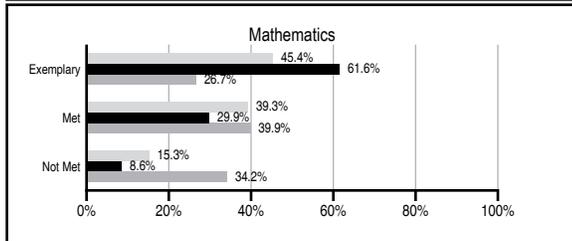
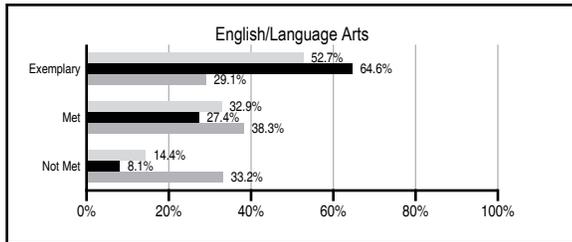
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
8	1	0	0	0

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

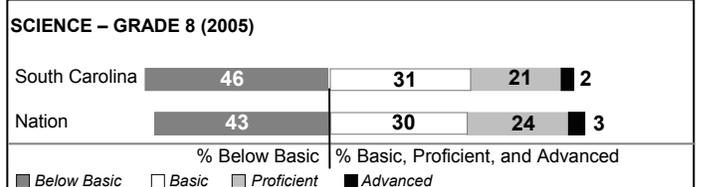
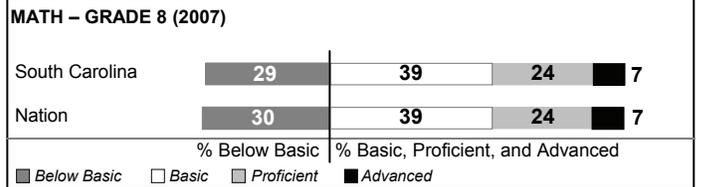
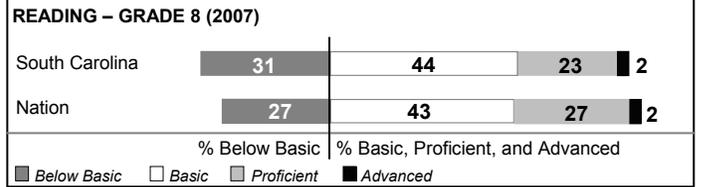
PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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



END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	99.3
English 1	100.0	100.0
Physical Science	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	99.3

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	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=944)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	23.0%	Down from 27.8%	47.8%	21.6%
Retention rate	0.5%	Up from 0.3%	0.2%	1.2%
Attendance rate	97.0%	Up from 96.7%	97.2%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	30.0%	Down from 33.7%	33.2%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	6.5%	Down from 6.6%	6.7%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	0.2%	Up from 0.1%	0.2%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.2%	Down from 0.5%	0.3%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=64)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	59.4%	Up from 53.8%	63.2%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	78.1%	Up from 69.2%	78.1%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	4.9%	Up from 3.7%	3.0%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	86.4%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.8%	Up from 94.9%	95.4%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,077	Up 3.5%	\$47,961	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	7.9 days	Down from 16.2 days	9.3 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.4 to 1	Up from 21.7 to 1	21.7 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.8%	Up from 90.8%	90.6%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	97.8%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Excellent	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,389	Down 28.5%	\$6,735	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.1%	Up from 65.9%	66.7%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	52.4%	Down from 56.1%	61.1%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	90.5%	Up from 76.2%	100.0%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	260	114
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.3%	82.6%	97.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	88.4%	93.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	87.0%	85.7%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Pleasant Hill Middle School family is proud to be a Red Carpet School and one of the top-performing middle schools in the state. Administrators and a fully certified staff embraced the challenges of our third year in existence. With eager and positive attitudes, we joined together to create a safe and family-friendly school.

Our school family believes that educating children is a team effort and sets high standards of excellence for our students and for ourselves. Thirty-seven teachers have advanced degrees and 15 are National Board Certified. Our Teacher of the Year was Amanda Grady. We focus on academic progress and emphasize working cooperatively at every grade level and across the spectrum. Our current challenges include rapid student growth and closing the achievement gap within our student population.

PHMS won the second-place silver award of \$3,000 for project S.M.I.L.E. and was recognized as an All-Health Team by WIS-TV and SC DHEC. Our Beta Club inducted 194 new members; 42 members attended the state convention in Myrtle Beach. Forty-six students were named Junior Scholars. The robotics club fielded two school teams and both teams qualified for the state meet. Our chorus, drama and dance classes performed "Annie Jr." with more than 200 students participating. Band and orchestra placed students in the solo ensemble and concert festivals. PHMS athletic teams provided students with opportunities in cheerleading, football, basketball, track, wrestling, volleyball, high school baseball, softball and tennis. The PHMS boys' basketball team, undefeated this year, was named conference champs. Our students enjoyed the intramural program along with 12 student clubs. The student council, Beta Club and the entire student body participated in a variety of service-learning activities. Our service-learning projects included an "empty bowls" dinner, mentoring students at PHES, a toy drive for Palmetto Richland Hospital, and support for Harvest Hope Food Bank, LICs and Adopt-A-Highway. Our first annual Relay For Life Pageant netted more than \$8,000 for the American Cancer Society. Our students volunteered well over 1,600 hours of service to these projects.

At PHMS, technology is integrated into our everyday curriculum. Teachers utilize team planning to integrate the latest instructional and technology strategies into the core subjects. Teachers incorporate the use of LCD projectors, laptops, classroom amplification systems, AirLiner slates, SMART Board interactive whiteboards, document cameras and digital cameras into their classes.

Our wonderful PTSA raised funds for student rewards, field studies and classroom supplies. Our SIC was designated an Honor Roll school this year. The award recognized the PHMS SIC as one of the top SICs in the state. Our SIC continues to be a state leader in advocacy for public schools in South Carolina. As we work together with all stakeholders, we aim to create a partnership and provide decision-making opportunities for students in which they reap the rewards of a warm and supportive learning environment.

Dr. Bill Coon, Principal
Ted Zee, SIC Chair

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