



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**BUENA VISTA ELEMENTARY**  
**Greenville**  
**Grades: K-5** Enrollment: 781  
**Principal: Dr. Ann K. Mohr**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher**  
**Board Chair: Roger Meek**

## 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 |            |                         |
| 2011 | Excellent       | Excellent     | TBD                            | TBD             | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2010 | Excellent       | Excellent     | Gold                           | N/A             | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2009 | Excellent       | Good          | Gold                           | N/A             | Met        | N/A                     |

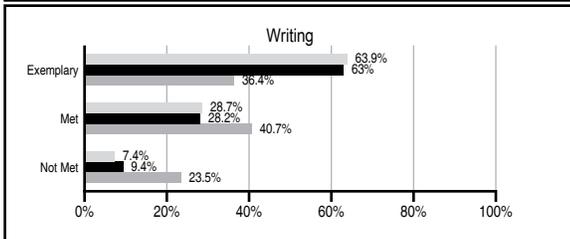
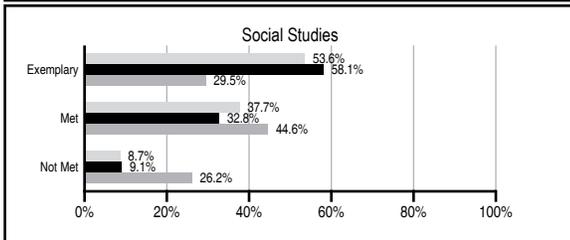
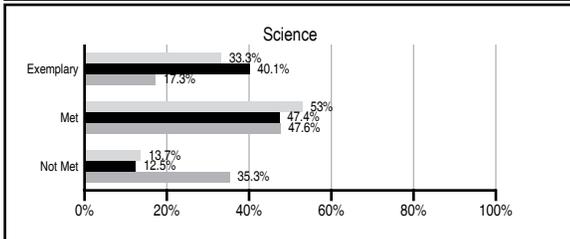
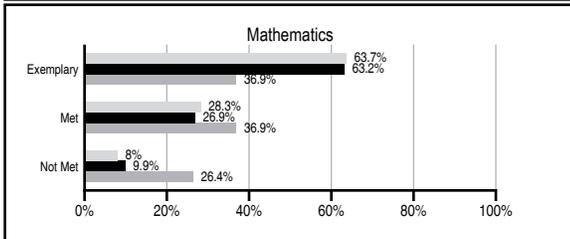
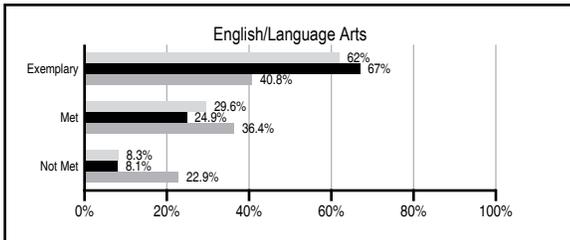
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 15        | 1    | 0       | 0             | 0       |

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. 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 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=781)</b>  |            |                       |  |                          |
| Retention rate   | 1.3%       | Up from 0.7%          | 0.5%                                       | 1.1%                     |
| Attendance rate  | 97.0%      | No Change             | 96.7%                                      | 96.2%                    |
| Served by gifted and talented program  | 32.6%      | Up from 30.3%         | 34.1%                                      | 13.4%                    |
| With disabilities other than speech  | 2.4%       | Down from 6.4%        | 2.6%                                       | 4.1%                     |
| Older than usual for grade   | 0.1%       | Up from 0.0%          | 0.2%                                       | 0.3%                     |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 0.1%       | Up from 0.0%          | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| <b>Teachers (n=40)</b>   |            |                       |  |                          |
| Teachers with advanced degrees   | 60.0%      | Up from 59.1%         | 65.0%                                      | 62.5%                    |
| Continuing contract teachers   | 97.5%      | Up from 93.2%         | 88.3%                                      | 88.2%                    |
| Teachers returning from previous year  | 85.2%      | Up from 85.0%         | 89.0%                                      | 87.8%                    |
| Teacher attendance rate  | 95.8%      | Down from 97.6%       | 95.6%                                      | 95.2%                    |
| Average teacher salary*  | \$44,404   | Down 2.0%             | \$48,486                                   | \$46,773                 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                              | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| Professional development days/teacher  | 6.1 days   | Down from 8.4 days    | 8.0 days                                   | 10.5 days                |
| <b>School</b>  |            |                       |  |                          |
| Principal's years at school  | 9.0        | Up from 8.0           | 5.0  | 4.0                      |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 23.2 to 1  | Up from 23.1 to 1     | 21.9 to 1                                  | 19.9 to 1                |
| Prime instructional time   | 93.5%      | Down from 95.0%       | 91.6%                                      | 90.4%                    |
| Opportunities in the arts  | Good       | No Change             | Good                                       | Good                     |
| SACS accreditation   | Yes        | No Change             | Yes  | Yes                      |
| Parents attending conferences  | 99.6%      | Up from 99.3%         | 99.8%                                      | 100.0%                   |
| Character development program  | Good       | Down from Excellent   | Excellent                                  | Excellent                |
| Dollars spent per pupil**  | \$5,280    | Down 3.0%             | \$6,529                                    | \$7,447                  |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 65.8%      | Down from 69.1%       | 68.8%                                      | 68.4%                    |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**                               | 64.6%      | Down from 65.9%       | 68.8%                                      | 65.8%                    |
| % of AYP objectives met  | 100.0%     | No Change             | 100.0%                                     | 90.5%                    |

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

|  | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 36       | 126       | 90       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 91.7%    | 93.6%     | 88.8%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 94.3%    | 93.6%     | 93.1%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 97.2%    | 92.1%     | 88.8%    |

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

### GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Buena Vista Elementary staff strives for continuous improvement in instructional delivery and student performance. Three main goals guide all actions. 1) Students will master grade level standards in Mathematics, English Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies 2) A safe, orderly, and inviting learning environment will be provided for students, staff, and the community 3) Improve student learning and achievement through the use of technology. These goals were written to address specific areas of need identified in the school and to correlate with the school district's Education Plan. Progress towards achieving the goals is monitored by the staff and the School Improvement Council.

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Our school was named a Palmetto Gold School of Excellence by the state department of education. Our goal is to enable all students to reach exemplary levels of performance in all subject areas. Our PTA was honored by having the state PTA Volunteer of the year selected from its group of parents. The SIC implemented an Early Riser club for students at risk from 7:30-8:00 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the computer lab. These students gained a positive relationship with a caring adult and needed remediation time.

### PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Buena Vista Elementary will continue to implement continuous improvement strategies for performance excellence. Staff development will focus on building leadership and character development in our students. The staff will continue to pursue professional learning communities on grade level teams. The collection and analysis of student data will allow the staff a more precise picture of areas of strength in the curriculum and those areas needing more emphasis.

Ann K. Mohr, PhD  
Principal

Jenny Reilly  
SIC Chairperson

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