



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

JAMES J DAVIS ELEMENTARY
Beaufort County
Grades: PK-K Enrollment: 167
Principal: Donald D. Doggett
Superintendent: Dr. Valerie Truesdale
Board Chair: Fred Washington

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	N/A	N/A	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Met	CSI-DELAY
2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	CSI

ABSOLUTE RATING OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

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

*Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/03/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Primary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PRIME INSTRUCTIONAL TIME

Our School	Median Primary School
87.5%	89.6%

STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO IN CORE SUBJECTS

Our School	Median Primary School
7.6 to 1	20.0 to 1

TEACHERS WITH ADVANCED DEGREES

Our School	Median Primary School
36.4%	62.9%

TEACHERS RETURNING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

Our School	Median Primary School
N/A	89.9%

PERCENT OF PARENTS ATTENDING CONFERENCES

Our School	Median Primary School
100.0%	100.0%

DAYS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT*

Our School	Median Primary School
. days	12.7 days

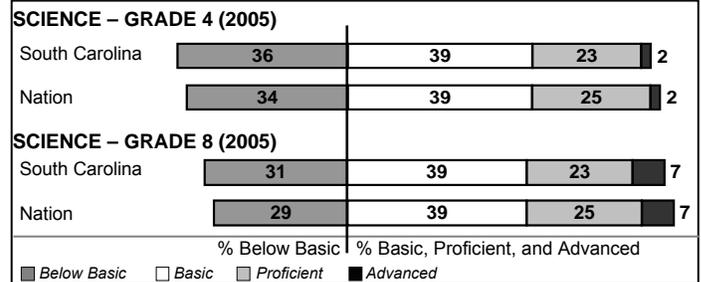
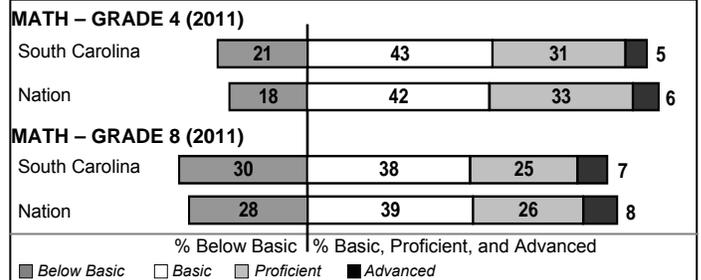
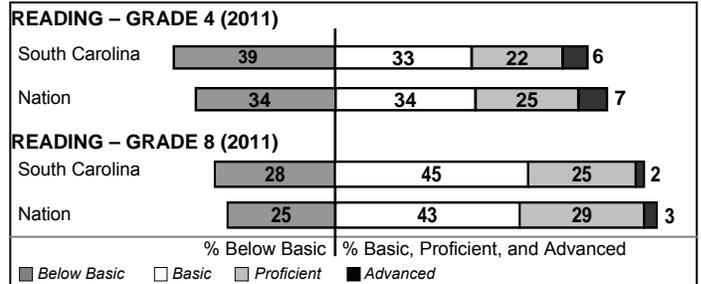
*Professional development days should be devoted exclusively to knowledge and skills in working with children less than eight years old.

Types Of Accreditation (More Than One May Apply)

- Not pursuing accreditation
- Conducting a self-study
- South Carolina Department of Education
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- American Montessori Society
- National Association for the Education of Young Children

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

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	Primary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Primary School
Students (n=167)				
Retention rate	N/A	N/A	4.2%	3.1%
Attendance rate	95.4%	Down from 96.6%	95.1%	95.3%
With disabilities other than speech	0.0%	Down from 0.6%	1.1%	0.8%
Older than usual for grade	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=11)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	36.4%	Down from 57.1%	60.3%	62.9%
Continuing contract teachers	54.5%	Down from 71.4%	87.8%	90.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	89.2%	89.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 99.9%	95.0%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,923	Down 13.7%	\$44,162	\$46,658
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	11.5 days	Down from 18.6 days	12.3 days	15.7 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	4.5	6.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	7.6 to 1	Down from 15.6 to 1	18.3 to 1	20.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.5%	Down from 92.6%	89.0%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Below Average	Down from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$11,245	Up 1.1%	\$7,218	\$7,129
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	59.6%	Down from 60.7%	70.1%	69.6%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	56.7%	Down from 56.9%	66.9%	66.4%
% of AYP objectives met	60.0%	Down from 100.0%	73.8%	94.1%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers
Number of surveys returned	N/A
Percent satisfied with learning environment	N/A
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	N/A
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	N/A

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Whale Branch Elementary School has had an outstanding school year. The merger of Whale Branch Elementary and James J Davis Elementary has been completed.

We continued our extended school year with the addition of twenty days of instruction designed to increase student achievement. James J Davis Early Learning Center and Whale Branch Elementary achieved AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) in the 2009-2010 school year. MAP scores continue to be up on each grade level and the level of rigor has also been increased school-wide. We are above national MAP averages in several areas. Our wonderful staff worked with parents to focus instruction on pinpointed areas of need for our students based on the MAP test. Weekly planning meetings, a 200 day calendar, after school activities, Saturday Academy, parent sessions, Parent University, Student Celebrations for Academic Improvement on MAP tests and active involvement from PTO and SIC served to promote our school mission and goals.

The teacher and parent members of the School Improvement Council engaged in the development of our strategic plan which focused on raising academic achievement in the area of social studies and science.

As a Red Carpet Award winner, Whale Branch Elementary School and James J. Davis Early Learning Center have made customer service a top priority. Students, parents and community members have begun to feel that our school is truly a community school and that it belongs to each stakeholder.

All students and staff were involved in community service projects during the 2010-2011 school year learning about the importance of citizenship and contributing to the community at large. Students raised funds for American Cancer Society and CAPA. With the support of the Kiwanis Club, we were able to continue our K-kids program that supports school wide service efforts. Students and Staff were involved in Relay for Life. Our students completed studies about Fire Safety, readers' theatre, habitats, and mining. The school enjoyed grant funding for an after-school program.

All students received books at Christmas time provided through Title I funding. Students in Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten received additional books through Reading is Fundamental (RIF) and parents received tips on how to work and read with their children at home. Students were also able to select books at different times during the school year to increase their personal libraries at home.

Whale Branch Elementary School continued working with the Teacher Advancement Program (TAP) with ongoing professional development in the areas of effective teaching strategies and best practices. Staff development was provided in balanced literary, guided reading, differentiation, and Every Day Math. Professional development will continue during the 2011-12 school year with a focus on small group reading, curriculum mapping, and formative assessments.

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Latoya Scott, SIC Chairperson

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