



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Aiken Elementary
Aiken
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 807
Principal: Rebecca M. Koelker
Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt
Board Chair: Ms. Rosemary B. English

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	A	Focus
2011	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2010	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	Silver	Met	N/A

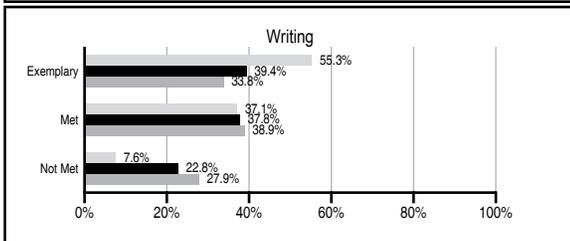
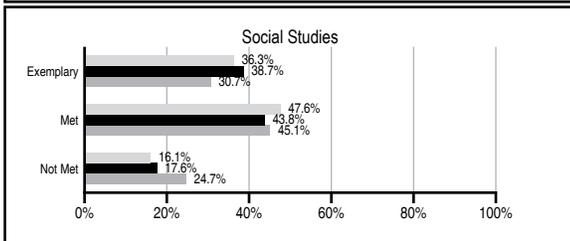
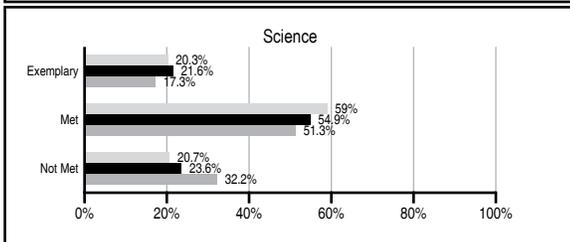
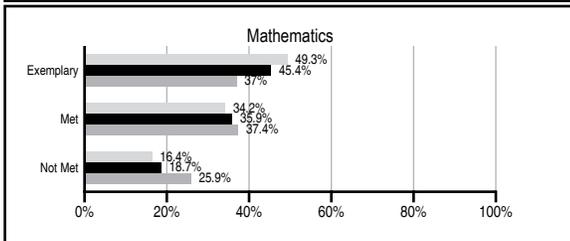
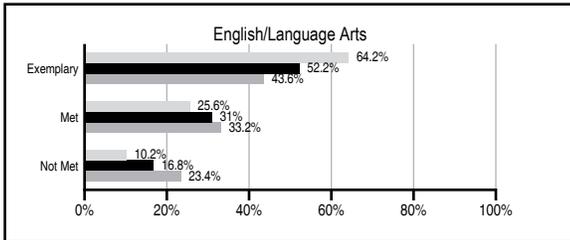
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
47	26	9	1	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. 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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Aiken Elementary [Aiken]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=807)				
Retention rate	1.7%	Up from 1.4%	0.9%	1.0%
Attendance rate	97.3%	Up from 96.5%	96.8%	96.6%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=49)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.1%	Up from 52.0%	63.4%	63.0%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	92.9%	Up from 91.7%	90.4%	88.7%
Teacher attendance rate	93.7%	Down from 94.1%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,808	Up 3.3%	\$48,689	\$47,210
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	7.3 days	Down from 18.4 days	10.9 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 13.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.2 to 1	Down from 22.3 to 1	20.2 to 1	20.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.6%	Down from 89.7%	90.6%	90.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	93.6%	Down from 99.2%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,197	Up 11.4%	\$6,867	\$7,247
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.0%	Down from 73.4%	68.2%	68.2%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	70.0%	Up from 69.7%	66.2%	65.7%
ESEA composite index score	91.1	N/A	95.0	91.9

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Aiken Elementary is a student-centered, high-achieving, award winning school serving over 800 students from pre-school to fifth grade. Our school has an outstanding staff dedicated to helping all students grow and succeed. We have enjoyed continued support from our parents and the community. Our PTA Board and School Improvement Council are instrumental in our planning and improvement process. Our awards are numerous: National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, Palmetto's Finest, South Carolina Dept. of Education Red Carpet School, and many Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards, including a Gold and Silver Award for 2011-2012. Sustained high student achievement, based upon providing a rigorous standards-based curriculum, is a trademark of our school. The teachers and staff at Aiken Elementary work collaboratively to ensure consistency of learning across and within grade levels and content areas. We believe service learning and service to our community are important aspects of our offerings to students. These are vehicles for our students to learn good citizenship and compassion for others. Innovative learning experiences are a part of every day. Increasing the amount and effectiveness of technology for our students and staff has been a focus for us this year. Aiken Elementary is now a completely wireless building with multiple computer labs, iPads, iPods, and interactive white boards in every classroom. The technology plan has several long term goals and we are well on our way to providing cutting edge technology to every student and staff member every day. Aiken Elementary is a school of excellence. Aiken Elementary is a community school. Aiken Elementary is a school to be proud of. We are the Lightning Bolts. We are enlightening and we are dedicated to the enlightenment for our students, staff and community.

Rebecca M. Koelker, Principal
Paula Simmons, SIC Chairperson

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	49	138	72
Percent satisfied with learning environment	98.0%	79.6%	94.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.9%	75.9%	88.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.9%	88.1%	88.7%

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

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NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status