



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

North Charleston Elementary  
 Charleston County School District  
 Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 562  
 Principal: Cindy Saulsberry  
 Superintendent: Dr. Nancy J. McGinley  
 Board Chair: Mr. Chris Fraser

## 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 | Below Average   | Below Average | TBD                            | TBD             | F   | N/A                      |
| 2011 | Below Average   | Average       | N/A                            | N/A             | Not Met                                   | N/A                      |
| 2010 | Below Average   | Average       | N/A                            | N/A             | Met                                       | N/A                      |

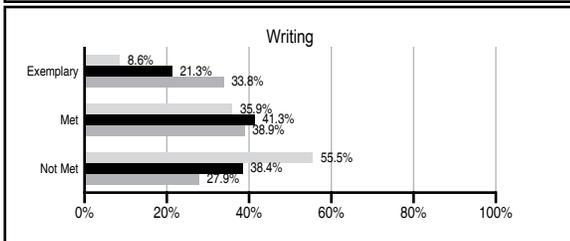
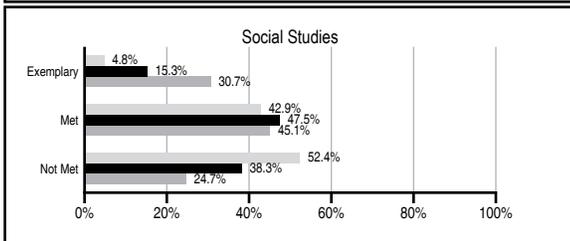
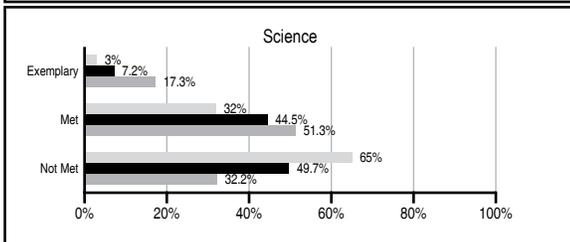
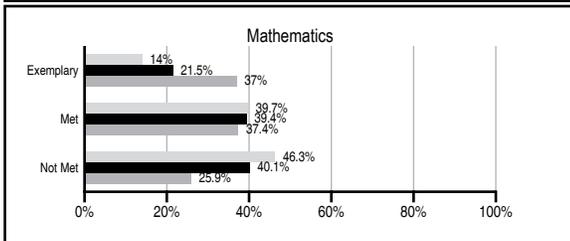
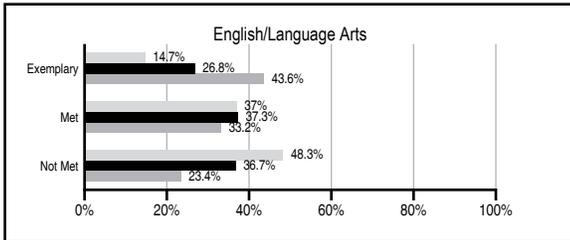
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 2         | 9    | 77      | 47            | 19      |

\* 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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**[Charleston County School District]**

**SCHOOL PROFILE**

|  | Our School | Change from Last Year | Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours | Median Elementary School |
|--|------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|
| <b>Students (n=562)</b>  |            |                       |  |                          |
| Retention rate   | 0.0%       | No Change             | 1.3%                                       | 1.0%                     |
| Attendance rate  | 97.3%      | Up from 95.5%         | 96.3%                                      | 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 | 0.5%       | Down from 1.0%        | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| <b>Teachers (n=48)</b>   |            |                       |  |                          |
| Teachers with advanced degrees   | 50.0%      | No Change             | 62.5%                                      | 63.0%                    |
| Continuing contract teachers   | N/AV       | N/AV                  | N/AV                                       | N/AV                     |
| Teachers returning from previous year  | 74.5%      | Down from 76.9%       | 85.3%                                      | 88.7%                    |
| Teacher attendance rate  | 98.3%      | Up from 96.4%         | 95.5%                                      | 95.1%                    |
| Average teacher salary*  | \$41,222   | Down 1.1%             | \$44,941                                   | \$47,210                 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                              | 7.9%       | Up from 3.4%          | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| Professional development days/teacher  | 7.7 days   | Down from 14.3 days   | 9.6 days                                   | 10.5 days                |
| <b>School</b>  |            |                       |  |                          |
| Principal's years at school  | 1.0        | Down from 4.0         | 4.0  | 4.0                      |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 15.8 to 1  | Down from 16.9 to 1   | 18.0 to 1                                  | 20.0 to 1                |
| Prime instructional time   | 95.4%      | Up from 91.6%         | 90.6%                                      | 90.5%                    |
| Opportunities in the arts  | Good       | No Change             | Good                                       | Good                     |
| SACS accreditation   | No         | No Change             | Yes  | Yes                      |
| Parents attending conferences  | 99.9%      | Down from 100.0%      | 100.0%                                     | 100.0%                   |
| Character development program  | Excellent  | No Change             | Excellent                                  | Excellent                |
| Dollars spent per pupil**  | \$8,614    | Down 10.5%            | \$8,386                                    | \$7,247                  |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 70.9%      | No Change             | 66.0%                                      | 68.2%                    |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**                               | 69.8%      | Up from 68.9%         | 62.9%                                      | 65.7%                    |
| ESEA composite index score   | 37.6       | N/A                   | 81.8                                       | 91.9                     |

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

**REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL**

North Charleston Elementary is a Title One school currently striving to move forward in areas of literacy and overall academic achievement. We are doing this through a variety of school-based initiatives to include classroom activities, such as RIT-based instructional groups, data-driven decision making, action-based learning, mastery Teaching Model, implementation of higher order thinking skills and thinking maps, and additional classroom teacher positions to allow smaller class sizes. We have also employed a variety of interventions including Wilson reading, Read Well, Number Worlds, and Voyager. This year's school-wide initiatives also include after-school tutoring for students in the 30th to 40th percentile on Measures of Academic Progress, reading incentive activities to promote literacy at home, and parent tutorial workshops to promote increased academic participation by parents and community members.

North Charleston Elementary has a community involvement partnership with Communities in Schools. This allows a variety of resources including mentors, lunch buddies, social-skills groups, Coast Guard volunteers, community volunteers and outreach programs. We have achieved strong community and family involvement by providing programs such as Parent University, an active School Improvement Council, and PTA. Being a Trident United Way Links to Success site also provides additional support for our families through partnerships with Communities in Schools, the Department of Mental Health, the Low Country Food Bank, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Reading Soul Mates. Partnerships with the local Rotary Club, North Charleston United Methodist Church, and Mount Moriah Baptist Church provide extra academic and social support.

Shavonna Coakley, Interim Principal  
 Christina Dennard, SIC Chairperson

**EVALUATION RESULTS**

|  | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 18       | 83        | 56       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 50.0%    | 85.5%     | 79.6%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 72.2%    | 80.5%     | 82.7%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 38.9%    | 80.5%     | 84.6%    |

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

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