



## Forestbrook Elementary School

4000 Panther Parkway  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29526

<b>Grades</b>	PK-5 Elementary School	
<b>Enrollment</b>	861 Students	
<b>Principal</b>	Johnny Calder	843-236-8100
<b>Superintendent</b>	Dr. Cynthia Elsberry	843-488-6700
<b>Board Chair</b>	Joe DeFeo	843-222-5912

# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2013 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD



## RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
<b>2013</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>
2012	Excellent	Excellent
2011	Excellent	Excellent
2010	Excellent	Excellent
2009	Excellent	Excellent

## DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

## SOUTH CAROLINA 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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**Percent of Student PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating**

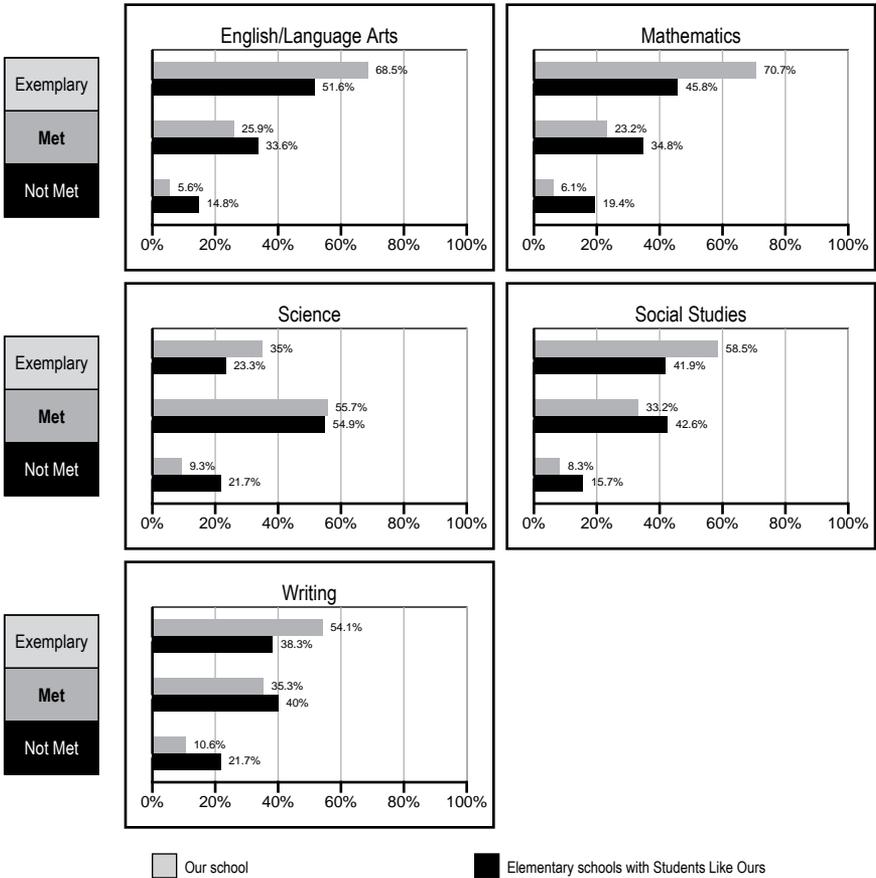
Percent of students tested in 2012-13 whose 2011-12 test scores were located | 96.6%

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

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
44	37	10	0	1

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 12/14/2013.

**Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS)**



\* Elementary schools with Students Like Ours are elementary schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

**Definition of Critical Terms**

Exemplary	"Exemplary" means the student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means the student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" means that the student did not meet the grade level standard.

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## School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
<b>Students (n=861)</b>				
First graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention rate	1.4%	Down from 1.5%	0.8%	0.9%
Attendance rate	97.4%	Up from 97.3%	96.4%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	13.0%	N/A	9.6%	7.2%
With disabilities	13.0%	N/A	11.7%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	0.8%	N/A	1.4%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=58)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.1%	Down from 64.3%	65.1%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	87.9%	Up from 87.5%	86.8%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.0%	Up from 92.9%	89.7%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	95.2%	Down from 95.6%	95.2%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$53,202	Down 1.8%	\$50,175	\$48,193
Professional development days/teacher	14.7 days	No Change	12.0 days	11.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	20.0	Up from 19.0	6.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.9 to 1	Up from 21.6 to 1	20.7 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.4%	Down from 90.8%	90.5%	90.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,962	Up 3.2%	\$6,964	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.0%	Down from 71.1%	69.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.0%	Up from 65.6%	67.0%	66.0%

\* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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## Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Forestbrook Elementary School's family experienced many successes during the 2012-2013 school year. We were named a National Blue Ribbon recipient for the third time in 12 years, recognized again by the State's Education Oversight Committee as a school that is Closing the Gap for historically underachieving student groups, and named a Palmetto Gold School by the SC Department of Education. Rhetta Greene, a special education teacher, was named a semi-finalist for Horry County School's Teacher of the Year. We also had a very successful year with our service-learning program, which is led by our student council. This year alone, we were able to provide aid to some of our Forestbrook families who were experiencing difficulty. We also participated in the March of Dimes Walk, where we raised over \$30,000 making our total over \$250,000 for the past ten years. This accomplishment made us the top fundraising school in the state and one of the top schools in the nation for five consecutive years.

The top priority at Forestbrook Elementary School is academic achievement. We continue to strive to move each and every student to higher levels of learning. With our continued use of the Northwest Evaluation Association's Measures of Academic Progress (MAP), we are able to continually study strengths and weaknesses of each child and chart individual courses of success. Our task is to analyze where our students showed growth, why the growth occurred, and utilize research-based curriculum and instruction decisions so all of our children are academically challenged. Conversely, we must investigate what changes need to be made and where expectations were not met, so that we ensure success for all students in their efforts to reach their maximum potential.

Forestbrook Elementary's recent renovation and construction of a new media center, multi-purpose center, computer labs, and several classrooms have given us much needed space. The commitment of all stakeholders in the Forestbrook community has assisted in our student achievement being among the best in the state. We are very proud of our accomplishments and hope that you will share in our pride. Forestbrook Elementary School will continue to deliver award-winning programs and a world-class curriculum that allows all students to build the foundation needed to enable them to become successful lifelong achievers. This report card is a call to action for everyone to be involved in our continuing efforts to constantly improve. Thank you for your support and for sharing the responsibility of the success of our students, of our school, and of our community.

Johnny Calder, Principal  
Donna Parks, School Improvement Council Chairperson

## Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	57	130	76
Percent satisfied with learning environment	98.3%	100%	100%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%	99.3%	97.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100%	99.3%	98.7%

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

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## ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System

In July 2013, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/esea/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

<b>Overall Weighted Points Total</b>	<b>99.4</b>
<b>Overall Grade Conversion</b>	<b>A</b>

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the state's expectations

## Accountability Indicator for Title I Schools

Forestbrook Elementary School school has been designated as a:

- Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
- Title I Reward School for Progress – one of the schools with substantial progress in student subgroups.
- Title I Focus School – one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
- Title I Priority School – one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
- Title I School – does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
- Non-Title I School – therefore the designations above are not applicable.

## Teacher Quality and Student Attendance

	<b>Our District</b>	<b>State</b>
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.6%	2.3%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.6%	4.9%

	<b>Our School</b>	<b>State Objective</b>	<b>Met State Objective</b>
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.5%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	97.4%	94.0%*	Yes

\* Or greater than last year

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Performance By Group

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested
<b>Grades 3-5</b>						
All Students	694.1	695.4	654.1	678.2	99.8	99.8
Male	686.9	691.9	651.1	681.5	99.6	99.6
Female	703.0	699.6	657.8	674.2	100.0	100.0
White	697.7	698.6	656.2	679.0	99.7	99.7
African American	679.6	671.3	641.0	664.2	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	680.2	688.7	641.8	670.2	100.0	100.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disabled	659.0	649.4	618.9	646.1	100.0	100.0
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0
Subsidized meals	684.4	682.3	642.5	668.7	99.6	99.6
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	635.0	635.0	635.0	635.0	95.0	95.0

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## PASS Performance By Grade Level

	Grade	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met or Exemplary
<b>English/Language Arts</b>							
<b>2012</b>	3	145	100	7.2	8	84.8	92.8
	4	149	100	6.4	35.7	57.9	93.6
	5	132	100	4.7	32.3	63	95.3
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>2013</b>	3	134	100	3.4	16	80.7	96.6
	4	154	100	5.6	29.2	65.3	94.4
	5	157	99.4	6.7	30.9	62.4	93.3
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Mathematics</b>							
<b>2012</b>	3	145	100	5.8	8	86.2	94.2
	4	149	99.3	5	24.5	70.5	95
	5	132	99.2	6.3	21.4	72.2	93.7
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>2013</b>	3	134	100	7.6	23.5	68.9	92.4
	4	154	100	2.1	22.2	75.7	97.9
	5	157	99.4	8.1	24.2	67.8	91.9
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Science</b>							
<b>2012</b>	3	72	100	16.2	32.4	51.5	83.8
	4	149	99.3	5.8	72.7	21.6	94.2
	5	66	98.5	12.9	54.8	32.3	87.1
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>2013</b>	3	68	100	13.3	33.3	53.3	86.7
	4	154	100	6.9	57.6	35.4	93.1
	5	80	100	10.5	69.7	19.7	89.5
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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PASS Performance By Grade Level

	Grade	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met or Exemplary
<b>Social Studies</b>							
<b>2012</b>	3	74	100	8.5	23.9	67.6	91.5
	4	149	98.7	5.1	39.1	55.8	94.9
	5	66	100	7.8	39.1	53.1	92.2
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>2013</b>	3	66	100	10.2	37.3	52.5	89.8
	4	154	100	2.8	31.3	66	97.2
	5	77	98.7	16.4	34.2	49.3	83.6
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Writing</b>							
<b>2012</b>	3	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	131	99.2	5.6	27.8	66.7	94.4
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>2013</b>	3	131	99.2	6.8	24.6	68.6	93.2
	4	153	100	7.6	36.8	55.6	92.4
	5	158	99.4	15.3	42.7	42	84.7
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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