



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Tamasee-Salem Elementary School  
 Oconee  
 Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 244  
 Principal: Lisa Simmons  
 Superintendent: Dr. Mike Lucas  
 Board Chair: Andy Inabinet

## 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
2013	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	A	N/A
2012	Good	Excellent	Gold	Silver	A	N/A
2011	Good	Average	Silver	N/A	Met	N/A

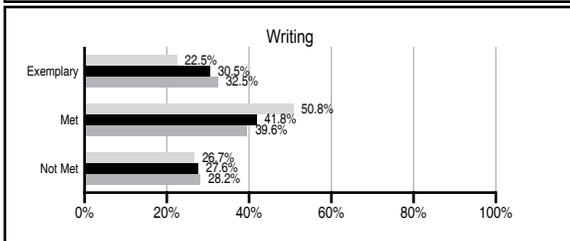
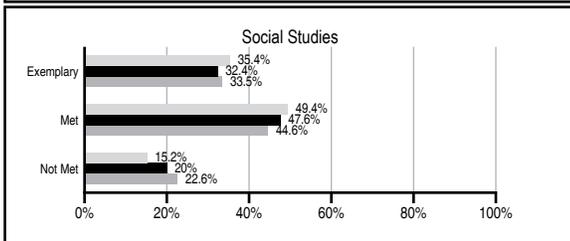
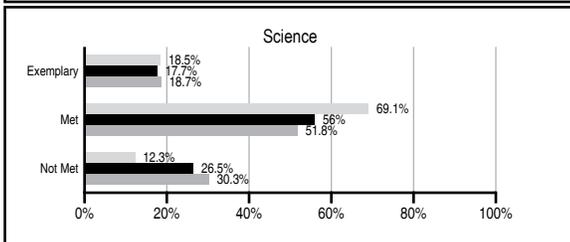
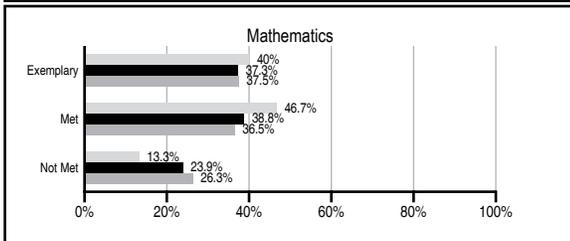
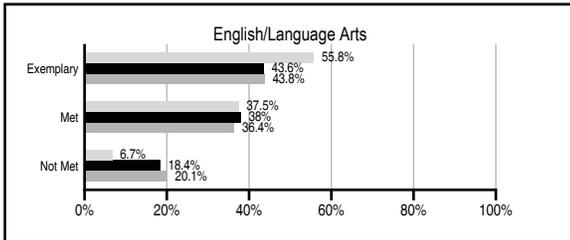
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
18	45	53	0	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. 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.*

### Abbreviations Key

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# Tamassee-Salem Elementary School [Oconee]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
<b>Students (n=244)</b>				
Retention rate	5.3%	Up from 4.2%	1.2%	0.9%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Down from 96.9%	96.2%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	6.8%	N/A	7.6%	7.2%
With disabilities	20.1%	N/A	13.7%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	6.8%	N/A	2.2%	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=22)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.0%	No Change	61.5%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	95.5%	Down from 95.8%	85.7%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.8%	Down from 93.3%	89.3%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	93.8%	Up from 89.0%	94.7%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,734	Up 2.5%	\$48,740	\$48,193
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	12.4 days	Up from 9.8 days	11.0 days	11.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 3.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.7 to 1	Up from 19.3 to 1	20.1 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.4%	Up from 84.7%	89.8%	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	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,965	Up 3.4%	\$7,239	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	63.0%	Down from 63.1%	68.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.0%	Down from 60.1%	66.0%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	99.2	Up from 96.0	88.2	88.0

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	22	40	25
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100%	100%	100%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%	92.5%	96%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.5%	92.5%	96%

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Tamassee-Salem Elementary School is a 4K – 5th grade school that serves 266 students. The mission of Tamassee-Salem Elementary is to provide a safe learning environment where all students reach their full potential. We are very excited about the accomplishments of our students and staff during the 2012 - 2013 school year! Our school met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as defined by the No Child Left Behind Legislation. We were also recognized by the state as a Palmetto Gold Award winning school for general performance and Palmetto Silver Award winning school for closing the achievement gap. The continued analysis of our state testing and Measuring Academic Progress (MAP) data allows us to reflect upon our instructional strategies so we can be assured we are meeting the needs of all of our students. Our MAP scores continue to meet or exceed the district and national averages. Professional development and increasing student use of technology are also key components in our success.

The academic success and well-being of our students are always the chief factors in decision making at our school. We pride ourselves on offering a welcoming and safe environment not only to our students, but also to our families. Our school is accredited by the South Carolina Council on Accreditation and School Improvement along with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Our students participated in before school activities, such as reading and math computer labs, chorus, Boom Taka, and Cougar Leaders. Our 4th and 5th graders are also given the opportunity to participate in an art club after school. Some of our chorus members participated in the annual district wide Mayfest Choral Performance. Many of our students were also invited to participate in the K - 5 Annual Artist Exhibit at the Blue Ridge Arts Association. Chick-Fil-A of Seneca continues to be our business partner for character education and monthly spirit nights. Subway also became a business partner this school year. Funds raised through our Subway spirit nights went toward our Math and Science Night, which was our first School Improvement Council sponsored event. Our students, staff, and families continue to have the opportunities to participate in service projects. Our Relay for Life team raised money for the American Cancer Society and the students participated in Jump Rope for Heart to raise money for the American Heart Association.

As you can see, Tamassee-Salem Elementary School has numerous accomplishments to be proud of. These accomplishments are only possible because of the dedication of our staff, students, and families. We appreciate the support of our community who volunteer many hours to our students. It is truly a team effort!  
 Lisa Simmons, Principal  
 Tricia Burgess, SIC Chair

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