



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blue Ridge Elementary  
 Oconee  
 Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 632  
 Principal: Idasa M. Cobb  
 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	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	F	N/A
2012	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2011	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

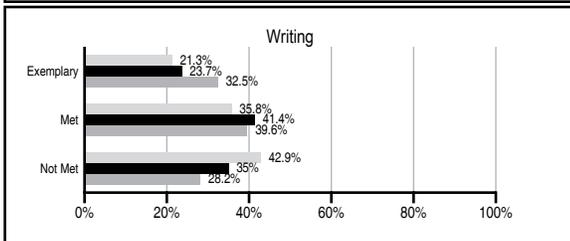
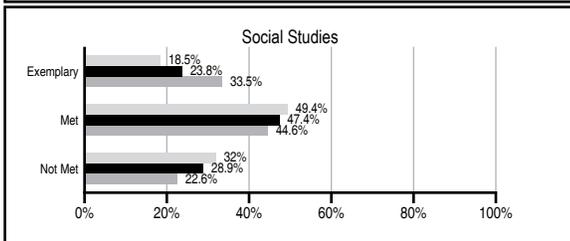
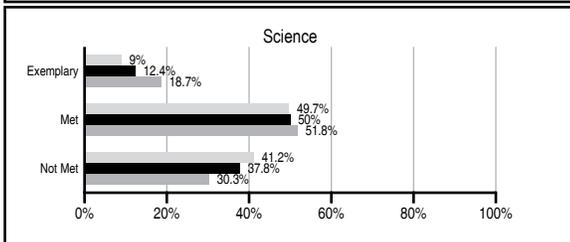
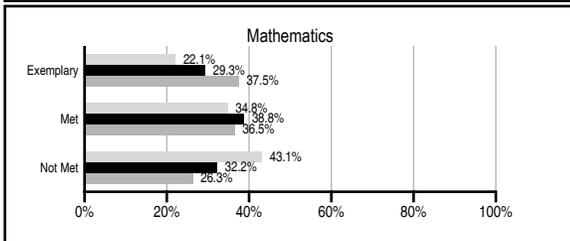
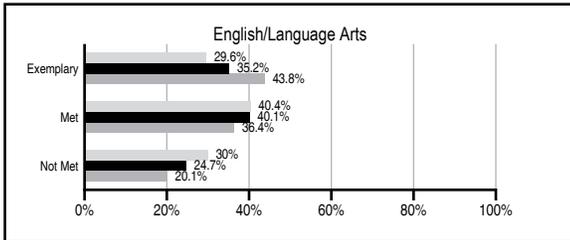
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
10	15	95	16	3

\* 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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# Blue Ridge Elementary [Oconee]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
<b>Students (n=632)</b>				
Retention rate	1.6%	Up from 1.3%	1.2%	0.9%
Attendance rate	96.5%	Down from 96.8%	96.0%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	5.4%	N/A	4.8%	7.2%
With disabilities	17.3%	N/A	14.1%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	2.5%	N/A	2.6%	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=57)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	63.2%	Down from 65.5%	60.7%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	84.2%	Down from 90.9%	82.8%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.0%	N/A	87.5%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	93.0%	Up from 91.3%	94.7%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,772	Up 0.6%	\$47,303	\$48,193
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	2.3 days	Down from 9.7 days	11.0 days	11.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.1 to 1	Up from 19.1 to 1	19.5 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.0%	Up from 86.4%	89.6%	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**	\$9,481	Down 3.7%	\$7,511	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.0%	Up from 72.4%	68.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	70.0%	No Change	65.0%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	51.2	Down from 75.5	80.2	88.0

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Blue Ridge Elementary School family of students, faculty, staff, parents, and community rallied for a fantastic 2012-13 school year. Our staff collaborated to address academic strengths and weaknesses by implementing data teams to improve teaching practices and student achievement. One of our instructional goals included the implementation of HPLCs (High Progress Literacy Classrooms). Students in HPLCs improved in the areas of Reading and Language Usage on the MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) assessment.

As we journeyed through the year, the Blue Ridge Elementary School family was honored to receive many accolades and recognitions including 2013 Safe Schools Award. Blue Ridge is a recipient of United Way "School of the Year" Award, Lowe's Toolbox Grant, Staples Field Trip Grant, and iSTEM Innovation Grant, in addition to scholarships from local business and industry in our community. Our students also earned 1st place in the spirit competition at Special Olympics at Clemson University, as well as placing in the Regional Science Fair at Southern Wesleyan University. Blue Ridge Elementary continues to have great support from its community and local universities.

Additionally, our partnership with Clemson University's Call Me Mister Program afforded us an additional summer program for rising 3rd-5th graders. Our school year ended with an Early Childhood summer program, "Ready, Set, Go!" for rising Kindergarten and 1st grade students that focused on Early Literacy and Math. We have had a productive year and are looking forward to the many rewards of the 2013-2014 school year!

Blue Ridge Elementary School is gifted with a superb faculty, staff, parents, and community that continue to focus on student learning.

Idasa M. Cobb, Principal  
Dr. Atieno Ragwar, School Improvement Council Chair

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	46	88	47
Percent satisfied with learning environment	73.9%	94.3%	89.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	80.9%	89.7%	89.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	74.4%	86.4%	85.1%

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

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