

Thornwell School for the Arts

437 West Carolina Avenue
Hartsville, SC 29550

Grades	1-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	381 Students	
Principal	Julie J. Mahn	843-383-3127
Superintendent	Dr. Eddie Ingram	843-398-5100
Board Chair	Warren Jeffords	843-326-5970

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Average	At-Risk
2013	Average	Average
2012	Average	Average
2011	Average	Average
2010	Average	Average

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.

<http://ed.sc.gov>
<http://www.eoc.sc.gov>

Percent of Student SC PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating

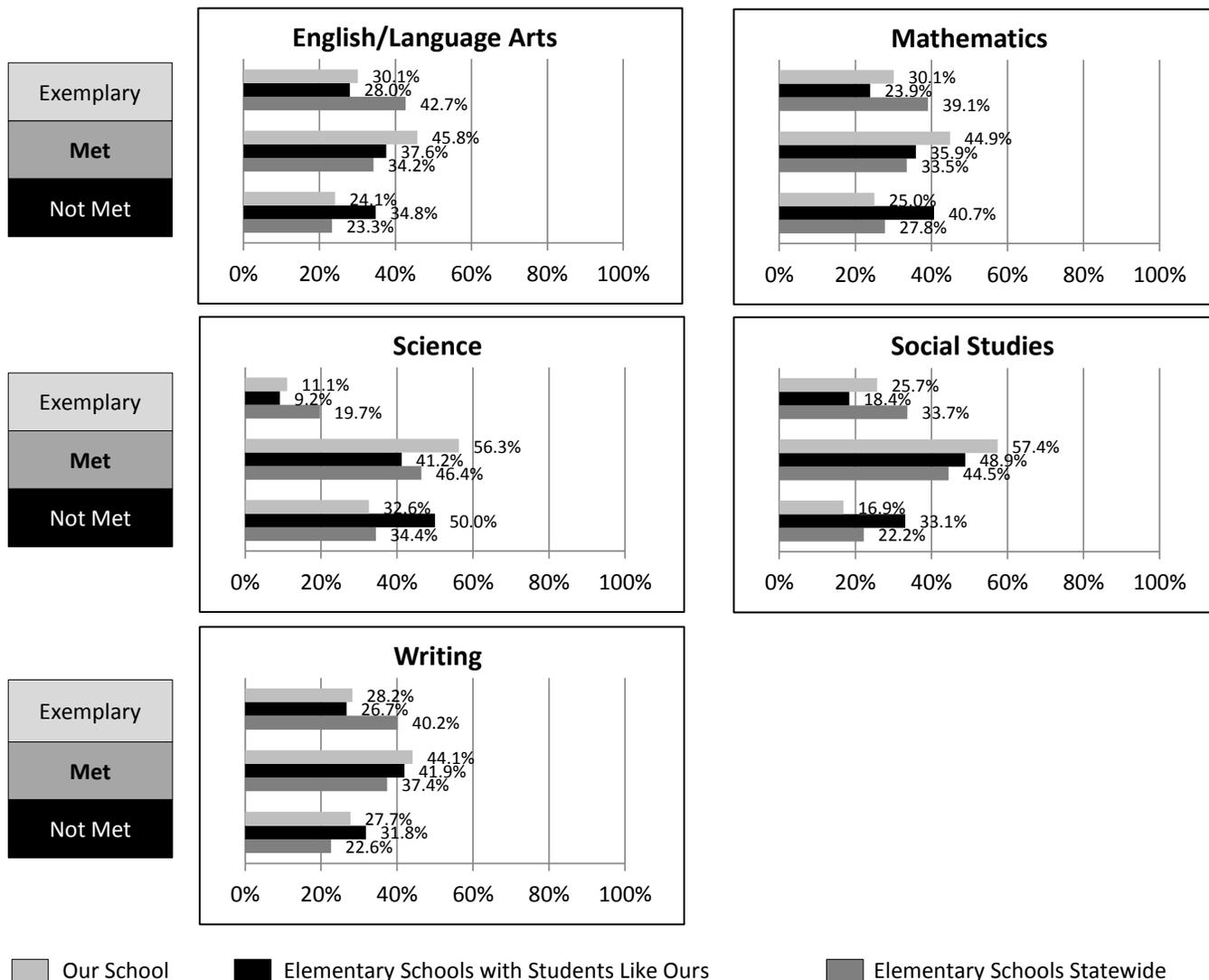
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 98.6%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
4	11	130	46	15

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015.

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC 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 student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" means that the student did not meet the grade level standard.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n = 381)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	2.9%	Down from 3.1%	1.6%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.0%	Up from 95.9%	96.0%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	16.5%	Up from 14.4%	3.3%	7.3%
With disabilities	15.2%	Up from 12.7%	13.6%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	5.3%	Down from 7.0%	2.7%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 24)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	58.3%	Up from 52.4%	60.0%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	66.7%	Down from 71.4%	75.8%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	82.9%	Up from 77.0%	84.4%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	97.4%	Up from 96.2%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$42,645	Up 3.9%	\$46,132	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	25.2 days	Up from 10.1 days	10.7 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.0 to 1	Down from 24.7 to 1	18.7 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.5%	Up from 90.8%	90.3%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Fair	Down from Excellent	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**	\$6,432	Down 7.0%	\$8,243	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.3%	Down from 62.0%	65.7%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.7%	Up from 59.0%	64.8%	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

Thornwell School for the Arts is proud to be a part of the Darlington County School District. A progressive district invested in the arts and committed to the programs in each school. Thornwell is a unique school nestled in the center of town. With a population of about 400 students in grades 1-5, this arts integrated school exposes children to the visual and performing arts.

The Thornwell PTO, business partners, mentors and staff contribute to the energy and commitment to academic success for all students at Thornwell. During the 2013-2014 school year the school was recognized in the top 3 for Title I Schools of Progress by the state based on academic progress. In addition to our academic successes, we were participants of the documentary developed by PBS and SCETV, 180 Days. We obtained funding from several grants to provide enrichment opportunities for our students and families. This was also supported by the implementation programs to support our students' personal and cultural experiences. Our students have opportunities to be involved in the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Good News Club, Recycling Program, TSA Chorus and Art Club.

Besides the awesome academic achievements many exciting activities were held throughout the year for the students and their families at the Thornwell School for the Arts. Several music performances including winter performances and a Black History Month Program delighted all who attended. The magnet students are 3rd-5th grade students whom focus on strings and the performing arts. The string's students amazed audiences with their talent. These students also performed Disney's, Pinocchio, Jr. to several sold out shows. Students at all grade levels participated in a talent show. Perhaps, the funniest and the wettest day of the year, "Fun in the Sun" Day, marked the end of the school year and testing. Without a doubt, Thornwell school for the Arts is "Setting the Stage for Excellence" for all students today and in years to come. We welcome you with open arms to be on this stage and to assist us in making our students dreams come true.

Julie J. Mahn, Principal

Janet Davis, SIC

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	22	68	23
Percent satisfied with learning environment	86.4%	80.9%	91.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.4%	67.2%	87.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.2%	79.1%	78.2%

* 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.

Overall Weighted Points Total	86.7
Overall Grade Conversion	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 states' expectations.

Accountability Indicator (Title I Schools)

Thornwell School for the Arts has been designated as a:

X	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 school 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

	Our District	State	
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.8	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	96.0%	94.0%*	Yes
		State	
Professional qualifications of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State (Advanced Degrees)		61.9%	
Percentage of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State with emergency or provisional credentials		0.0%	

* Or greater than last year

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SC PASS Performance By Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean*	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested
Grades 3-5							
All Students	629.1	632.3	616.3	638.8	99.6	100.0	100.0
Male	623.3	628.7	619.5	634.6	99.1	100.0	100.0
Female	633.9	635.4	613.6	642.5	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	665.7	661.6	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
African American	621.0	624.8	609.6	632.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	624.8	629.7	612.2	636.4	99.5	100.0	100.0
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0

* Social Studies used as "Other Academic Indicator" for elementary and middle schools.

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Two Year Elementary and Middle School Grades Trend Data

2013	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	84	640.5	100.0	84	623.7	100.0
4	75	634.4	98.7	75	641.0	98.7	
5	80	633.8	98.8	80	614.9	98.8	
6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	43	616.7	100.0	41	640.0	100.0	
4	75	625.7	98.7	75	659.7	98.7	
5	39	612.2	100.0	41	604.4	97.6	
6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	

2014	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	77	639.4	98.7	78	631.0	100.0
4	80	618.8	100.0	80	626.4	100.0	
5	73	629.5	100.0	73	640.8	100.0	
6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	39	618.3	100.0	39	650.1	100.0	
4	80	616.0	100.0	80	649.3	100.0	
5	34	613.3	100.0	38	602.4	97.4	
6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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NOTE: Results include the SC-ALT test.

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (District) 4/27/2015 1601027

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	638.3	637.1	629.3	645.1	99.9	99.9	100.0	N/A
Male	633.2	636.9	631.9	647.3	99.8	99.8	100.0	N/A
Female	643.4	637.3	626.5	642.8	99.9	99.9	100.0	N/A
White	658.0	656.3	652.7	663.2	99.9	99.9	100.0	N/A
African American	622.2	620.9	609.5	629.7	99.9	99.8	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	622.2	624.1	624.1	641.2	98.3	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	599.6	596.7	595.8	610.8	99.4	99.4	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	630.6	641.1	633.8	646.3	98.2	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	629.0	627.6	618.0	635.0	99.8	99.8	100.0	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	620.6	620.3	630.3	634.1	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
Male	614.6	619.5	632.4	635.2	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
Female	626.9	621.1	628.2	633.0	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
White	642.5	637.7	652.7	655.3	99.8	99.9	100.0	N/A
African American	603.7	606.5	612.3	618.0	99.9	99.9	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	616.1	625.8	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	582.4	584.8	589.4	595.2	99.7	100.0	99.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	611.3	627.9	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	608.8	610.1	618.7	621.7	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	228.2	223.4	78.7	74.0	99.9	99.9	100.0	90.4
Male	225.3	222.7	78.7	75.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	84.5
Female	230.9	224.1	78.7	72.7	99.7	99.7	100.0	96.1
White	234.9	232.7	83.3	78.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	91.1
African American	222.7	215.9	75.1	69.5	99.8	99.8	100.0	90.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	81.8
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	208.8	201.7	69.1	65.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	53.4
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	222.8	217.6	75.3	70.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	87.4
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State) 4/27/2015 1601027

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies* / History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	643.8	644.3	626.4	645.0	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Male	638.9	643.9	627.0	646.5	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	649.0	644.6	625.8	643.4	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	659.5	662.7	644.4	659.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	622.3	617.3	601.2	624.1	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	669.9	686.6	655.9	673.4	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Hispanic	631.7	634.6	614.5	636.5	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	642.1	640.4	627.1	641.8	99.7	99.9	99.5	N/A
With Disabilities	599.3	596.5	587.6	609.2	98.9	99.5	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	631.2	638.6	615.0	638.1	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.7	625.2	609.4	628.7	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Migrant	608.2	615.1	590.4	623.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	627.8	632.2	634.7	637.4	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
Male	620.6	630.1	634.4	639.8	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Female	635.4	634.3	635.0	634.9	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
White	644.3	647.7	652.3	652.3	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
African American	604.3	608.5	608.9	615.2	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	658.5	680.2	673.0	677.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
Hispanic	617.3	625.4	625.0	630.5	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	629.4	631.2	637.2	638.3	99.9	99.8	99.7	N/A
With Disabilities	574.5	584.3	584.9	592.8	99.4	99.4	99.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	612.5	625.8	622.5	629.8	99.6	99.7	99.8	N/A
Subsidized Meals	610.0	614.6	616.3	619.9	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Migrant	586.4	606.8	600.8	607.7	98.2	98.2	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	229.3	222.6	81.8	74.9	98.7	98.7	100.0	80.0
Male	225.6	222.4	81.8	75.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	75.7
Female	233.2	222.9	81.9	74.0	99.2	99.1	100.0	84.5
White	235.9	230.8	86.1	78.1	99.0	98.9	100.0	82.8
African American	219.6	209.6	75.2	69.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	76.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	240.2	245.8	89.4	80.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	88.0
Hispanic	225.1	219.4	79.5	73.5	98.9	99.0	100.0	76.9
American Indian/Alaskan	228.8	220.3	81.9	77.2	98.9	99.3	100.0	74.3
With Disabilities	204.3	196.5	68.4	66.2	96.6	96.5	100.0	43.2
Limited English Proficient	218.0	214.7	76.6	71.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	73.4
Subsidized Meals	221.1	212.6	76.8	70.8	98.3	98.2	100.0	72.5
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	61.5
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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Key	
NSLP	National school lunch program
SD	Student with disabilities
ELL	English language learner
NAEP	National Association of Education Progress

	SD Participation Rate	ELL Participation Rate
Reading, Grade 4	89.0%	96.0%
Reading, Grade 8	85.0%	96.0%
Mathematics, Grade 4	93.0%	99.0%
Mathematics, Grade 8	90.0%	95.0%

	Our School
Number of recently arrived ELL students exempted from ELA in state assessments	0

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