

Carolina School for Inquiry

7405-A Fairfield Road
Columbia, SC 29203

Grades	PK-6 Elementary School	
Enrollment	144 Students	
Principal	Victoria Dixon-Mokeba	803-691-1250
Superintendent	Dr. Percy A. Mack	803-231-7500
Board Chair	Aaron Bishop	803-231-7556

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Good	Good
2013	Average	Average
2012	Good	Excellent
2011	Below 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>
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Percent of Student SC PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating

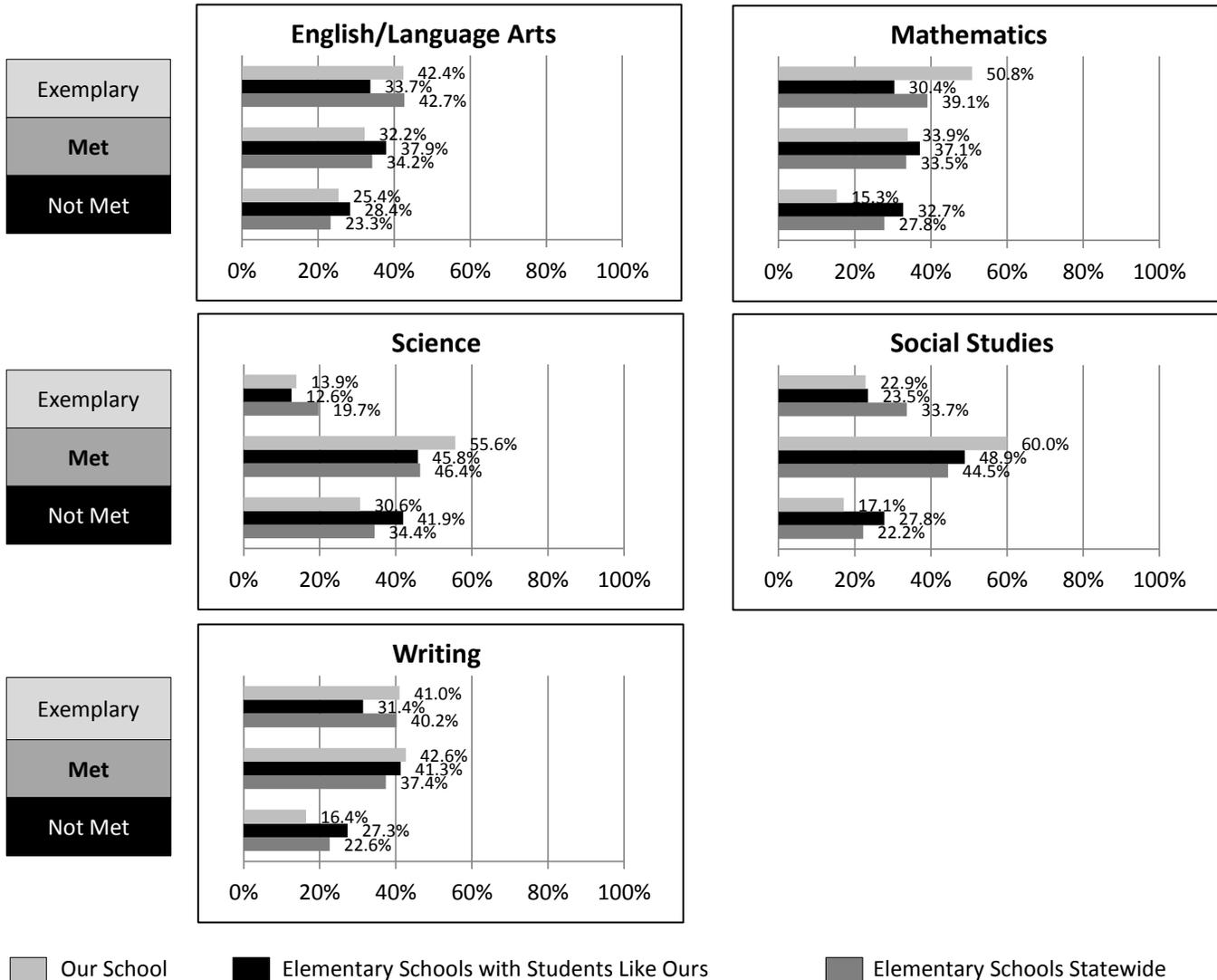
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 100.0%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
11	14	114	9	1

* 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 = 144)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	0.8%	Up from 0.0%	1.4%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	95.8%	Down from 96.6%	96.1%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	0.0%	No change	4.8%	7.3%
With disabilities	11.9%	Down from 14.3%	13.7%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	1.4%	Down from 2.4%	2.4%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 14)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	64.3%	Down from 72.7%	60.0%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	7.1%	Down from 72.7%	80.0%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	79.6%	Up from 73.0%	87.3%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	97.5%	Up from 96.5%	95.1%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$43,519	Down 4.4%	\$47,111	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	8.9 days	Down from 10.2 days	11.0 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	10.0	Up from 7.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	7.9 to 1	Down from 10.5 to 1	19.4 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.0%	Up from 92.8%	90.1%	90.7%
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**	\$11,106	Up 0.6%	\$7,989	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	47.0%	Down from 57.0%	65.9%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	46.1%	Up from 46.0%	64.9%	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

CSI has completed another successful year as Richland One’s Public Charter Elementary School. We have worked hand in hand with district officials to ensure high quality teaching and learning. The SCTAP System is a new and critical part of our charter for teacher evaluation and overall student achievement. Teachers and staff meet daily to discuss the learning outcomes that take place in each learning community. The school leadership team also created and implemented a pre-kindergarten program that focused on early childhood development through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM). The program’s execution has produced excellent results for our students. In order for each child and adult learner to develop a clear sense of what they know and need to know, Carolina School for Inquiry uses standards-based report cards and narrative report cards to inform students and families how they are doing in specific areas related to social sciences, reading, writing, and math. A key advantage to our reporting system is to provide specific feedback so that parents can purposefully work with their children at home, and to support the school’s effort in enabling the student to reach proficiency and to reinforce the school’s effort to move students beyond proficiency to advanced levels of understanding. Students are assessed as individuals, socially and academically. Each child in grades preK-6 has shown at least a year’s growth in a year’s time. Students were assessed formally three times last year using the Dominie Reading Assessment, MAP Testing, Study island, Dial 4 and Frogstreet Assessments which all provide a good knowledge base for what each child knows and was able to do. This data provides a means for the teachers to intentionally meet student needs in challenging areas albeit remediation of challenges for gifted acceleration. We were able to triangulate data using at least three data points. The school added an additional thirty minutes to the school day to implement Focus Groups based on MAP scores for students in grade k-6. Field studies are an important part of the CSI curriculum. These studies are planned monthly for each class to culminate the learning experiences that take place in the learning communities. School goals were intentionally set based on 2012 - 2013 PASS Reading test results, by May 2014 the school will decrease from 24% Not Met to 13% which represents a decrease from 11 students to 6 students; decrease from 42% Met to 40% which represents a decrease from 19 students to 18 students; Exemplary 4 will increase from 7% to 16% which represents an increase from 3 students to 7 students; and Exemplary 5 will increase from 27% to 31% which represents an increase from 12 students to 14 students. Students in grade 4 scoring: •Not Met will decrease from 8% to 0% (1 student to 0 student) •Met will increase from 31% to 38% (4 students to 5 students) •Exemplary 4 will increase from 15% to 23% (2 students to 3 students) •Exemplary 5 will increase from 46% to 54% (6 students to 7 students) Students in grade 5 scoring: •Not Met will decrease from 29% to 18% (5 students to 3 students) •Met will maintain at 53% (9 students) •Exemplary 4 will increase from 6% to 18% (1 student to 3 student) •Exemplary 5 will maintain at 12% (2 students) Students in grade 6 scoring: •Not Met will decrease from 33% to 20% (5 students to 3 students) •Met will decrease from 40% to 33% (6 students to 5 students) •Exemplary 4 will increase from 0% to 13% (2 students) •Exemplary 5 will increase from 27% to 33% (4 students to 5 students) of the SCTAP framework.

Victoria Dixon-Mokeba, Director/Lead Teacher

Mellissa Watkins, FoCSI President

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	13	18	9
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.3%	88.8%	-4.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	84.6%	77.7%	-4.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	92.3%	94.5%	-4.0%

* 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	95.4
Overall Grade Conversion	A

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)

Carolina School for Inquiry 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 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.
X	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	0.9	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.1	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.1%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	95.8%	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	641.8	650.2	619.7	636.5	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
African American	640.7	649.8	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
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	N/A	N/A	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	640.1	648.7	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
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	15	656.3	100.0	15	626.2	100.0
4	20	628.2	100.0	20	635.7	100.0	
5	17	632.6	100.0	17	643.5	100.0	
6	6	I/S	I/S	6	I/S	I/S	
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	7	I/S	I/S	8	I/S	I/S	
4	20	611.7	100.0	20	661.8	100.0	
5	8	I/S	I/S	9	I/S	I/S	
6	3	I/S	I/S	3	I/S	I/S	
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	20	642.7	100.0	20	639.4	100.0
4	13	642.5	100.0	13	650.2	100.0	
5	14	639.9	100.0	14	664.8	100.0	
6	14	612.9	100.0	14	642.8	100.0	
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	10	598.5	100.0	10	630.8	100.0	
4	13	618.0	100.0	13	646.8	100.0	
5	7	I/S	100.0	7	I/S	100.0	
6	7	I/S	100.0	7	I/S	100.0	
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 4001603

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	635.8	627.0	611.2	635.9	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
Male	630.1	625.3	610.9	635.0	99.7	99.9	99.8	N/A
Female	641.7	628.8	611.5	637.0	100.0	100.0	99.8	N/A
White	682.9	679.4	660.6	680.4	100.0	99.9	99.7	N/A
African American	624.0	613.1	598.8	624.7	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	647.8	653.9	629.2	641.2	100.0	100.0	98.5	N/A
Hispanic	632.0	630.7	607.3	639.2	100.0	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	588.7	578.4	573.3	599.2	99.1	99.7	99.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	622.9	627.4	599.8	625.0	100.0	100.0	99.3	N/A
Subsidized Meals	622.9	613.3	598.1	623.9	99.8	99.9	99.9	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	618.9	620.8	627.9	636.4	100.0	99.9	99.9	N/A
Male	610.3	617.1	625.5	637.0	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
Female	627.4	624.4	630.3	635.8	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
White	668.1	668.3	683.4	692.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
African American	605.1	607.0	612.1	620.4	100.0	99.9	99.9	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	636.3	650.8	654.6	670.4	98.7	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	621.0	626.8	630.5	644.4	100.0	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	573.5	580.1	581.4	596.7	100.0	100.0	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	603.1	619.3	617.0	630.9	99.4	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	603.7	606.4	610.3	620.1	100.0	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	224.5	216.3	76.2	71.7	99.6	99.3	100.0	74.1
Male	220.4	214.0	75.8	72.9	99.5	99.2	100.0	65.3
Female	228.6	218.6	76.6	70.7	99.7	99.4	100.0	82.2
White	244.6	242.8	88.8	80.4	99.7	99.7	100.0	81.0
African American	219.0	208.7	72.9	69.1	99.6	99.1	100.0	72.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	57.7
Hispanic	228.7	221.6	78.5	73.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	75.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	200.6	191.5	64.3	63.4	99.2	98.7	100.0	33.9
Limited English Proficient	211.7	210.9	73.3	66.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	59.5
Subsidized Meals	217.7	208.2	72.4	68.0	99.5	99.3	100.0	71.6
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

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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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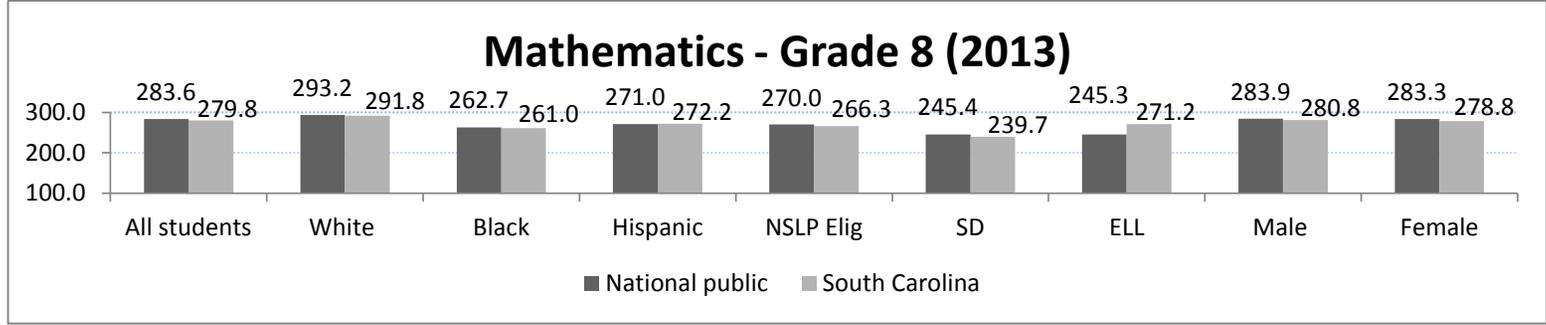
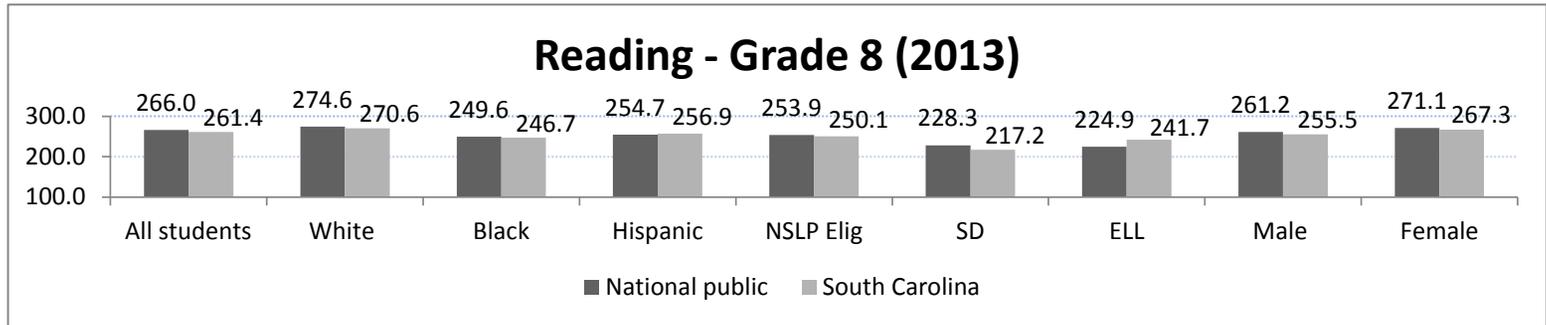
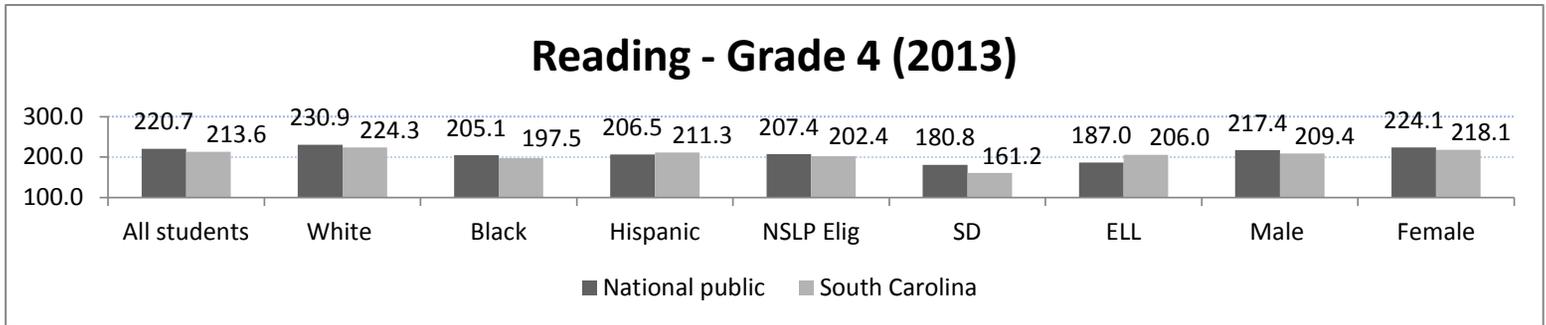
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*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.



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

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable N/AV-Not Available N/C-Not Collected N/R-Not Reported I/S-Insufficient Sample