



## Forest Lake Elementary

6801 Brookfield Road  
Columbia, SC 29206

**Grades** PK-5 Elementary School

**Enrollment** 609 Students

**Principal** Dr. Kappy Steck

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**Superintendent**

**Board Chair**

# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

## RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
<b>2014</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Average</b>
2013	Average	Average
2012	Average	Average
2011	Good	Good
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.

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

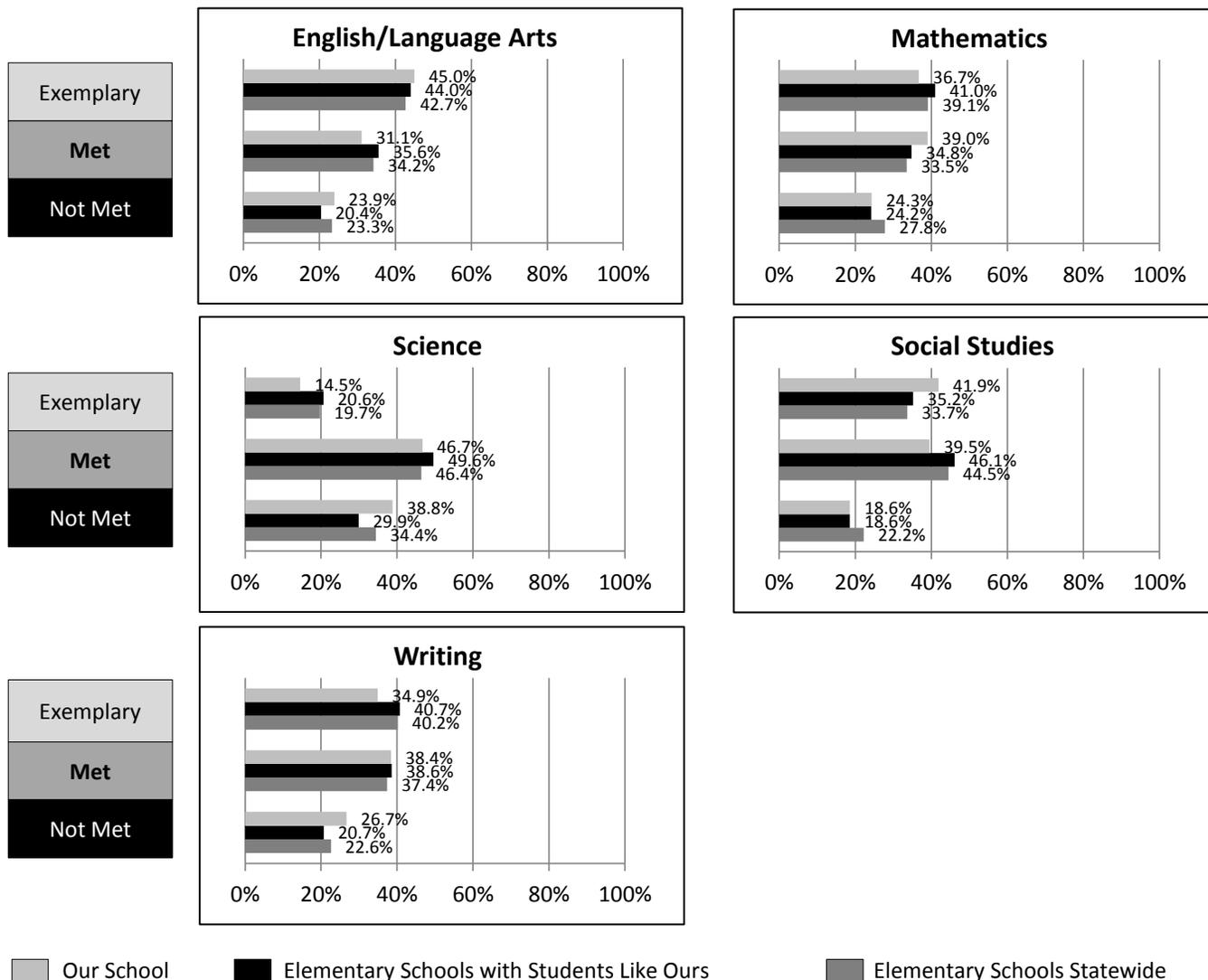
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 96.0%

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

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
32	51	33	2	0

\* 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
<b>Students (n = 609)</b>				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	0.9%	Down from 1.3%	1.1%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	97.2%	Up from 96.5%	96.4%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	7.9%	Up from 7.0%	8.0%	7.3%
With disabilities	15.5%	Down from 16.6%	13.3%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	1.1%	Down from 1.6%	2.1%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n = 52)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	75.0%	Up from 68.6%	60.0%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	76.9%	Down from 80.4%	84.0%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.8%	Up from 85.9%	89.6%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	96.8%	Up from 96.2%	95.4%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,560	Down 2.5%	\$48,316	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	3.9 days	Down from 4.0 days	10.4 days	10.9 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	13.0	Up from 12.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.2 to 1	Down from 20.2 to 1	20.3 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.3%	Up from 91.9%	90.5%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	69.0%	Up from 65.4%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,597	Up 0.0%	\$7,339	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.3%	Down from 75.0%	67.5%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	72.9%	Up from 72.0%	66.7%	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**

Forest Lake Elementary NASA Explorer School celebrates another successful year of quality teaching and learning! Forest Lake faculty and staff continue to engage students in technology-infused learning experiences that incorporate 21st Century learning skills and standards. Academic instruction and activities are differentiated in order to meet the needs of all.

Our families, business partners, and community members are amazing! They have contributed thousands of hours volunteering in the school and/or serving as mentors. We truly appreciate the active role these important learning partners play in our school. Their support is crucial to our success!

Forest Lake’s exemplary teachers welcomed a number of educators and administrators from across the state into their classrooms this year. Interns, practicum students, and student teachers from the University of South Carolina also benefited from our excellent staff of professionals.

Due to the commitment and dedication of the Forest Lake faculty, staff, and students and the support of our families, business partners, and the community, our accolades are numerous. Over the years, Forest Lake has received both state and national recognitions to include being named a Parents Magazine Honor Roll School, NASA Honor Roll School, NASA DLN’s First Recipient of the Beagle Award 2014, 2014 National Civil Air Patrol’s Aerospace Connections in Education ACE Student of the Year, National NAEOP Administrator of the Year 2014, Featured in USA Today Magazine September 2013, NASA RGO (Reduced Gravity Opportunity) Recipients 2011–2012; 2012–2013, and Civil Air Patrol National School Award 2012-2013.

Forest Lake is proud of its active partnership with NASA as we begin our ninth year as a NASA Explorer School! Teachers use the NASA resources and state standards to design experience-based instructional practices that incorporate STEM-G (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math and Geography) curricula. Infused with literacy and the arts, our well balanced instructional program provides tomorrow’s leaders with a strong academic foundation!

A variety of school-wide and grade level programs promote academic achievement and community among students. NASA Family Nights, Forest Lake Today news program, Broadway Jr. and grade level musical productions, STEM-G Fest, LEGO Robotics team, National Geographic Geo Bee, Science Fair, SC Festival, Eagle Express Literary magazine, and our end of the year Destination: Mars unit provided students opportunities to collaborate with others while participating in exciting and fun learning activities.

All students are engaged in quality teaching and learning. Forest Lake’s commitment to providing an excellent education extends far beyond the basics. Our professional staff works diligently to provide every student with numerous and varied academic experiences. Distance learning through video conferences, speakers, on-site and off-site field studies, and special programs combined with classroom experiences ensure that our students will achieve to their fullest potential.

Tomorrow’s leaders are learning valuable lessons today at Forest Lake! Our students are given the opportunity to explore their world and the world at large using the latest in technology and communications. Tomorrow’s citizens are also learning valuable life skills as they participate in activities that promote collaboration, communication, critical thinking and creativity. Forest Lake, where our students proudly state, “We are the Eagles ...soaring to be the best!”

**Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	49	79	14
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.9%	89.9%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	93.9%	91.3%	85.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.8%	93.8%	80.0%

\* 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.

<b>Overall Weighted Points Total</b>	<b>77.8</b>
<b>Overall Grade Conversion</b>	<b>C</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)**

Forest Lake Elementary 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**

	<b>Our District</b>	<b>State</b>	
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.6	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.7	7.3%	
	<b>Our School</b>	<b>State Objective</b>	<b>Met State Objective</b>
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.1%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	97.2%	94.0%*	Yes
		<b>State</b>	
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
<b>Grades 3-5</b>							
All Students	637.0	635.0	614.4	646.4	99.6	99.3	99.4
Male	635.4	636.4	616.2	650.0	100.0	99.3	100.0
Female	639.0	633.4	612.4	642.1	99.2	99.2	98.9
White	668.8	663.9	638.4	670.3	100.0	100.0	100.0
African American	625.7	622.6	603.8	636.2	99.5	99.0	99.2
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	573.1	572.1	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	618.0	617.2	600.4	631.3	99.4	98.8	99.1
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	91	638.8	100.0	91	607.5	100.0
4	109	629.6	100.0	109	638.4	100.0	
5	107	657.3	100.0	107	622.4	100.0	
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	45	612.1	100.0	46	624.9	100.0	
4	109	604.8	100.0	109	637.0	100.0	
5	55	630.5	100.0	53	645.6	100.0	
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	96	640.0	100.0	95	630.9	97.9
4	85	641.0	98.8	85	641.6	98.8	
5	93	631.3	100.0	93	633.1	98.9	
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	48	605.4	100.0	48	648.1	98.0	
4	85	627.2	98.8	85	660.1	98.8	
5	47	601.1	100.0	46	620.9	97.9	
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 4002074

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
<b>Grades 3 - 5</b>								
All Students	648.8	646.9	629.6	646.8	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
Male	643.3	647.1	630.1	647.9	99.8	99.9	99.7	N/A
Female	654.7	646.7	629.1	645.7	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	673.3	678.4	657.7	669.1	99.9	99.9	100.0	N/A
African American	637.2	630.8	615.0	635.4	99.8	99.9	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	673.8	690.8	662.5	677.9	99.6	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	638.4	636.3	624.5	639.1	99.6	99.8	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	607.9	606.6	598.2	615.3	99.5	99.8	99.3	N/A
Limited English Proficient	639.8	646.4	628.8	648.0	99.5	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	631.3	624.9	610.8	629.7	99.8	99.9	99.7	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
<b>Grades 6 - 8</b>								
All Students	625.8	625.5	631.1	630.5	99.7	99.7	99.5	N/A
Male	618.6	624.1	630.7	632.9	99.7	99.7	99.5	N/A
Female	633.2	627.0	631.6	628.1	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
White	651.2	652.4	662.3	656.2	99.9	99.8	99.3	N/A
African American	613.4	611.4	615.7	617.4	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	666.3	682.9	674.1	679.2	99.6	100.0	99.4	N/A
Hispanic	615.1	616.2	624.0	624.8	98.5	99.8	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	572.9	581.4	584.1	593.2	99.7	99.5	99.4	N/A
Limited English Proficient	615.3	625.3	622.5	633.1	97.2	99.4	99.5	N/A
Subsidized Meals	607.3	606.4	611.0	613.8	99.6	99.7	99.5	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
<b>Grades 9 - 12</b>								
All Students	230.1	222.1	82.4	74.5	98.2	98.4	100.0	82.0
Male	225.3	220.9	82.3	74.9	97.6	97.8	100.0	76.0
Female	234.6	223.3	82.8	74.2	98.8	98.9	100.0	87.8
White	242.0	238.6	90.1	80.4	99.8	99.8	100.0	87.1
African American	224.5	213.8	78.4	71.7	97.9	97.9	100.0	79.7
Asian/Pacific Islander	247.6	256.5	92.2	80.2	98.3	98.3	100.0	88.5
Hispanic	225.7	218.3	81.8	74.9	94.4	96.3	100.0	76.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	201.3	195.2	65.9	66.6	98.2	96.9	100.0	43.1
Limited English Proficient	219.6	217.2	80.3	74.9	94.6	97.3	100.0	68.5
Subsidized Meals	221.6	211.4	76.8	70.7	97.6	97.7	100.0	73.0
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

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

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**Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State)** 4/27/2015 4002074

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies* / History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
<b>Grades 3 - 5</b>								
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
<b>Grades 6 - 8</b>								
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
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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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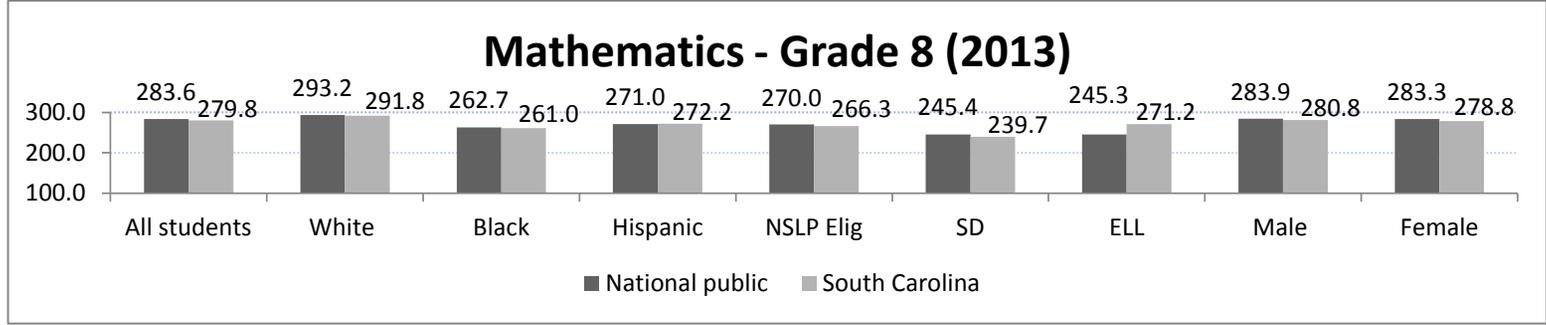
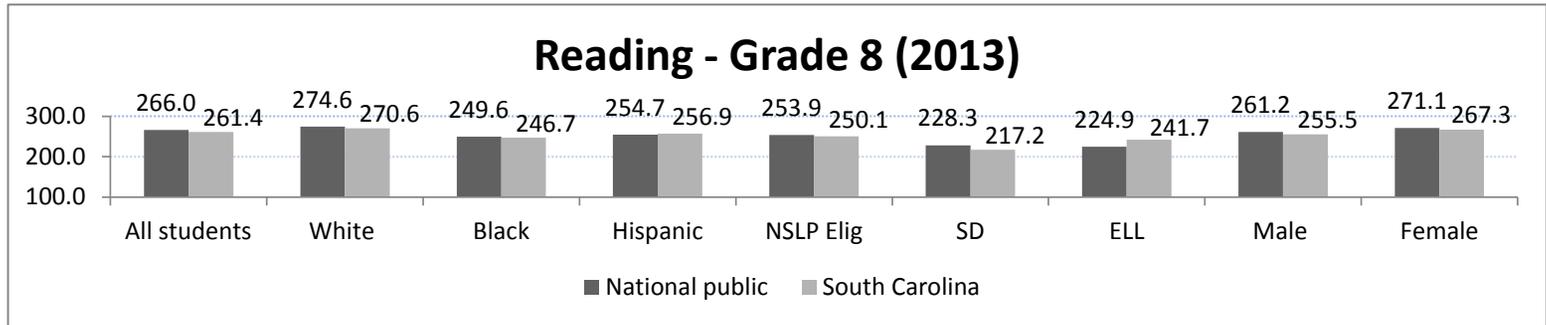
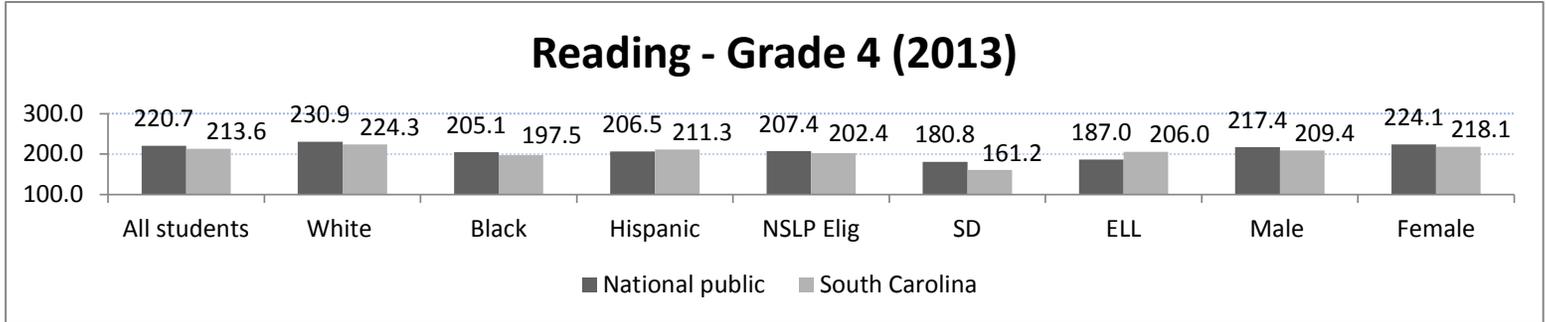
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\*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.



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	2

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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