

Lemira Elementary School

952 Fulton Street
Sumter, SC 29153

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	576 Students	
Principal	Delcia Harper-Baxter	803-775-0658
Superintendent	J. Frank Baker	803-469-6900
Board Chair	E. Keith Schultz	803-469-6900

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Average	Average
2013	Average	Below 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

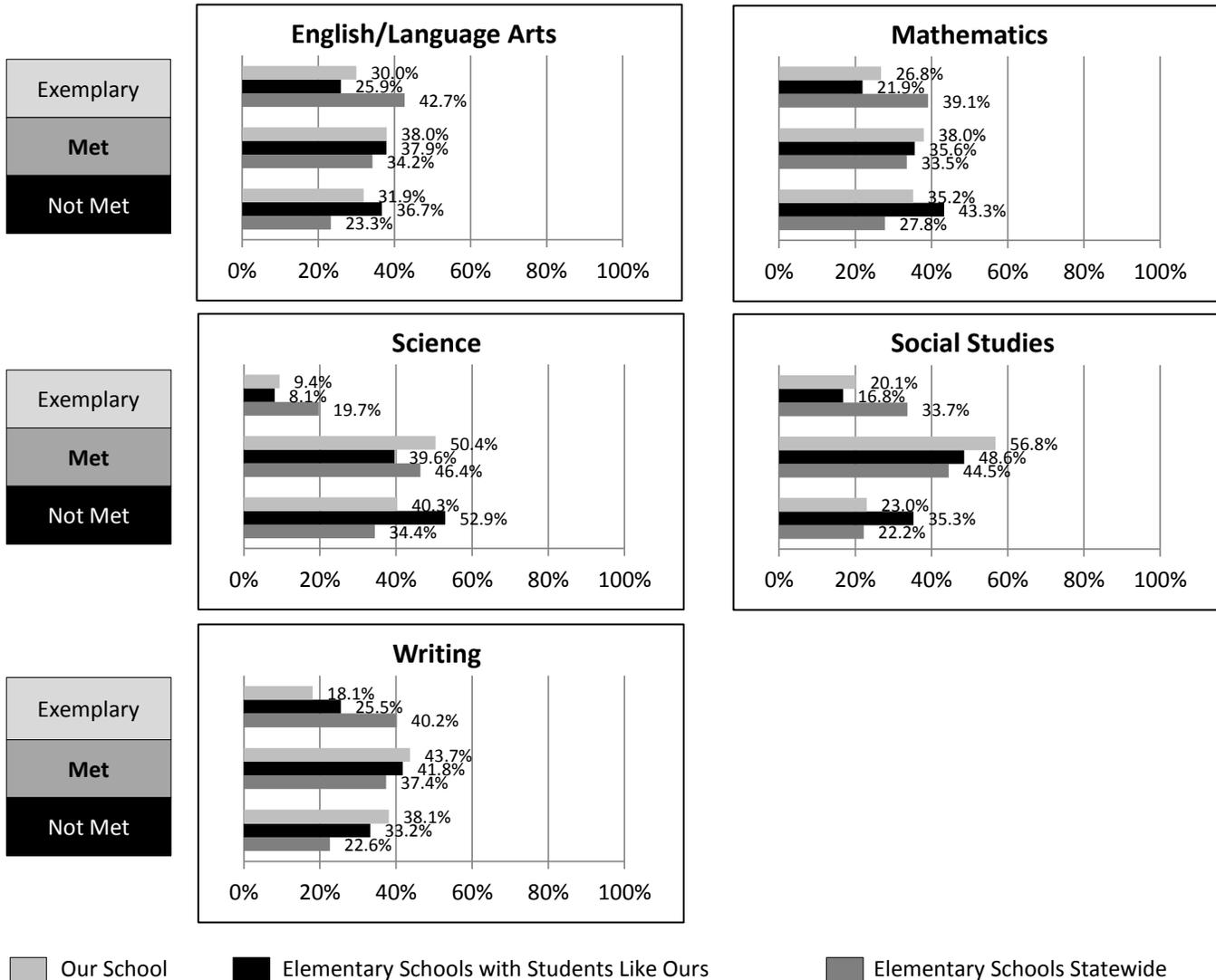
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 97.1%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
1	6	92	46	16

* 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 = 576)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	6.1%	Up from 4.3%	1.6%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	95.4%	Down from 96.3%	96.0%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	2.9%	Down from 3.1%	2.5%	7.3%
With disabilities	16.6%	Up from 15.5%	14.2%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	5.7%	Down from 7.3%	2.9%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.2%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 42)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	64.3%	Down from 65.9%	59.4%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	90.5%	Down from 95.1%	73.4%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.4%	Up from 92.1%	83.3%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.4%	Up from 94.0%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,543	Up 2.6%	\$45,638	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	6.3 days	Down from 8.9 days	10.2 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	20.0	Up from 19.0	3.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18.5 to 1	Up from 18.4 to 1	18.4 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.5%	Down from 89.8%	90.3%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.6%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,738	Down 3.7%	\$8,788	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.4%	Up from 70.0%	64.3%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	69.8%	Down from 70.0%	63.8%	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

It has been another fabulous year of teaching and learning at Lemira Elementary School! This year, we continued our college bound and leadership initiatives with the theme: Excellence by Exceeding Expectations: Creating College Bound Leaders. All stakeholders promoted an atmosphere of leadership and high expectations for life-long learners. Leadership skills were integrated into the curriculum and were correlated with best practices.

Through everyday real-life applications and connections, students utilized measurement tools to gather data, create graphs, and interpret data. Students in all grade-levels explained their mathematical thinking through journals and class discussions. Students gathered measurement data (using both nonstandard and standard units) and made connections while organizing and manipulating data. Students interpreted tables, charts, and graphs in all subject areas.

Students increased vocabulary and analyze/interpret informational texts through the integration of ELA standards in cross-curricular areas. Teachers continued to implement strategies from our What Really Matters in Vocabulary and Nonfiction Craft Lessons book studies. Informational texts were integrated across the curriculum and students used a variety of nonfiction materials (newspapers, websites, etc.) in all subject areas. Opportunities were provided for students to participate in novel and genre studies. Various activities (word walls, word webs, word ladders, etc.) were used to increase students' exposure to the three tiers of vocabulary.

Students increased the command of Standard English language usage/mechanisms through the use of informational texts across the curriculum and in writing in a variety of forms. Teachers increased oral language and exposure to Standard English through daily read-alouds. Students were given the opportunity to participate in Writer's Workshop, oral presentations, and Author's Teas. Teachers and students conferenced about both reading and writing. Students in all grade-levels used Writing Journals. Each class published a Studenttreasures book. Teachers modeled the use of Standard English and helped students make the connection between oral and written language.

Our students and teachers were successful both inside and outside of the classroom. Ms. Brandis Watkins, a second grade teacher, was honored as the 2013-2014 Teacher of the Year. One of our 5th Grade classes ranked in the Top 10 in the state during Part 2 of the University of South Carolina's "Read With the Gamecocks" reading program. Our Percussion Ensemble performed all over the state and beyond, including at the Spoleto Festival. Our Golden Steppers sponsored the Second Annual Step Off Competition and won several first place trophies at various state competitions.

With our ongoing belief that all children can exceed expectations of excellence, we will continue to focus on our mission to develop the whole child as a productive, competent, college bound member of society through challenging learning opportunities.

Delcia Harper-Baxter, Principal

Leslie Dowling, SIC Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	41	58	30
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	100.0%	73.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.6%	91.6%	72.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	92.5%	100.0%	75.8%

* 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	70.5
Overall Grade Conversion	C

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)

Lemira Elementary School 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.
X	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	3.7	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	13.6	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	95.4%	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	624.2	624.6	610.4	627.1	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	616.4	618.4	610.8	626.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	633.0	631.7	610.1	627.4	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
African American	620.0	620.9	604.2	623.3	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	582.1	588.2	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	622.1	623.5	608.9	625.7	100.0	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

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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	79	632.4	100.0	79	628.3	100.0
4	78	627.2	100.0	78	630.5	100.0	
5	86	612.9	100.0	86	608.2	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	39	603.3	97.4	40	637.3	97.5
	4	78	620.1	100.0	78	626.6	100.0
	5	42	598.6	100.0	44	596.6	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	85	622.2	100.0	85	624.0	100.0
4	71	619.6	100.0	71	617.6	100.0	
5	83	630.3	100.0	83	631.6	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	41	605.7	100.0	44	624.7	100.0
	4	71	612.0	100.0	71	630.8	100.0
	5	42	612.2	100.0	41	623.0	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

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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 4301031

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	631.2	625.8	615.2	628.1	99.6	99.8	99.5	N/A
Male	625.9	623.2	615.1	628.3	99.6	99.8	99.5	N/A
Female	636.7	628.5	615.3	627.9	99.7	99.7	99.5	N/A
White	649.9	646.1	636.8	642.6	99.2	99.4	99.4	N/A
African American	619.8	612.6	601.3	618.7	99.8	99.9	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	662.6	671.8	660.6	662.8	100.0	100.0	98.1	N/A
Hispanic	637.6	637.2	625.5	635.6	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	593.2	589.3	586.0	601.9	98.8	99.7	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	628.4	638.4	625.7	640.1	100.0	98.9	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	622.4	616.8	605.3	620.7	99.7	99.9	99.6	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	609.4	609.3	619.6	619.0	99.5	99.6	99.1	N/A
Male	602.5	607.0	619.4	620.6	99.4	99.5	98.9	N/A
Female	616.7	611.7	619.9	617.4	99.7	99.6	99.2	N/A
White	629.6	623.6	639.5	634.8	99.2	99.2	99.5	N/A
African American	598.5	601.0	608.3	610.7	99.7	99.7	98.8	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	634.3	644.7	656.0	657.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	615.9	618.1	626.6	623.4	100.0	100.0	98.8	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	570.2	577.8	578.8	586.8	99.1	99.1	98.7	N/A
Limited English Proficient	592.0	602.5	600.3	607.9	100.0	100.0	97.6	N/A
Subsidized Meals	601.1	602.2	610.5	611.1	99.6	99.6	98.9	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	223.6	210.4	77.3	70.2	98.6	98.2	100.0	79.2
Male	220.8	211.0	77.6	70.7	98.1	97.5	100.0	75.0
Female	226.2	209.8	77.0	69.7	99.0	98.9	100.0	83.5
White	233.8	221.7	83.6	74.4	97.7	97.7	100.0	83.9
African American	218.6	204.6	73.7	67.8	99.0	98.3	100.0	76.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	88.9
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	80.3	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	72.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	205.3	193.1	67.3	63.2	94.7	93.0	100.0	35.4
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	218.8	204.8	74.8	67.8	98.2	97.8	100.0	73.6
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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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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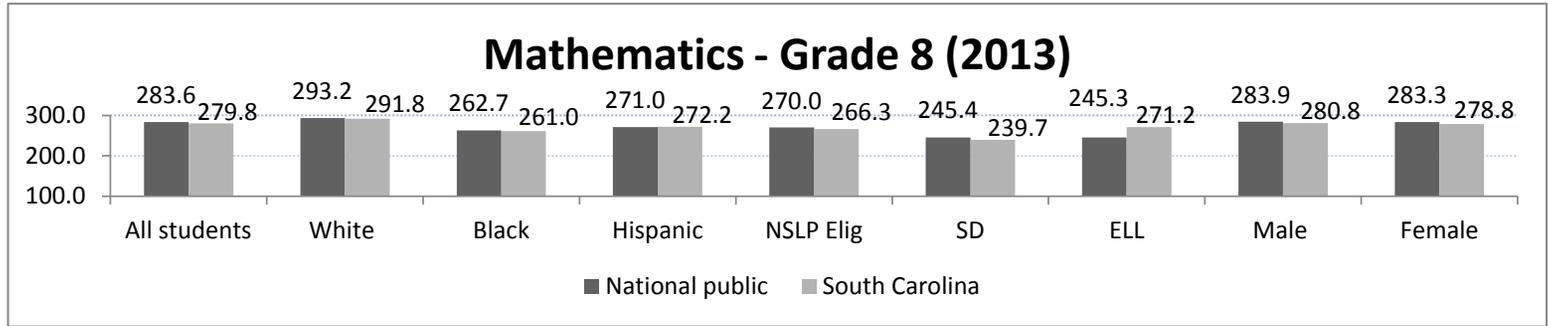
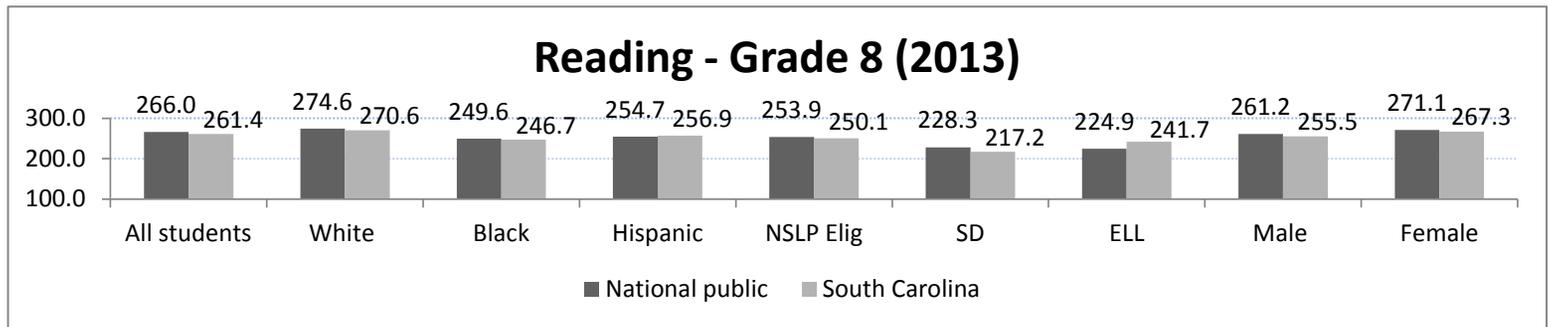
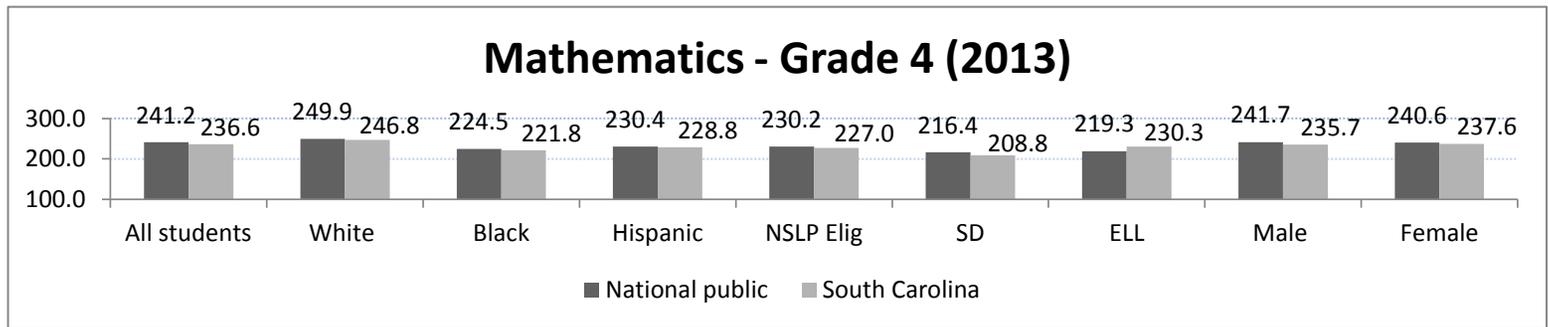
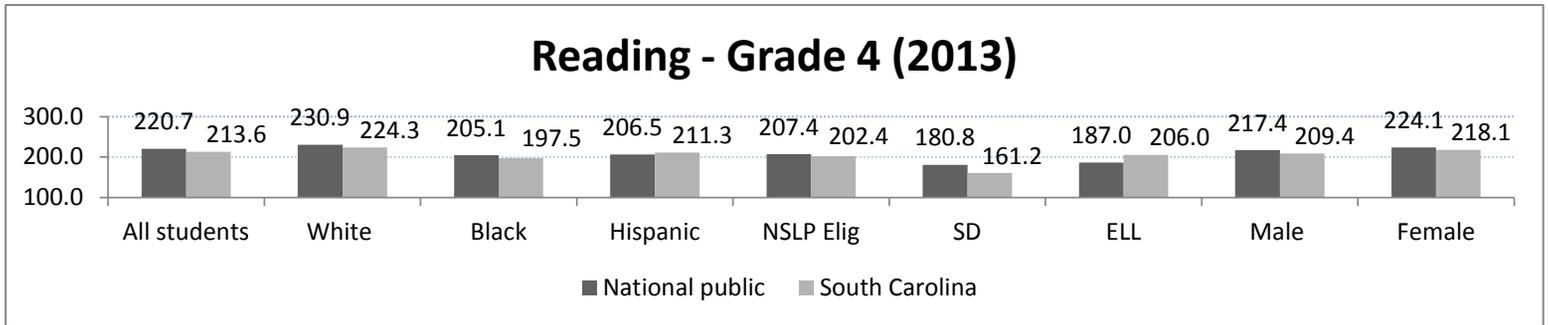
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Key	
NSLP	National school lunch program
SD	Student with disabilities
ELL	English language learner
NAEP	National Association of Education Progress

	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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