



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Fairforest Elementary School**  
**SPARTANBURG 6**  
**Grades: K-5** Enrollment: 750  
**Principal: Stephen Krawczyk**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Darryl Owings**  
**Board Chair: Mr. Lynn Harris, Chairman**

## 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
2014	Good	Below Average	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2013	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2012	Excellent	Excellent	GOLD	SILVER	A	N/A

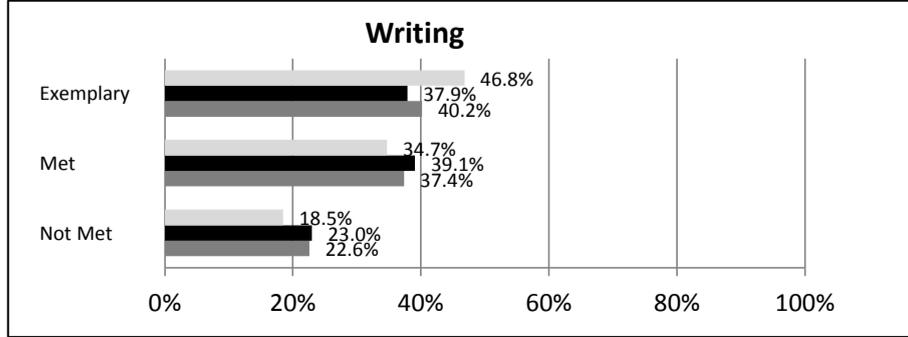
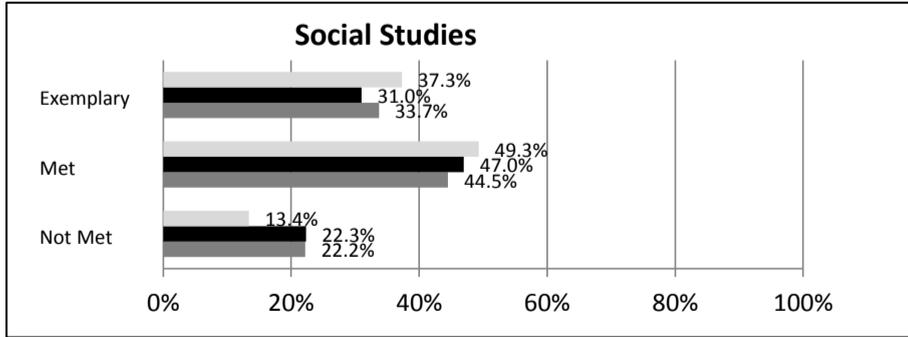
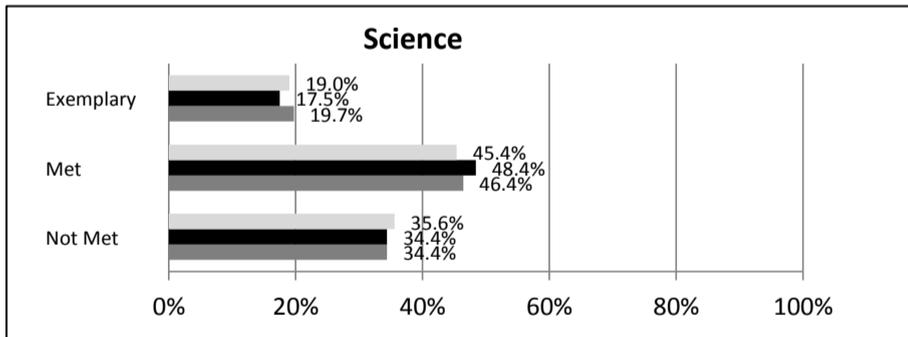
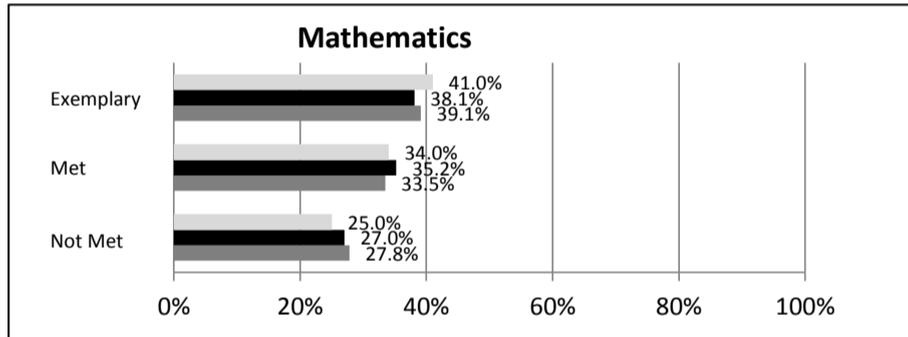
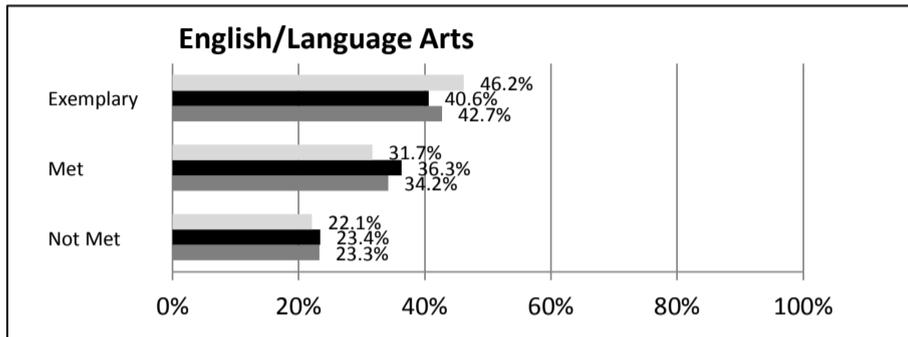
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
25	43	63	4	1

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

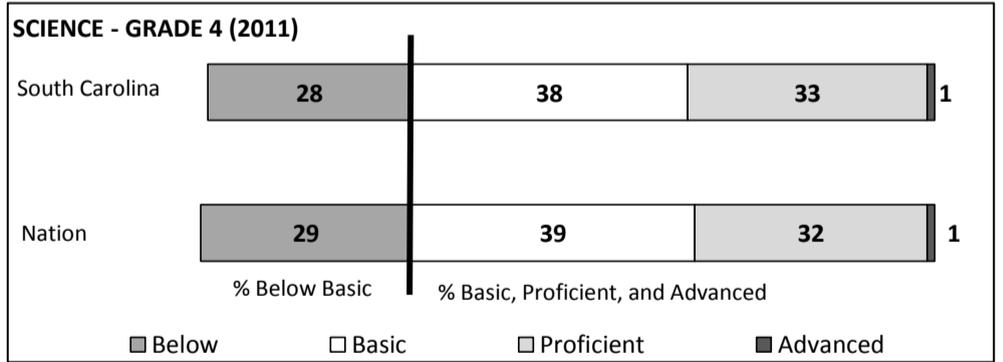
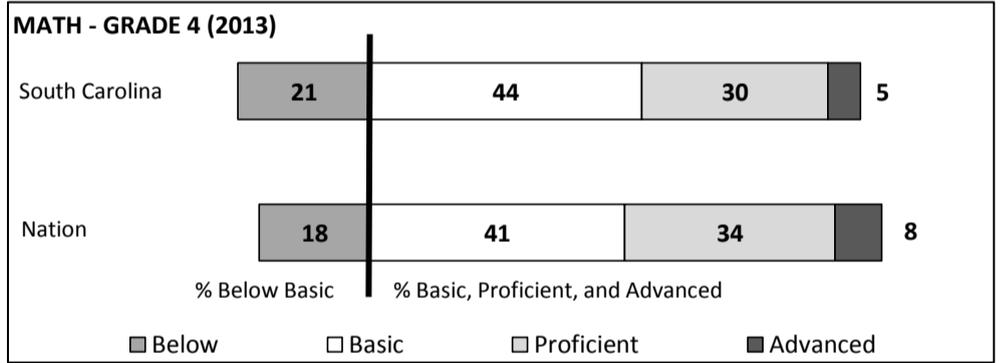
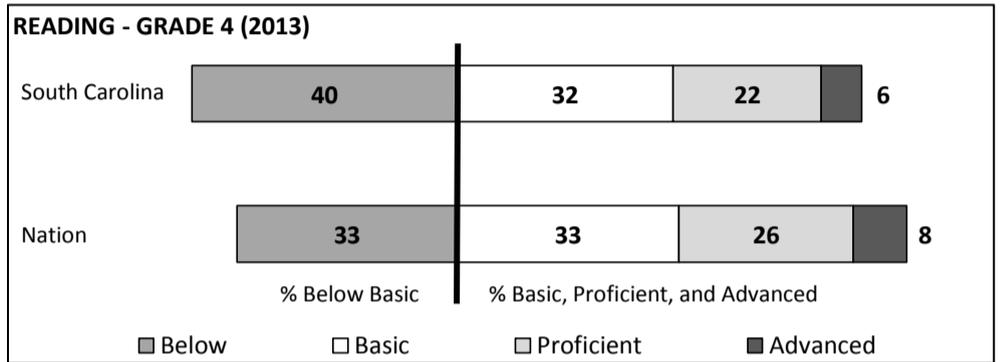
## SC PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School    Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours    Elem Schools Statewide



## NAEP\*

\*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.

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**SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary Schools
<b>Students (n = 750)</b>				
Retention rate	0.8%	Up from 0.3%	1.2%	1.0%
Attendance rate	96.5%	Down from 97.5%	96.3%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	10.9%	Up from 9.3%	7.0%	7.3%
With disabilities	14.4%	No change	13.7%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	1.2%	Up from 1.0%	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 = 45)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	75.6%	Down from 77.3%	59.6%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	80.0%	Up from 77.3%	83.5%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.8%	Up from 90.1%	89.2%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Down from 96.0%	95.2%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,055	Up 0.2%	\$48,411	\$47,902
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.1%	Up from 0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	22.5 days	Down from 22.7 days	10.3 days	10.9 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	12.0	Up from 11.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.3 to 1	Up from 21.1 to 1	20.2 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.6%	Down from 92.4%	90.1%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.3%	Down from 99.6%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,002	Up 0.7%	\$7,678	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.5%	Down from 72.0%	66.0%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	68.6%	Up from 68.0%	65.1%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	83.7	Up from 83.2	84.8	85.7

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\*Prior year audited financial data available.

**EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	110	23
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	90.0%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	84.4%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	92.9%	84.7%	90.9%

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

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**REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL**

The mission of Fairforest Elementary School is to prepare our students for lifelong learning through a challenging curriculum with open communication in a safe, respectful environment. The staff at Fairforest Elementary was proud to serve a culturally diverse student body of 750 students in a state of the art facility.

The diversity of our school shapes the instructional practices within its walls. Many teachers utilize an integrated approach where science and social studies content is used to help reinforce math and language arts skills. This method of teaching allows students to see the relationships between subjects allowing them to understand complex concepts at deeper levels. Thus allowing students the opportunity to learn and practice skills that are necessary for college and career readiness.

The staff of Fairforest Elementary School realizes that the success of each student is largely dependent upon them. As such, they participated in a comprehensive professional development program designed to familiarize them with changing standards and to assist them in improving in the art of teaching. Additionally, many staff members continued their professional development by working towards advanced degrees through local colleges and universities.

The high levels of student achievement for which the staff strives can only be attained with the assistance of parents and our community. In 2013-2014, our school was fortunate to have many parent volunteers, community organizations and business partners all of whom were committed to our mission. These dedicated stakeholders have enriched our school's culture and enabled us to meet student needs that otherwise would not have been met to the same degree.

The staff at Fairforest Elementary School is grateful to the Spartanburg School District Six Board of Trustees, the District Administration and the community at large for their continued efforts to provide our students with a quality education within a top-notch facility.

Dr. Stephen Krawczyk, Principal

Mr. Deonn Yates, SIC Chairman

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