

## Northwoods Middle School

7763 Northside Drive  
North Charleston, SC 29420

<b>Grades</b>	6-8 Middle School	
<b>Enrollment</b>	946 Students	
<b>Principal</b>	Toshawna T. Mahone	843-764-2212
<b>Superintendent</b>	Dr. Nancy J. McGinley	843-937-6319
<b>Board Chair</b>	Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats	843-529-2457

# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

## RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
<b>2014</b>	<b>Below Average</b>	<b>Average</b>
2013	Below Average	Average
2012	Below Average	Average
2011	At-Risk	Below Average
2010	At-Risk	At-Risk

## 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**

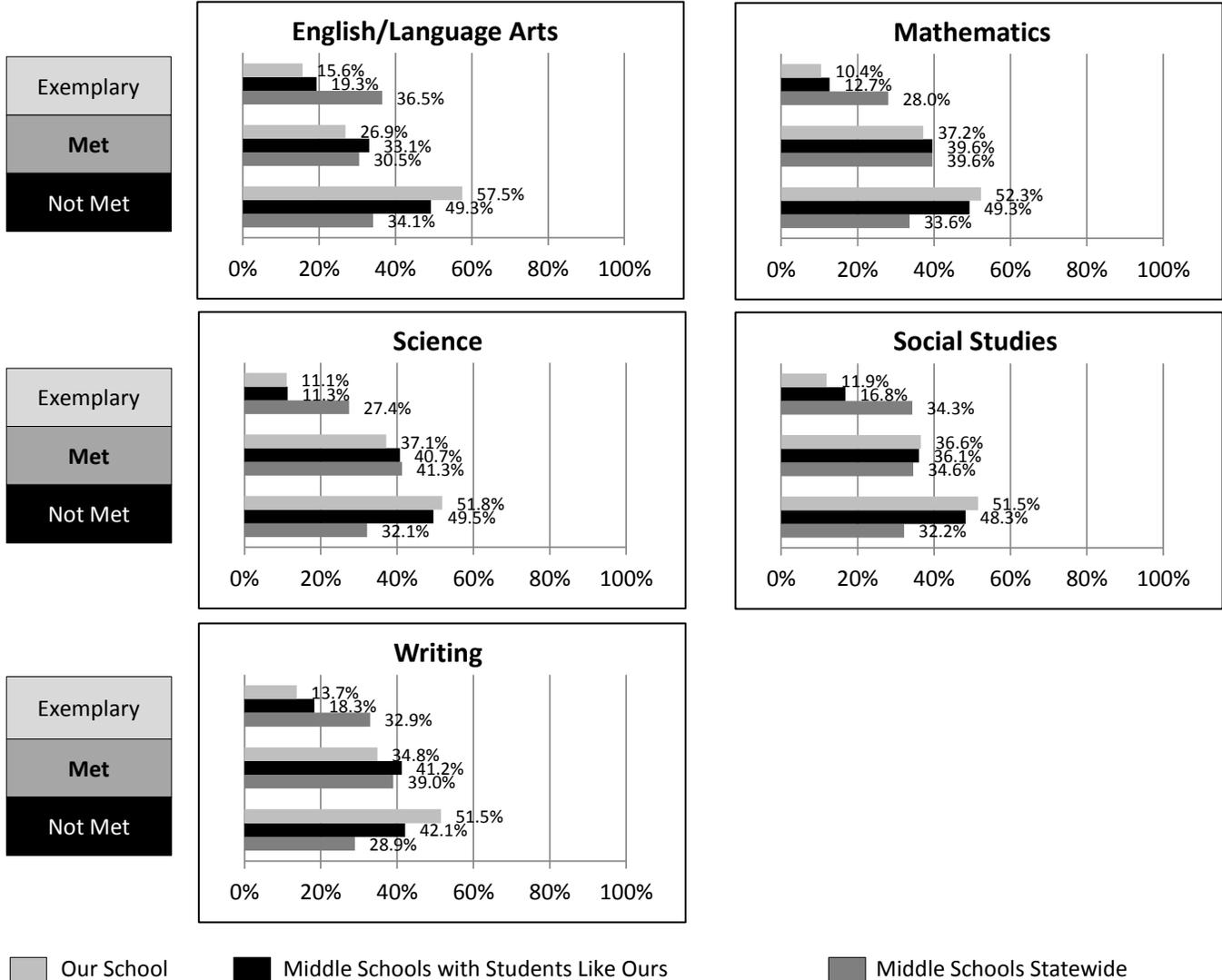
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 95.5%

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

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
0	0	25	35	14

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

**South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC PASS)**



\* Middle Schools with Students Like Ours are middle 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.

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## School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
<b>Students (n = 946)</b>				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	13.8%	Up from 7.9%	14.9%	26.0%
Retention Rate	1.9%	Up from 1.3%	0.7%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	98.8%	Up from 94.2%	95.6%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	12.3%	Up from 10.7%	7.8%	19.4%
With disabilities	13.4%	Up from 13.1%	16.0%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	7.4%	Up from 7.3%	6.6%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	11.5%	Up from 9.3%	1.0%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n = 70)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	35.7%	Down from 37.5%	57.6%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	37.1%	Down from 48.2%	62.7%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	70.3%	Up from 66.8%	77.7%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	97.9%	Up from 96.1%	95.3%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$39,456	Down 1.8%	\$45,352	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	11.2 days	Up from 5.9 days	9.6 days	10.6 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	No change	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.4 to 1	Up from 22.7 to 1	18.6 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	96.3%	Up from 89.5%	89.6%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Up from Fair	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	51.9%	Down from 53.1%	98.3%	99.0%
Character development program	Below Average	Down from Good	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,162	Up 1.3%	\$9,485	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.3%	Down from 62.0%	56.2%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.8%	Down from 58.0%	55.2%	61.3%

\* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

## End of Course Tests

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	92.6%	94.3%
English 1	N/A	87.2%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	92.6%	92.7%

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**Report of Principal and School Improvement Council**

Northwoods Middle School experienced another outstanding year in 2013-2014. Despite continuous growth in student enrollment, Northwoods Middle School continues to increase the academic performance of our students. The student population grew with our staff, student body, and parents all working hard to meet the challenge to increase student achievement. Throughout the year, the teachers at Northwoods engaged in professional development that targeted student engagement strategies and SpringBoard implementation. We also continued the implementation of the district initiative to provide reading intervention to a targeted group of students as well as a program to provide math intervention for students. This year, we had over 70 students take the Algebra 1 course; this more than doubles the number of students who tested previously.

The teachers and students have worked very hard this year tackling the new Springboard Curriculum, PBIS PRIDE System while learning/preparing our students for the 21st Century workplace. This year we implemented monthly PTSA meetings as well as Math/Science Nights and ELA Nights. These initiatives have been well-received and well-attended by our parents. It allowed parents to meet with teachers as well as learn about the exciting things that are happening at our school and the ways in which they can support instruction at home. We had the best PASS attendance in the history of Northwoods as well as our 1st Talent Show, the recreation of PTSA and the various other afterschool events we conducted this year: Lego Robotics, IFA Reading Buddies, Google Camp, Wise Guys, Yearbook and more.

Next year will bring many new and exciting changes. We will be 1:1 with an iPad for every student as we begin to implement the Personalized Mastery Learning model schoolwide while continuing to implement our SpringBoard curriculum. As we prepare for next year, we look forward to continuing to meet the academic challenges that lay before us. Northwoods is committed to making data-driven decisions that we believe will move our school closer to an "excellent" school. We are confident that our students are capable of achieving high academic levels if provided with the tools and time necessary for success. We are committed to making our vision of student success a reality.

Toshawka T. Mahone, Principal

Kathryn Brockmann, PTSA and SIC Chairperson

**Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	29	166	40
Percent satisfied with learning environment	37.9%	68.6%	67.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	53.4%	66.6%	54.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	24.1%	76.7%	52.4%

\* Only students at the highest middle 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>40.1</b>
<b>Overall Grade Conversion</b>	<b>F</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)**

Northwoods Middle 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**

	<b>Our District</b>	<b>State</b>	
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.5	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	10.9	7.3%	
	<b>Our School</b>	<b>State Objective</b>	<b>Met State Objective</b>
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	16.6%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	98.8%	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 6-8</b>							
All Students	593.4	601.6	605.1	604.2	99.6	99.7	99.8
Male	587.3	600.9	603.1	603.2	99.4	99.6	99.7
Female	600.3	602.4	607.4	605.3	99.8	99.8	100.0
White	623.3	620.5	637.6	622.7	99.1	99.1	100.0
African American	586.9	594.3	597.8	597.2	99.5	99.7	99.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	599.2	615.8	610.5	617.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	552.7	568.4	569.1	580.1	99.3	100.0	100.0
Limited English Proficient	595.1	615.2	606.3	613.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
Subsidized Meals	590.7	599.6	601.7	602.3	99.5	99.6	99.8
Migrant	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

\* 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	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
4	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
5	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
6	325	599.2	100.0	325	610.1	100.0	
7	289	597.9	99.7	289	612.9	99.7	
8	247	599.4	100.0	247	603.7	100.0	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV
4	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV
5	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV
6	165	592.4	100.0	161	616.1	99.4	
7	289	597.5	99.7	289	607.5	100.0	
8	121	591.4	100.0	126	608.2	100.0	

2014	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
6	358	589.5	99.7	359	594.2	99.7	
7	294	594.0	99.7	294	604.0	99.0	
8	264	597.9	99.2	264	608.8	99.2	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
6	176	591.8	100.0	183	610.8	99.5	
7	293	614.4	98.7	292	598.5	98.3	
8	131	600.9	100.0	133	607.8	99.3	

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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 1001030

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	649.8	650.2	631.4	653.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
Male	645.0	651.2	632.0	655.4	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
Female	655.0	649.1	630.7	651.6	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
White	679.5	684.6	664.1	683.4	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	621.0	614.6	597.3	623.9	99.6	99.8	99.8	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	679.0	697.7	668.6	682.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	626.4	631.0	613.1	638.2	100.0	99.9	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	593.7	588.8	578.8	605.4	98.9	99.5	99.6	N/A
Limited English Proficient	624.2	630.5	610.5	634.9	100.0	99.9	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	623.4	619.8	602.6	626.7	99.7	99.8	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)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
<b>Grades 6 - 8</b>								
All Students	635.0	642.3	641.9	645.6	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
Male	628.2	641.1	640.6	649.3	99.8	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	642.1	643.5	643.3	641.6	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	666.5	673.9	675.3	676.1	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	602.4	607.9	606.3	612.4	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	669.6	695.7	685.8	688.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	614.7	627.1	622.0	631.9	99.6	99.6	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	571.8	583.6	581.4	593.4	99.4	99.5	99.4	N/A
Limited English Proficient	610.7	628.2	618.9	632.0	99.7	99.7	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	606.1	612.3	610.6	616.4	99.8	99.8	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)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
<b>Grades 9 - 12</b>								
All Students	234.2	228.4	86.1	77.4	99.0	98.9	100.0	80.4
Male	230.7	229.0	86.0	78.2	98.6	98.4	100.0	74.3
Female	237.6	227.7	86.1	76.5	99.3	99.4	100.0	86.6
White	246.8	243.6	92.4	81.6	99.4	99.4	100.0	88.5
African American	218.9	208.8	77.5	71.7	98.4	98.3	100.0	71.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	243.0	253.4	92.2	85.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	86.2
Hispanic	225.8	221.6	80.7	74.7	100.0	99.4	100.0	74.4
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	204.5	196.4	71.0	68.4	97.6	96.9	100.0	34.7
Limited English Proficient	215.6	214.6	76.8	71.7	100.0	99.1	100.0	73.3
Subsidized Meals	219.5	210.5	78.0	72.0	98.6	98.5	100.0	70.7
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 1001030

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
<b>Grades 9 - 12</b>								
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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Abbreviations for Missing Data

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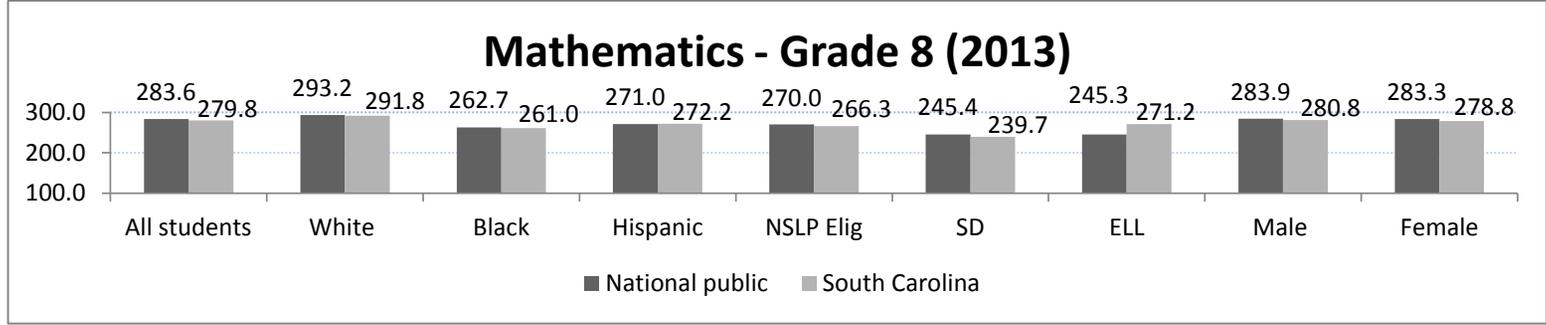
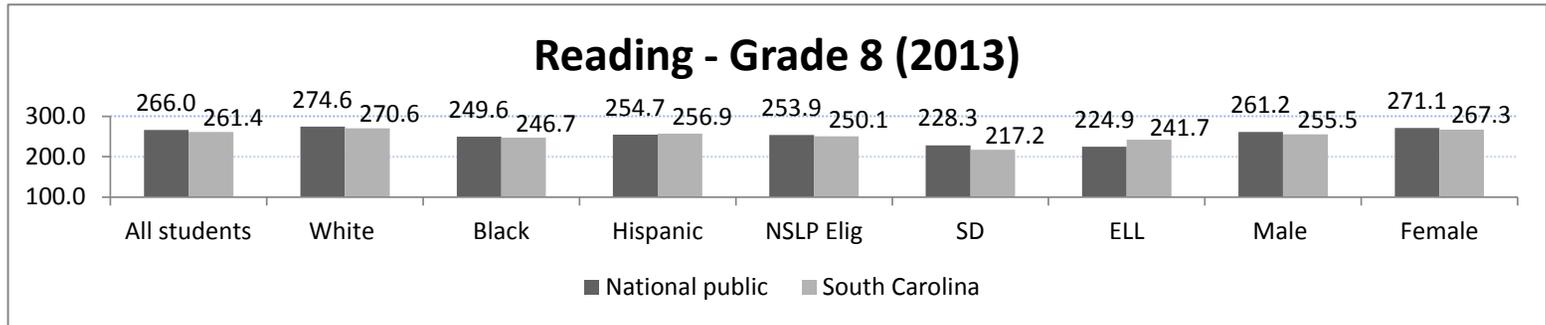
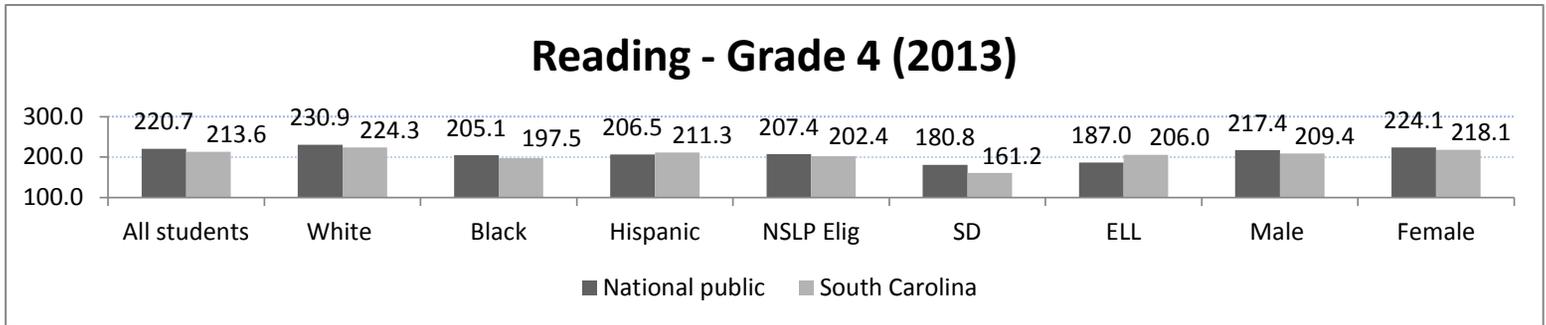
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Key	
NSLP	National school lunch program
SD	Student with disabilities
ELL	English language learner
NAEP	National Association of Education Progress

	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	3

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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