

Granard Middle School

815 West Rutledge Avenue
Gaffney, SC 29341

Grades	6-8 Middle School	
Enrollment	587 Students	
Principal	Dr. J. Mark Bunch	864-206-2302
Superintendent	Dr. Quincie L. Moore	864-902-3500
Board Chair	Mike Ellis	864-206-2233

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

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

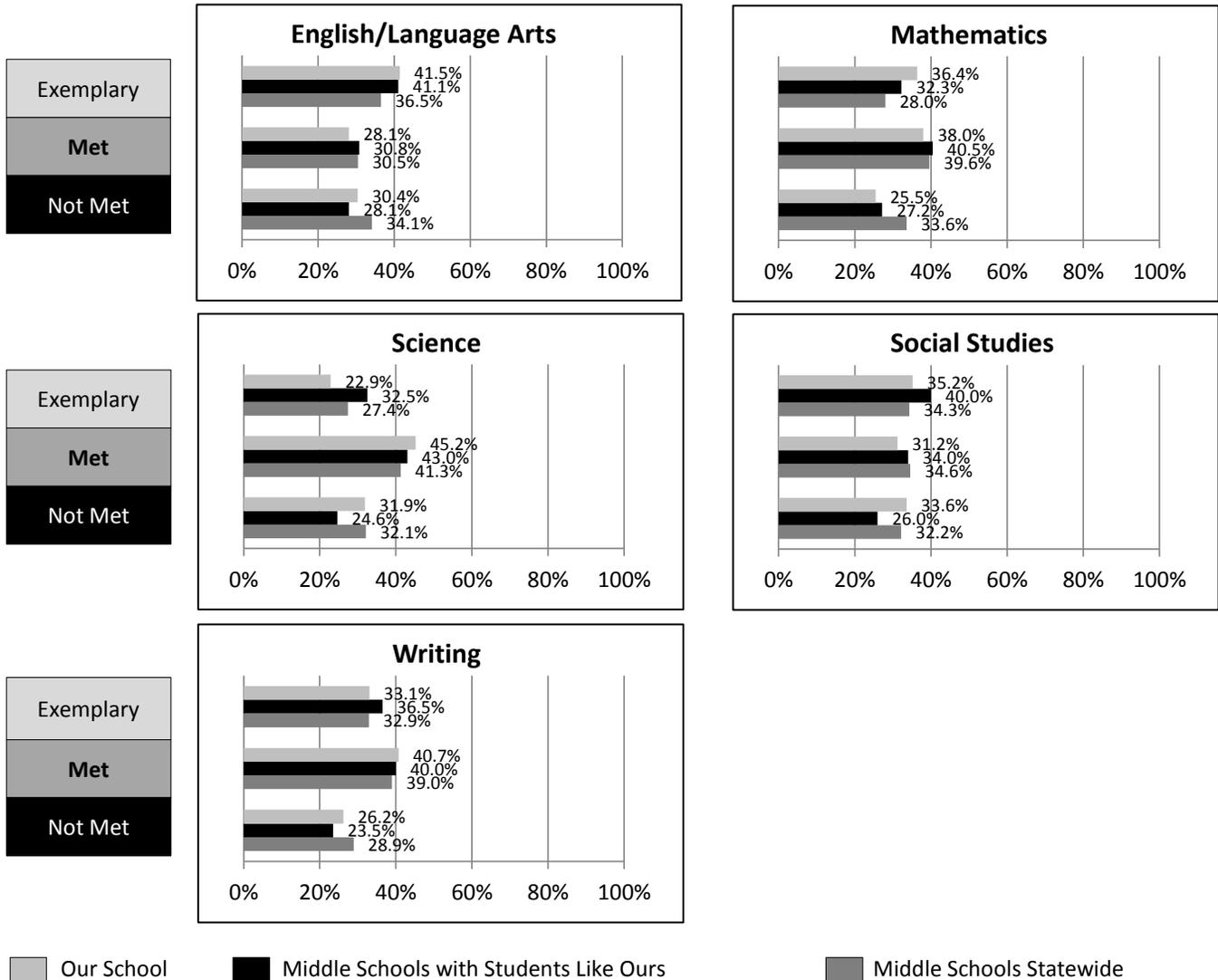
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 98.8%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
10	20	19	1	0

* 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.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n = 587)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	50.0%	Up from 49.8%	36.1%	26.0%
Retention Rate	0.3%	Down from 0.5%	0.7%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	96.5%	Up from 95.8%	96.0%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	27.6%	Up from 26.9%	21.7%	19.4%
With disabilities	7.3%	Down from 7.8%	12.0%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	1.2%	Down from 1.5%	4.2%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.6%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 36)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.7%	Down from 69.4%	64.9%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	80.6%	Down from 83.3%	80.0%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.4%	Up from 90.8%	86.9%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	92.8%	Down from 95.4%	95.2%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,290	Down 0.2%	\$48,117	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	13.0 days	Up from 8.7 days	10.3 days	10.6 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.2 to 1	Up from 16.2 to 1	23.6 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.1%	Down from 89.9%	90.3%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.5%	99.6%	99.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,291	Up 5.4%	\$7,119	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.5%	Down from 69.0%	62.1%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.8%	Down from 67.0%	61.1%	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	100.0%	97.9%
English 1	N/A	94.8%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0%	97.6%

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

This has been a very successful year at Granard Middle School. Our teachers and staff worked diligently to provide a nurturing and academically challenging environment. Our Battle of the Brains team won first runner-up in the Upstate South Carolina Battle of the Brains competition in Spartanburg; a first for Cherokee County! Our school continues to receive a Project Unify Grant which is an education-based project that uses sports and education programs to foster respect, dignity and advocacy for people with intellectual disabilities. We are very proud of our Beta Club who received Beta Club National School of Distinction for 2013-2014. Our students participated in Regional Band, as well as having successful seasons in football, volleyball, and basketball. Our School Report Card score was a "B" and Granard Middle School received the Palmetto Silver Award from the South Carolina Department of Education for test score improvement for the third consecutive year! Students and staff participated in Writing Across the Curriculum. This was a tremendous success as Granard Middle School was awarded Exemplary Writing Award by the South Carolina Department of Education. We continued to stress technology implementation in the classrooms and held school-based training sessions. Additionally, our staff participated in a variety of meaningful professional development opportunities in order to improve classroom performance. Granard Middle School is in the third year of Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS). We continue to be committed to providing a quality educational experience for every student.

Dr. Mark Bunch, Principal

Cassandra Peery, SIC Chair

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	22	186	37
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	86.5%	89.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	83.2%	91.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.4%	93.5%	80.5%

* 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.

Overall Weighted Points Total	82.6
Overall Grade Conversion	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)

Granard 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.
	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	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.1%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	96.5%	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 6-8							
All Students	629.0	641.4	627.5	631.2	100.0	99.5	100.0
Male	623.7	642.6	629.9	634.2	100.0	99.3	100.0
Female	634.2	640.2	625.1	628.3	100.0	99.7	100.0
White	639.0	649.2	636.4	638.0	100.0	99.8	100.0
African American	601.0	615.8	603.8	611.5	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	569.8	583.9	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	615.7	627.5	615.2	618.7	100.0	99.1	100.0
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

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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	193	628.6	100.0	193	634.9	100.0	
7	196	641.8	100.0	196	645.8	100.0	
8	196	635.1	100.0	196	646.1	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	97	606.2	100.0	96	618.6	100.0	
7	196	633.8	100.0	196	640.6	100.0	
8	100	619.9	100.0	96	625.2	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	182	630.2	100.0	182	638.1	100.0	
7	190	621.7	100.0	190	643.2	99.5	
8	200	634.8	100.0	200	642.6	99.0	
		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	90	608.9	100.0	92	611.8	100.0	
7	190	634.4	99.5	190	633.0	99.5	
8	101	631.0	100.0	99	645.9	98.0	

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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 1101004

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	629.6	631.0	611.0	628.4	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
Male	625.1	630.4	611.8	631.0	99.8	100.0	100.0	N/A
Female	634.4	631.7	610.2	625.7	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	640.1	642.1	624.0	637.2	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
African American	607.8	605.5	582.1	608.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	606.1	612.8	592.2	617.3	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	592.7	595.2	584.8	603.6	99.3	99.7	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	603.6	616.2	591.9	615.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	619.2	617.9	600.7	618.0	99.9	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	615.1	626.7	615.0	614.9	99.9	99.7	99.9	N/A
Male	609.3	625.5	615.7	617.3	99.7	99.5	99.7	N/A
Female	620.8	628.0	614.4	612.4	100.0	99.9	100.0	N/A
White	627.0	636.1	625.2	623.3	99.8	99.7	99.8	N/A
African American	589.8	605.3	593.0	597.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	590.4	610.5	595.3	597.7	100.0	98.2	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	553.7	576.9	571.9	578.0	99.6	99.6	99.3	N/A
Limited English Proficient	588.5	616.4	598.6	601.1	100.0	97.3	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	603.0	616.2	605.7	604.5	99.9	99.7	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
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	226.1	223.4	74.4	71.0	99.7	99.3	100.0	79.4
Male	222.2	222.3	74.0	73.1	99.7	99.3	100.0	71.4
Female	229.9	224.6	75.3	69.2	99.7	99.3	100.0	87.1
White	229.7	228.0	77.1	73.9	99.5	99.0	100.0	78.8
African American	218.0	212.2	68.4	64.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	81.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	214.6	212.8	72.6	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0	76.5
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	200.2	194.9	62.4	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0	45.6
Limited English Proficient	213.3	213.2	73.1	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0	80.0
Subsidized Meals	219.5	214.8	70.4	67.4	99.5	99.3	100.0	74.1
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 1101004

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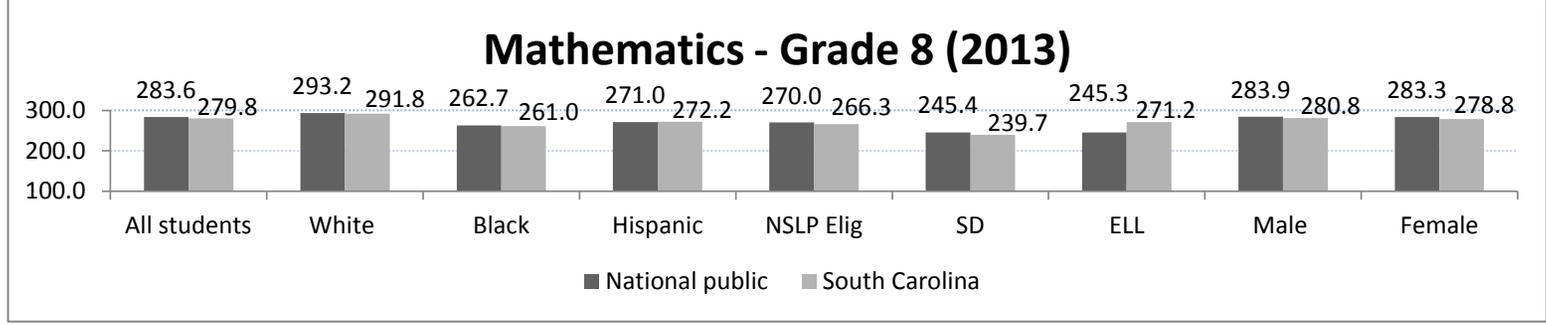
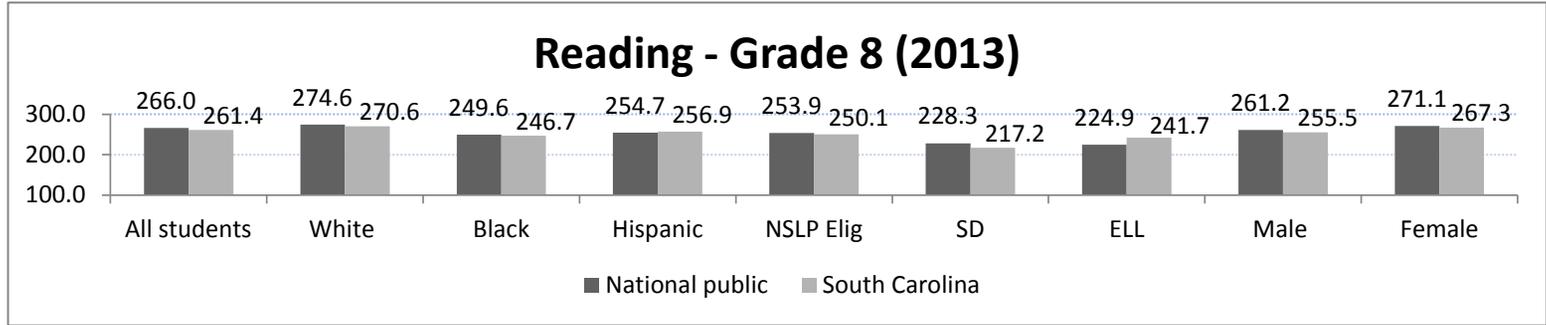
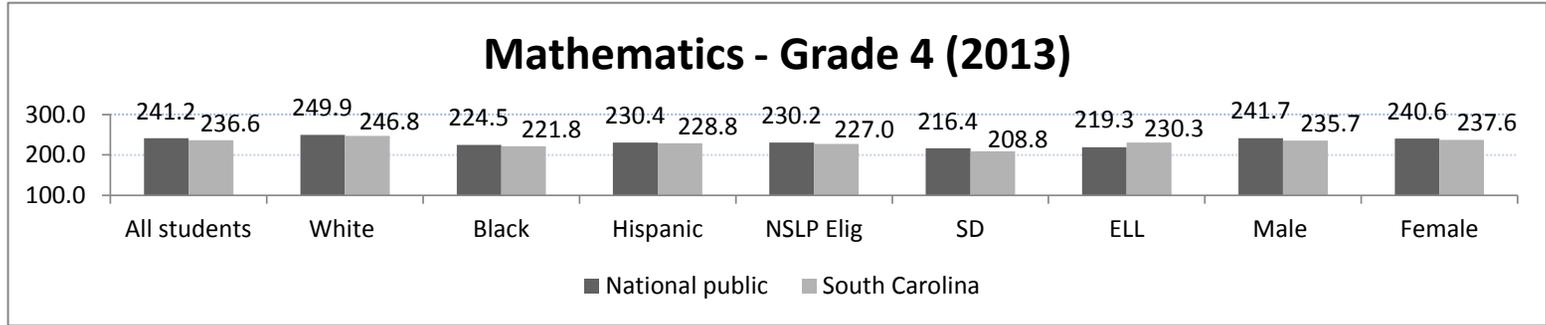
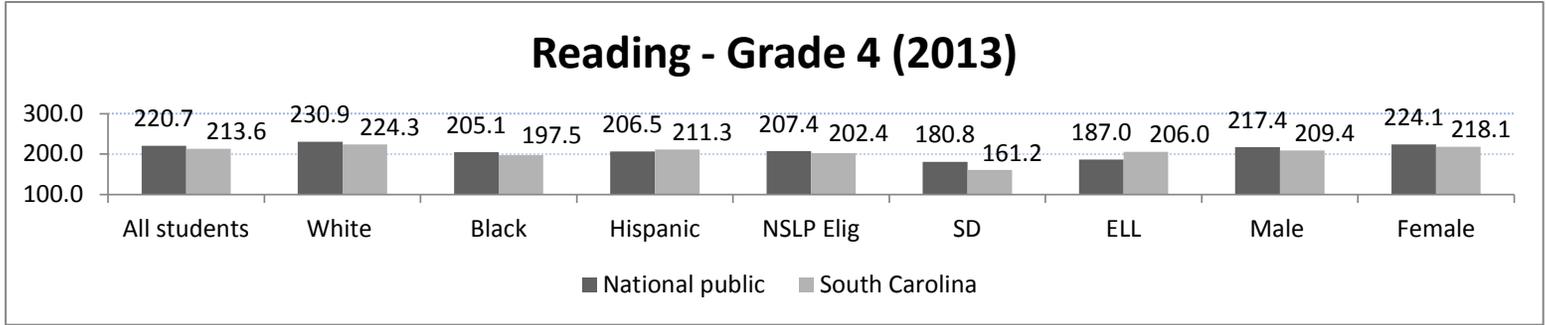
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Key	
NSLP	National school lunch program
SD	Student with disabilities
ELL	English language learner
NAEP	National Association of Education Progress

	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

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