

Greer Middle IB School

3032 East Gap Creek Road
Greer, SC 29651

Grades	6-8 Middle School	
Enrollment	961 Students	
Principal	Bruce Mathis	864-355-5800
Superintendent	Mr. Burke Royster	864-355-3100
Board Chair	Mr. Chuck Saylor	803-360-3527

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	Average
2012	Good	Good
2011	Average	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.

<http://ed.sc.gov>
<http://www.eoc.sc.gov>

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

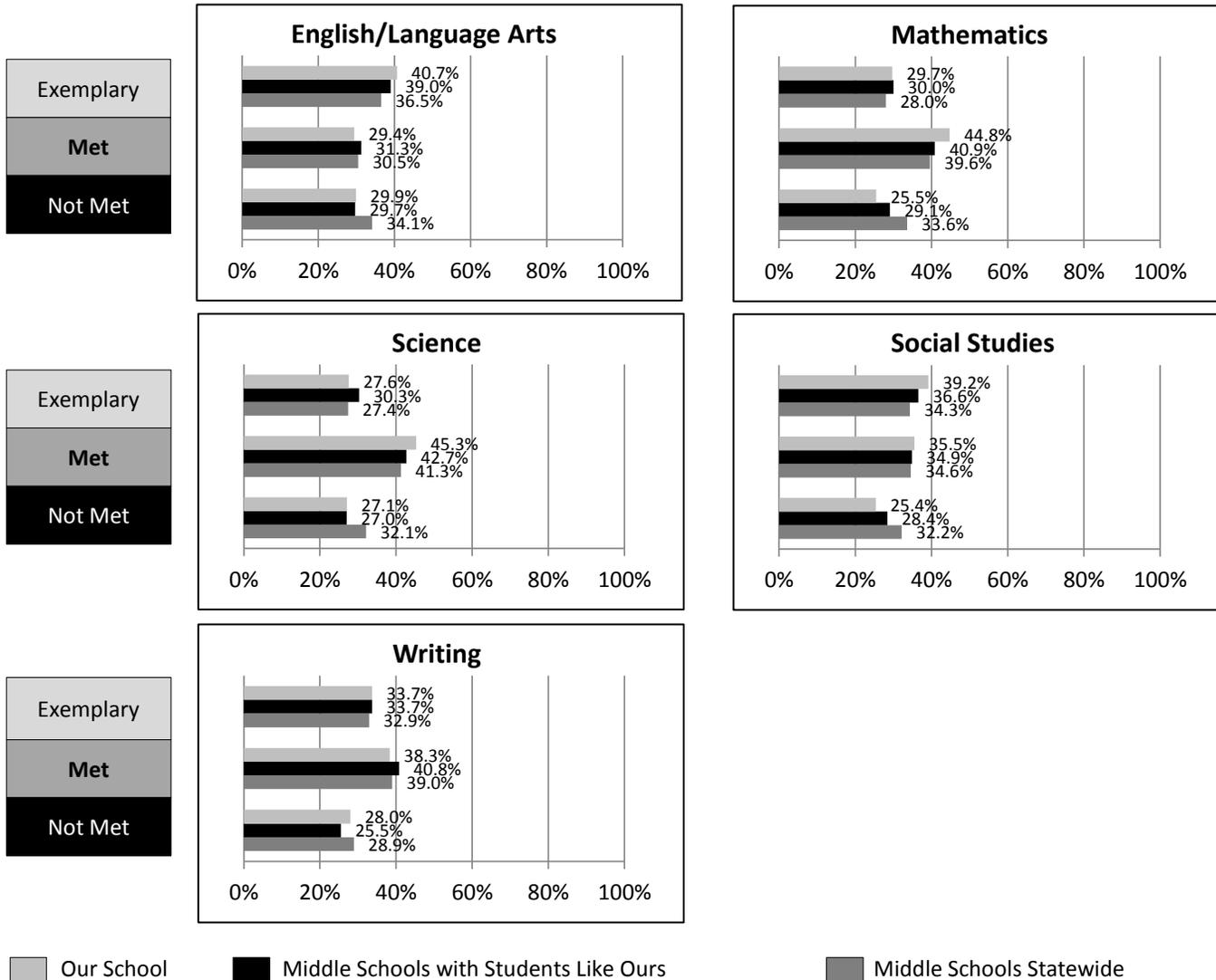
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 96.7%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
8	20	31	2	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 = 961)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	42.6%	Up from 41.1%	34.3%	26.0%
Retention Rate	0.3%	Up from 0.2%	0.9%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	95.9%	Up from 95.8%	96.0%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	18.1%	Up from 16.3%	21.2%	19.4%
With disabilities	15.1%	Down from 16.3%	12.9%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	5.0%	Up from 4.6%	4.6%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.2%	Down from 1.3%	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 57)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	64.9%	Up from 61.1%	64.4%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	80.7%	Down from 83.3%	80.5%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.1%	Down from 91.3%	86.9%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	93.8%	Down from 94.4%	95.0%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,513	Up 0.3%	\$48,406	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	11.5 days	No change	11.0 days	10.6 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 5.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	27.4 to 1	Up from 25.5 to 1	23.6 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.8%	Down from 89.4%	90.0%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Fair	Down from Good	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	95.5%	Down from 98.5%	99.0%	99.0%
Character development program	Average	No change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,858	Up 1.0%	\$7,344	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.4%	Up from 64.0%	62.7%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.5%	Up from 63.0%	61.2%	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	97.2%	98.5%
English 1	100.0%	95.5%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	97.9%	98.1%

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Greer Middle International Baccalaureate School’s mission is to empower learners for a world class education. During the 2013-2013 school year, over 270 students earned high school credit in English I, Algebra I, Geometry, French I, and Spanish I.

Extracurricular activities for GMS students include seven sports teams, visual and performing arts opportunities, an academic team, and participation in intramural athletics at GMS and high school sports at Greer High School. The boys’ and girls’ basketball, softball, and volleyball teams all earned spots in the region playoffs. Twenty GMS students auditioned, and six were selected, to perform with the All-County Band. The GMS Model United Nations Team made it to the formal presentation round at the South Carolina Youth in Government Conference and won team recognition. Our students logged over 4,500 hours of community service in and around Greer, during the school year.

Our students continue to increase their academic success inside the classroom. For the fifth straight year, our Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) scores increased in all three grade levels. Every academic class has an interactive Promethean Board in the classroom to increase student participation in learning.

All of our faculty members are highly qualified, and they continue to seek advanced degrees. As an International Baccalaureate school, students and teacher sponsors participate in events and programs such as Night at the Museum, GMS Sisterhood, which helps sixth grade girls build self-esteem and positive relationships, and the GMS Ambassadors program, which trains students to be leaders at GMS, in their community, and globally. GMS also began a school-wide energy-conservation initiative. Our Career Development Facilitator partnered with 20 businesses in the community to arrange 61 speakers who volunteered over 250 hours with students at GMS.

The cooperative efforts of the staff, PTSA, and SIC increased our parental involvement opportunities. Some of the parental involvement opportunities included: 6th Grade Orientation, 7th/8th Grade Orientation, Washington DC Parent Meeting, PTSA Open House, GMS Book Fair, Night at the Museum, Bring Dads To Lunch, Bring Moms To Lunch, Goodies For Grands, Bring Grandparents To Lunch, Mr. and Miss GMS Pageants, Ambassador End Of Year Luncheon, Celebration of Excellence, Black and Gold Day, and Fall/Spring concerts in Strings, Band, and Chorus.

Greer Christian Learning Center provides opportunities to a total of over 550 students on a weekly basis for release time activities, which are requested by parents and supported by our community.

The school culture and climate of Greer Middle School is regarded as safe and friendly with a high rate of student, parent, and staff satisfaction with the school environment. Greer Middle IB School follows a model of high expectations and continuous improvement as we strive to be on the cutting edge of student achievement.

Bruce Mathis, Principal

Anne Marie Wall, SIC Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	57	267	90
Percent satisfied with learning environment	63.2%	73.0%	87.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	75.8%	67.9%	81.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	70.7%	81.8%	70.3%

* 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	79.9
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)

Greer Middle IB 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	1.2	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.8	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.6%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	95.9%	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	628.4	632.2	634.1	638.1	99.9	99.9	99.8
Male	619.7	629.4	636.0	638.9	99.8	99.8	99.7
Female	637.8	635.3	632.1	637.2	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	640.5	642.7	647.7	649.3	99.8	99.8	100.0
African American	608.2	612.6	608.9	617.9	100.0	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	613.8	620.5	620.5	627.2	100.0	100.0	99.2
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	577.8	586.8	591.5	590.7	99.4	99.4	100.0
Limited English Proficient	612.4	617.6	619.6	624.3	100.0	100.0	99.1
Subsidized Meals	614.6	618.7	620.8	624.4	100.0	100.0	99.7
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	336	633.2	100.0	336	630.6	100.0	
7	308	634.3	100.0	308	630.3	100.0	
8	295	629.4	100.0	295	624.5	99.7	
		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	166	627.9	98.2	170	645.6	100.0	
7	308	634.7	100.0	308	634.6	100.0	
8	150	622.4	98.7	145	636.7	99.3	

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	321	631.1	99.7	321	627.4	99.1	
7	345	630.6	100.0	345	637.7	99.4	
8	302	623.3	100.0	302	631.2	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	159	620.3	98.1	163	652.3	99.4	
7	345	644.6	99.4	342	629.7	98.8	
8	149	624.7	98.0	153	641.5	100.0	

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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 2301060

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	653.2	656.8	635.5	654.3	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
Male	648.2	656.6	636.6	655.4	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
Female	658.6	657.0	634.3	653.2	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
White	667.1	672.0	650.8	665.7	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
African American	627.0	624.4	607.2	631.6	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	682.1	699.7	661.2	682.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	635.0	640.4	616.0	640.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	658.7	663.3	638.6	662.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
With Disabilities	605.9	602.3	592.0	615.3	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
Limited English Proficient	638.0	648.1	620.5	642.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	632.4	632.1	614.4	634.8	100.0	100.0	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	634.8	639.1	642.2	645.5	99.9	100.0	99.9	N/A
Male	627.4	637.8	642.8	648.2	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Female	642.5	640.6	641.5	642.7	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
White	649.3	653.0	658.7	658.8	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
African American	607.1	609.2	609.1	618.1	99.9	99.9	99.8	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	664.5	687.8	680.0	682.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	615.9	623.3	623.3	629.6	100.0	100.0	99.9	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	641.9	643.7	645.0	657.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
With Disabilities	576.3	584.3	585.8	593.5	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
Limited English Proficient	615.6	626.9	624.2	632.1	99.9	100.0	99.9	N/A
Subsidized Meals	612.4	616.2	617.8	622.9	99.9	99.9	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)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	233.8	226.3	84.8	78.0	99.7	99.6	100.0	82.5
Male	229.9	226.4	85.0	78.9	99.6	99.4	100.0	78.6
Female	237.8	226.2	84.5	77.1	99.7	99.8	100.0	86.7
White	239.4	233.0	88.2	80.6	99.7	99.7	100.0	86.5
African American	221.9	210.7	77.4	72.3	99.6	99.4	100.0	74.1
Asian/Pacific Islander	245.0	249.9	91.3	83.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	93.2
Hispanic	226.4	218.8	79.5	73.7	99.7	99.8	100.0	77.3
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	84.6
With Disabilities	205.9	197.1	71.8	69.4	99.1	98.5	100.0	43.1
Limited English Proficient	219.9	213.5	77.0	71.4	99.8	100.0	100.0	70.5
Subsidized Meals	222.8	213.5	78.6	72.9	99.4	99.4	100.0	70.8
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 2301060

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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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 7

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