

Bell Street Middle School

600 Peachtree Street
Clinton, SC 29325

Grades	6-8 Middle School	
Enrollment	663 Students	
Principal	Brenda Romines	864-833-0807
Superintendent	David C. O'Shields	864-833-0800
Board Chair	Jim Barton	864-833-4877

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

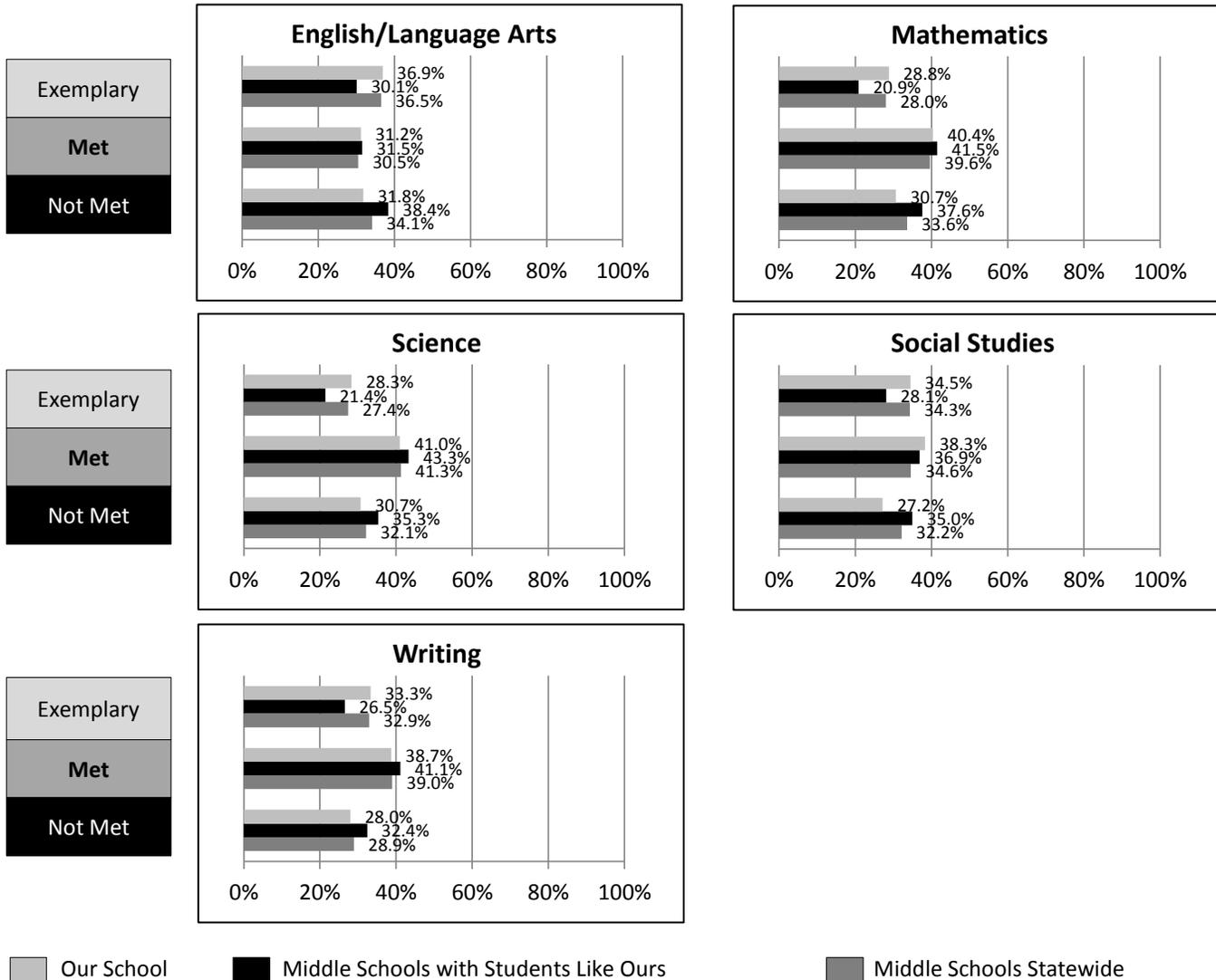
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 97.6%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
1	2	50	7	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 = 663)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	19.0%	Down from 49.5%	20.0%	26.0%
Retention Rate	0.0%	Down from 0.9%	1.0%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	96.5%	Up from 95.7%	96.1%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	20.9%	Up from 20.3%	14.8%	19.4%
With disabilities	17.3%	Up from 15.1%	14.3%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	4.4%	Down from 5.8%	6.1%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.3%	Up from 0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 40)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.0%	Down from 58.5%	60.0%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	82.5%	Up from 70.7%	74.8%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.1%	Up from 79.8%	83.2%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Up from 93.7%	95.0%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,726	Down 3.8%	\$46,574	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	8.2 days	Down from 12.4 days	11.6 days	10.6 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.6 to 1	Up from 18.6 to 1	20.5 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.8%	Up from 88.3%	90.0%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.7%	Up from 97.0%	99.0%	99.0%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Average	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,855	Up 4.1%	\$7,457	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.9%	Down from 63.0%	61.5%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.5%	Up from 60.0%	60.3%	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%	96.8%
English 1	N/A	94.7%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0%	96.7%

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

The 2013-2014 school year at Bell Street Middle School has been a year of growth and accomplishments. Approximately 700 students are served on two campuses. 100 of our 8th graders are served in the Institute for Student Advancement Program at Clinton High School. The effective planning by administration, teachers, parents, students, and district operations staff helped to set the foundation for a productive school year. This school year Bell Street invited parents to participate in Family Fridays where they had an opportunity to visit classrooms and meet the staff.

Our Math and Science teachers are part of a research pilot study sponsored by Boeing called the IQ-MS project. Teachers learn instructional strategies in disciplinary literacy to increase academic performance in science and math. Our Language Arts teachers were part of the South Carolina Literacy Matters projects. Teachers used data to inform instructional decision-making in reading classrooms. Bell Street Middle School continues to learn and grow as part of the South Carolina Teacher Advancement Program. Teachers are working collaboratively to increase classroom instruction and learning on a weekly basis during TAP cluster meetings.

Students at Bell Street Middle School had the opportunity to participate in Chinese. Students learned about Chinese culture, customs, and language.

Bell Street Middle has had a rich tradition of honoring and celebrating success. Both our volleyball team and basketball team were awarded Little River Conference Champions. Our Science Olympiad Team won the state championship for the 12th year in a row. Our Special Olympic Teams earned many medals throughout the state in various competitions. The members of the band were outstanding with top recognitions at competitions. In the arts, athletics, and academics many students were recognized for their hard work and accomplishments.

We are so proud of our students and staff at Bell Street Middle School and look forward to building upon the goals and accomplishments of the 2013-2014 school year. At Bell Street Middle School, we aim to produce ethical and productive citizens by achieving excellence, embracing innovation, and forging new traditions.

Brenda Romines, Principal

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	46	213	77
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.7%	77.5%	77.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.6%	80.8%	74.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.4%	91.1%	63.7%

* 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	82.1
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)

Bell Street 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	N/A	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	20.7%	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	624.9	632.2	634.4	635.2	99.8	99.8	99.8
Male	618.7	627.9	634.1	636.4	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	631.6	637.0	634.6	634.1	99.7	99.7	99.5
White	638.1	644.9	645.6	648.2	99.7	99.7	99.6
African American	604.3	610.5	612.8	614.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	619.0	639.9	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	575.2	582.1	582.7	582.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	614.5	621.8	624.6	624.8	99.8	99.8	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	225	634.7	100.0	225	645.2	100.0	
7	221	626.3	100.0	221	627.0	100.0	
8	243	626.5	100.0	243	624.3	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	113	633.7	100.0	112	652.2	100.0	
7	221	625.6	100.0	221	615.4	100.0	
8	121	629.6	100.0	122	622.4	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	200	633.1	100.0	200	640.6	100.0	
7	223	627.4	99.6	223	636.9	99.1	
8	233	615.1	100.0	233	620.3	100.0	
		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	100	629.5	100.0	99	660.2	99.0	
7	223	639.4	99.1	223	625.0	99.1	
8	116	628.8	100.0	117	632.7	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 3056017

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	632.1	635.5	622.4	640.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Male	628.2	635.3	626.0	639.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Female	635.7	635.7	619.4	640.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
White	643.6	648.4	637.1	650.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
African American	616.6	619.4	603.2	625.5	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	634.8	628.1	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	597.3	598.3	586.0	607.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	623.3	624.7	614.6	628.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	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	624.9	632.2	634.4	635.2	99.8	99.8	99.8	N/A
Male	618.7	627.9	634.1	636.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Female	631.6	637.0	634.6	634.1	99.7	99.7	99.5	N/A
White	638.1	644.9	645.6	648.2	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
African American	604.3	610.5	612.8	614.7	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	619.0	639.9	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	575.2	582.1	582.7	582.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	614.5	621.8	624.6	624.8	99.8	99.8	99.7	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	223.4	216.0	79.1	70.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	77.8
Male	220.3	217.4	78.9	73.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	74.2
Female	226.9	214.5	79.3	69.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	82.2
White	228.2	222.3	83.1	73.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	75.9
African American	216.6	206.6	73.2	67.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	80.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	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	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	197.6	190.4	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	41.7
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	218.7	209.7	76.5	68.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	76.6
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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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	1

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