

Boiling Springs Middle School

4801 Highway 9
Inman, SC 29349

Grades	6-8 Middle School	
Enrollment	1,090 Students	
Principal	Penelope S. Atkinson	864-578-5954
Superintendent	Dr. Scott J. Mercer	864-578-0128
Board Chair	Jack A. Mabry, Jr.	864-494-8266

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Good	Average
2013	Good	Average
2012	Excellent	Good
2011	Good	Average
2010	Excellent	Excellent

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

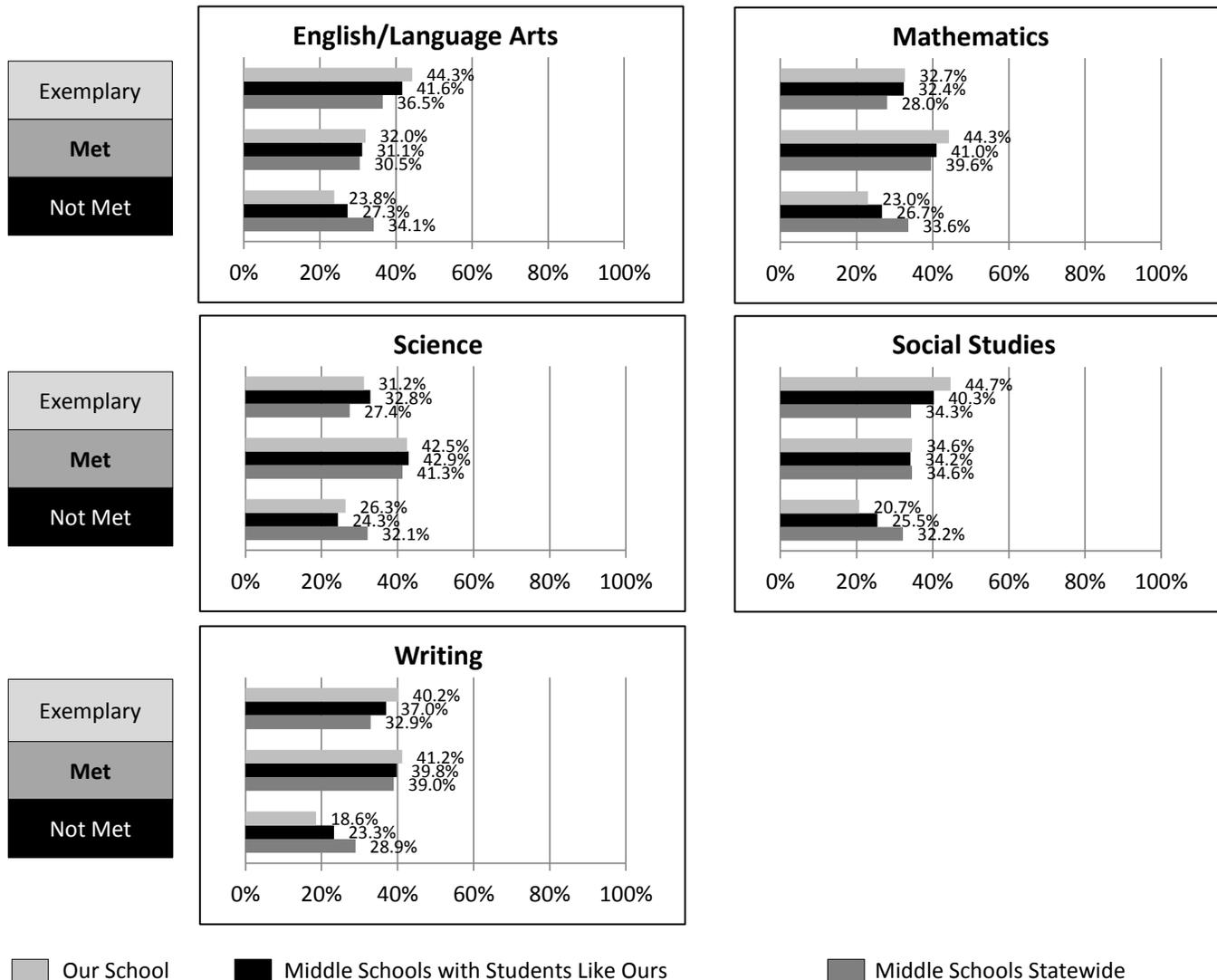
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 97.2%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
10	19	16	0	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 = 1,090)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	19.2%	Up from 16.2%	34.9%	26.0%
Retention Rate	0.0%	Down from 1.1%	0.7%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	99.9%	Up from 99.2%	96.3%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	20.7%	Up from 18.9%	22.5%	19.4%
With disabilities	11.8%	Up from 10.5%	11.8%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	3.0%	Down from 3.1%	4.1%	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 = 63)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.8%	Up from 48.4%	60.0%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	84.1%	Up from 67.7%	80.7%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.4%	Up from 73.0%	87.2%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 93.8%	95.3%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,264	Up 3.3%	\$47,993	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	10.0 days	Up from 1.0 days	10.4 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	23.1 to 1	Down from 23.8 to 1	23.6 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	95.2%	Up from 92.2%	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%	No change	99.6%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,644	Up 0.4%	\$7,186	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.2%	Up from 65.0%	62.6%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	64.7%	Up from 64.0%	61.4%	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%	98.3%
English 1	100.0%	98.3%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0%	98.0%

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Boiling Springs Middle School is a student-centered school community that allows students to reach their full potential. During the 2013-2014 school year, enrollment for sixth, seventh and eighth grade totaled 1,092 students. Our school community celebrated numerous successes from the classroom to the fine arts stage to the athletic fields. Our focus is to make decisions that are best for all children.

Our academic successes were measured by the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) and state testing from the previous school year. Our ESEA score was 96.6 out of 100. We were awarded the Palmetto Silver Award for Closing the Achievement Gap. We were one of the Palmetto's Finest Finalists for 2013-2014. Over 130 eighth graders were enrolled in high school credit courses. Students achieved a 100 percent passing rate on the End-of-Course test in English I and Algebra I. We recognized 26 eighth graders who earned Junior Scholar status the PSAT. Six eighth graders were chosen to attend the Scholar's Academy at USC Upstate, and four eighth graders were invited into the inaugural class of the Spartanburg County Middle College High School at Spartanburg Community College. One of our eighth graders was recognized as the Outstanding Athlete at Special Olympics this spring. Math Counts finished in the top four of their competition, and Battle of the Brains finished in the Elite Eight.

Our school community is fortunate to offer a multitude of fine arts opportunities with over 300 students participating. Our seventh grade chorus received an excellent rating at the South Carolina Choral Directors Association, and our orchestra received excellent ratings as well. The arts department participated in several community art shows and designed a new mural for our school. Our Junior Beta Club competed at the SC State Beta Club Convention, and one of our seventh grade students was elected SC Junior Beta Club President. Four seventh graders placed in the Top Ten of the SC Dialogue Essay Contest. Two students took first and second place and won a trip to Turkey along with their ELA teacher. The Student Council and Junior Beta Club lead our student body in several community service projects. Our school collected over \$2,500 for the Christmas Elf project. Our students also participated in Pink Day for Breast Cancer Awareness, and we donated over \$300 to our local breast cancer treatment facility.

Parent involvement is an integral part of our school community. Our parents supported our students and school by attending Meet the Teacher Night, parent conferences, fine arts performances, athletic events, and numerous other opportunities. Our PTSO was a tremendous asset in numerous ways. The organization sponsors Student/Teacher Spotlight each grading period, and they recognize students and teachers for achieving academic, athletic, and community accolades.

Boiling Springs Middle School is a student-centered community. Our students, teachers, and parents are proud members of our Bulldog nation, and we strive to be leaders of the pack.

Penelope S. Atkinson, Principal

Melanie Turner, SIC Chair

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	57	324	137
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	80.9%	86.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	98.2%	84.9%	83.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	94.8%	87.4%	68.8%

* 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	91.8
Overall Grade Conversion	A

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)

Boiling Springs 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	0.8	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	13.4%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	99.9%	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	636.8	639.6	637.0	647.8	99.8	99.8	99.9
Male	628.2	637.7	637.9	650.2	99.8	99.8	100.0
Female	646.1	641.8	636.0	645.3	99.8	99.8	99.7
White	647.5	648.6	647.0	656.3	99.7	99.7	99.8
African American	616.6	618.6	615.6	631.1	100.0	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	639.7	643.4	641.3	657.5	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hispanic	612.3	623.8	619.3	626.2	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	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Limited English Proficient	613.5	626.3	618.6	633.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Subsidized Meals	618.1	624.7	622.8	630.1	99.7	99.7	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	367	639.8	100.0	367	644.5	100.0	
7	354	632.2	99.7	354	637.9	99.7	
8	363	645.2	100.0	363	640.2	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	185	636.1	100.0	182	665.1	100.0	
7	354	637.9	99.7	354	640.9	99.7	
8	183	641.8	100.0	180	653.2	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	352	643.9	99.7	352	649.9	99.4	
7	373	624.5	99.7	373	633.0	99.7	
8	360	642.5	100.0	360	636.3	99.4	
		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	632.4	99.4	176	677.5	99.4	
7	373	636.5	99.7	373	628.2	99.7	
8	182	642.5	100.0	178	659.1	98.9	

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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 4202014

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	648.7	651.1	633.2	649.6	99.6	99.8	99.9	N/A
Male	644.2	651.2	635.1	650.9	99.7	99.8	99.9	N/A
Female	653.4	650.9	631.3	648.3	99.6	99.8	99.9	N/A
White	653.6	655.8	639.0	653.3	99.7	99.8	99.9	N/A
African American	632.5	628.7	612.8	635.0	99.6	100.0	99.4	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	648.6	654.2	634.1	661.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	629.5	639.7	612.3	634.9	99.1	99.5	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	601.5	598.7	590.1	607.8	97.5	98.9	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	633.4	645.4	619.6	644.1	99.7	99.7	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	634.8	637.0	619.7	635.8	99.6	99.8	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	644.2	643.9	650.0	652.8	99.7	99.7	99.8	N/A
Male	637.2	642.1	650.4	656.2	99.8	99.8	99.9	N/A
Female	652.1	645.9	649.7	649.0	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
White	650.7	649.1	657.1	657.6	99.6	99.6	99.8	N/A
African American	622.6	621.5	624.1	634.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	647.1	653.2	651.1	666.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	617.8	626.6	626.7	633.4	100.0	100.0	99.3	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	600.9	596.8	604.0	609.7	98.4	98.4	99.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	621.7	634.9	631.0	643.4	100.0	100.0	99.6	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.6	630.6	635.3	639.0	99.7	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	231.6	226.1	82.8	75.0	99.5	99.5	100.0	82.9
Male	228.8	227.0	82.9	76.1	99.3	99.3	100.0	77.5
Female	235.3	224.9	82.6	73.7	99.7	99.7	100.0	88.6
White	233.6	228.3	84.6	76.1	99.5	99.5	100.0	81.9
African American	224.9	213.6	77.3	70.9	98.9	98.9	100.0	87.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	227.0	228.3	78.5	74.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	95.8
Hispanic	225.0	221.8	77.8	71.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	79.6
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	203.6	197.5	71.2	66.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	41.9
Limited English Proficient	216.0	215.7	72.5	70.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	73.6
Subsidized Meals	225.6	219.6	79.2	71.8	99.4	99.4	100.0	75.9
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 4202014

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	3

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