



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Aiken Middle School**  
**AIKEN COUNTY**

**Grades: 6-8**

**Enrollment: 576**

**Principal: John Bradley**

**Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt**

**Board Chair: Mrs. Rosemary B. English**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Below Average	Average	TBD	TBD	F	N/A
2013	Below Average	Average	N/A	N/A	D	N/A
2012	Below Average	Average	N/A	N/A	F	N/A

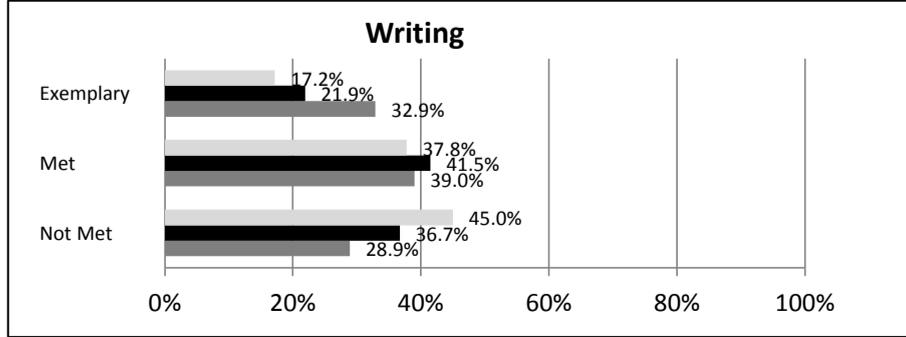
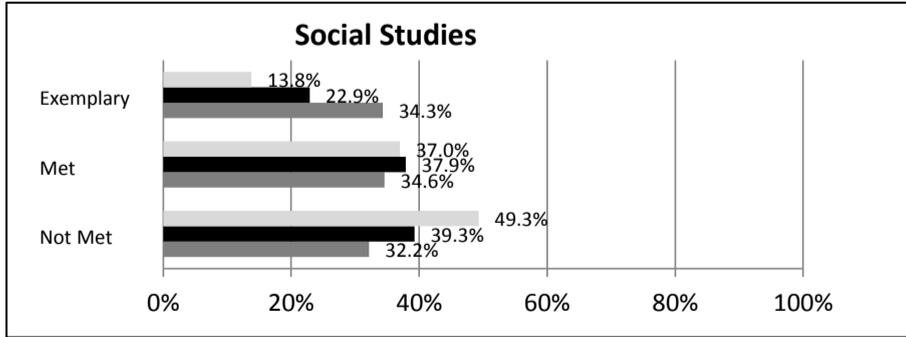
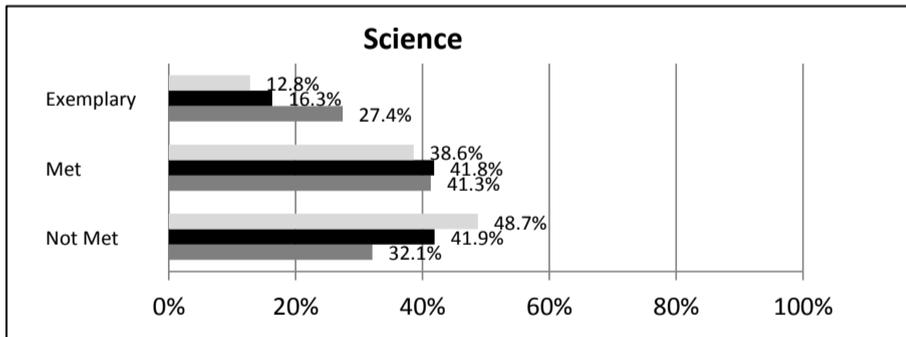
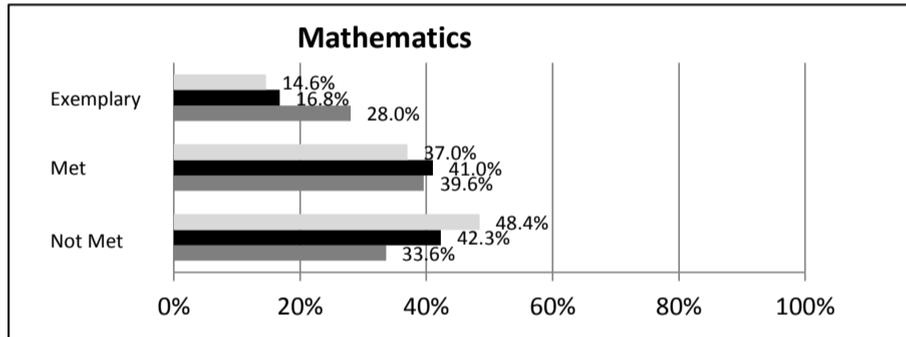
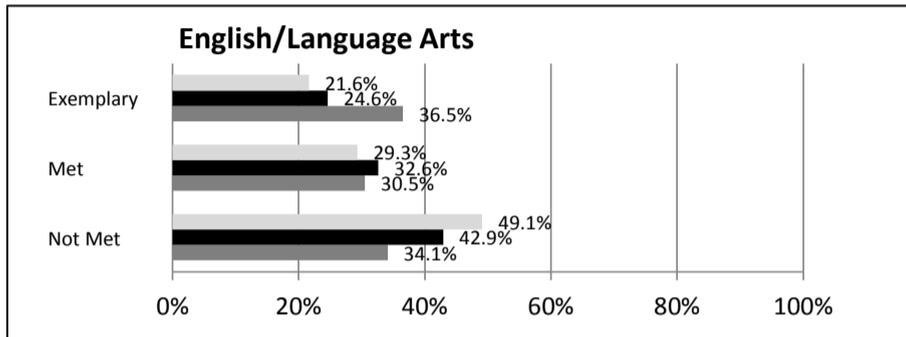
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	41	15	1

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

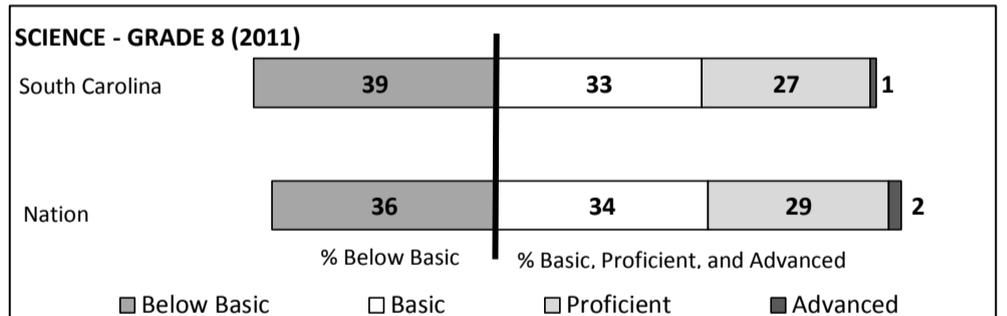
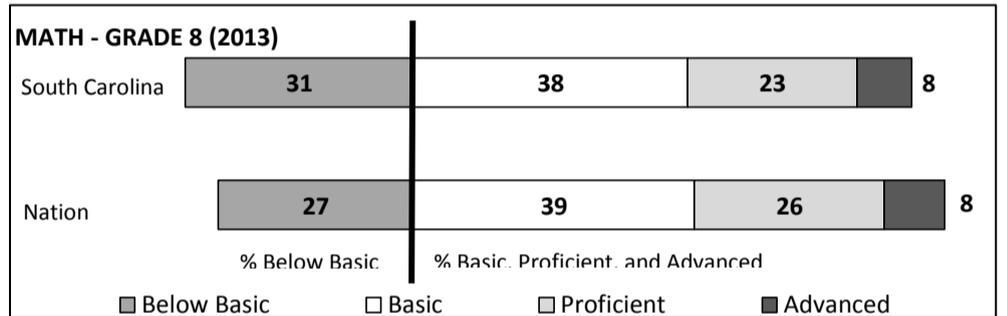
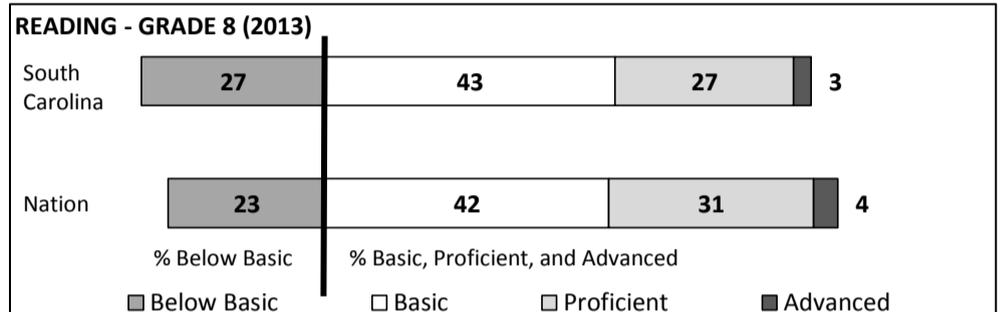
## SC PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle Schools Statewide



## NAEP\*

\*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014

% of Students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0%	96.6%
English 1	100.0%	93.5%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0%	95.9%

## SC 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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**SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle Schools
<b>Students (n = 576)</b>				
Students Enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	44.6%	Down from 52.3%	18.1%	26.0%
Retention rate	0.5%	Up from 0.2%	1.0%	0.6%
Attendance rate	94.1%	Down from 94.7%	95.9%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	14.3%	Up from 11.5%	13.0%	19.4%
With disabilities	15.4%	Up from 15.0%	14.9%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	6.5%	Down from 7.0%	6.1%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.9%	Up from 1.4%	1.0%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n = 35)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	51.4%	Down from 61.1%	58.0%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	54.3%	Down from 69.4%	70.1%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.0%	Down from 85.1%	83.2%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Up from 94.0%	95.0%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,919	Down 3.9%	\$46,459	\$47,081
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.9%	Down from 7.0%	7.1%	5.8%
Professional development days/teacher	12.7 days	Down from 12.8 days	11.4 days	10.6 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	N/R	N/A	19.8 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.5%	Down from 87.6%	89.7%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.2%	Down from 99.2%	98.9%	99.0%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Average	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,444	Down 13.8%	\$8,369	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.1%	Down from 65.0%	59.9%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.5%	Up from 60.0%	58.5%	61.3%
ESEA composite index score	49.8	Down from 60.0	66.3	77.9

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\*Prior year audited financial data available.

**EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	26	150	28
Percent satisfied with learning environment	53.9%	54.0%	64.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	51.8%	55.7%	58.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	50.0%	75.7%	44.8%

\*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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**REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL**

During the 2013/2014 school year, Aiken Middle School has experienced some exciting changes. The faculty and staff have spent more time addressing the changes brought about by the CCSS and have had a primary focus on student writing and using a variety of classroom teaching techniques. Our school has offered parent workshops on violence prevention and extended opportunities for parents to participate in activities with their students. We have given out many awards for good grades and behavior and started several good behavior reward programs. We have provided new and exciting technology for classroom use.

Our student clubs and organizations have experienced a successful year. Our Academic Team performed well again this year and finished second in the district. Our athletic teams had competitive seasons. Our Student Council and BETA Clubs participated in numerous projects to aid our school and community. We held canned food drives, a basketball rodeo, and a fund raiser for a family in need in our community. The Buddy Club was formed and allowed for more meaningful interactions between our special needs students and their peers. Our band was honored as the Best Band in the Aiken Christmas Parade. Our school guidance counselor formed the My Campus Community organization to address the needs of our student body to include an anti-bullying campaign and positive peer interactions. We also welcomed several outside agencies with programs to mentor our students. These programs offered guidance to young gentlemen and ladies. Topics included self-respect, strategies to improve school performance, and positive decision making skills.

Members of our faculty and staff have continued to further their educations and their knowledge in order to continuously improve classroom instruction. Our school participated in numerous professional development activities throughout the year. Several teachers were awarded grants to purchase supplies to be used in the classrooms. Our school has also completed the process of preparing our strategic plan as a tool to guide us as we look to improve the rigor, relevance, and relationships within our building and community.

Purpose Statement: The purpose of Aiken Middle School is to educate students to be successful, self-sufficient seekers of new knowledge and citizens who are actively engaged in their community and the world.

John Bradley, Principal

Tina Burrell, SIC Chair

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