

E. L. Wright Middle School

2740 Alpine Road
Columbia, SC 29223



South Carolina State Report Card

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This year, the report card has been updated to reflect changes in reporting directed by the SC Education Oversight Committee. Schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017 when the state will transition to a single accountability system. The following reports student performance in school year 2014-15.

Grades:	K-8 Middle	Principal:	Mary Paige Wylie
Enrollment:	1,364 students	Superintendent:	Dr. Debbie Hamm
School Phone:	803-736-8740	Board Chair:	The Honorable Calvin "Chip" Jackson
School Website:	https://www.richland2.org/elwm/pages/default.aspx		



Profile of the SC Graduate

World Class Knowledge

- Rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness
- Multiple languages, science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and social sciences*

World Class Skills

- Creativity and innovation
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Communication, information, media and technology
- Knowing how to learn

Life and Career Characteristics

- Integrity
- Self-direction
- Global perspective
- Perseverance
- Work ethic
- Interpersonal skills

WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by ...

What a great year with so many areas to celebrate our excellence at E. L. Wright Middle School! Hosting the SCMLEA's Showcase for Learning this year gave us the opportunity to open our doors to other midlands area educators to share best practices and highlight great teaching in action. A student guided event, this Showcase put E. L. Wright teachers in the forefront as a strong and positive school climate. Our 7th and 8th grade orchestras combined to compete in the Carowinds Festival of Music and came away with a SUPERIOR rating for the fourth year in a row. Our choral students distinguished themselves with an EXCELLENT rating, underscoring our district and school's commitment to the arts in education. As a continued part of our service learning efforts, our amazing students raised money to send girls to school in Afghanistan, made donations to Make-A-Wish foundation, Relay for Life and United Way. All efforts continue to support our wildly important goal of high school readiness : Three to Get Ready! Our incredibly dedicated teaching staff keeps our focus on creating an academically engaging and relationship-building culture as we continue to challenge ourselves to be better at everything every school year. Go Warriors!

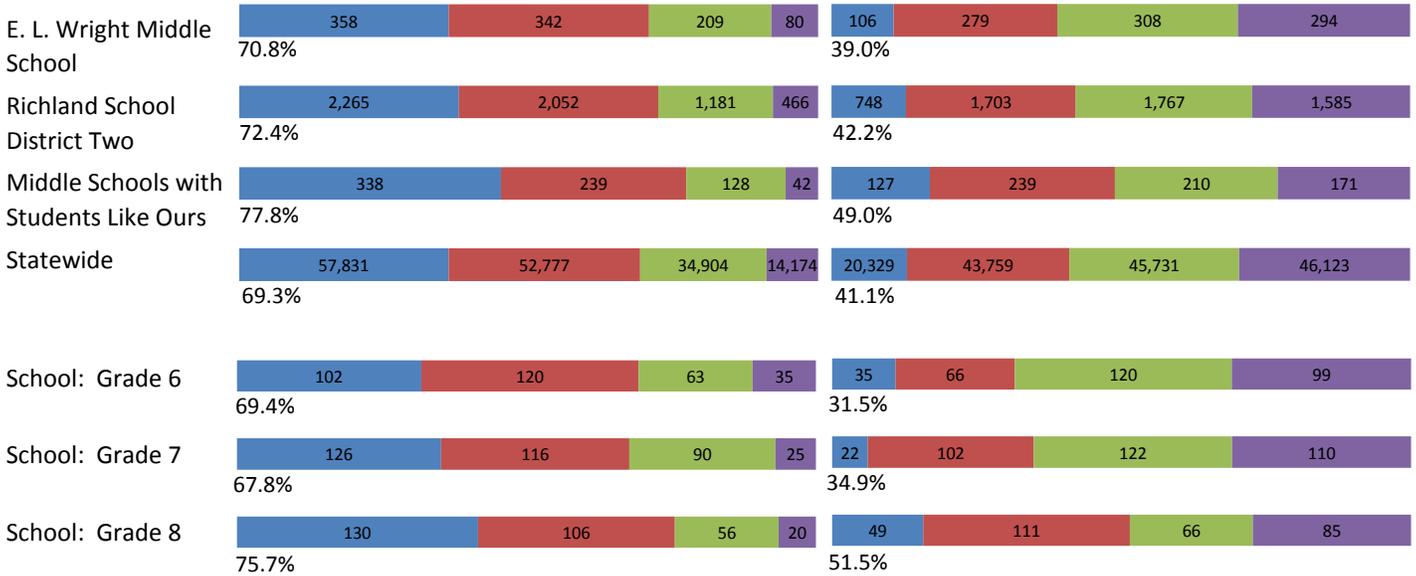
* 21st Century core courses in Social Sciences include History, Geography, Economics, Government and Civics.

KNOWLEDGE

The ACT Aspire assessment was given to students in grades 3-8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Reading, English, Mathematics and Writing

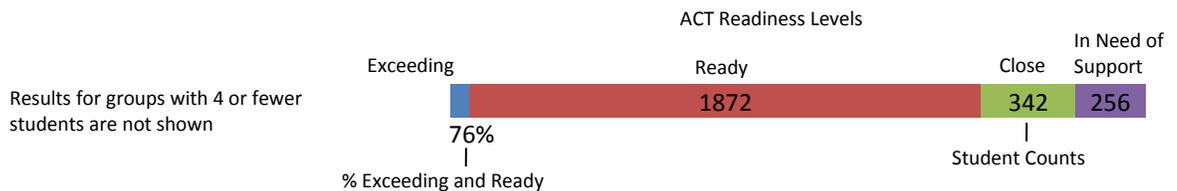
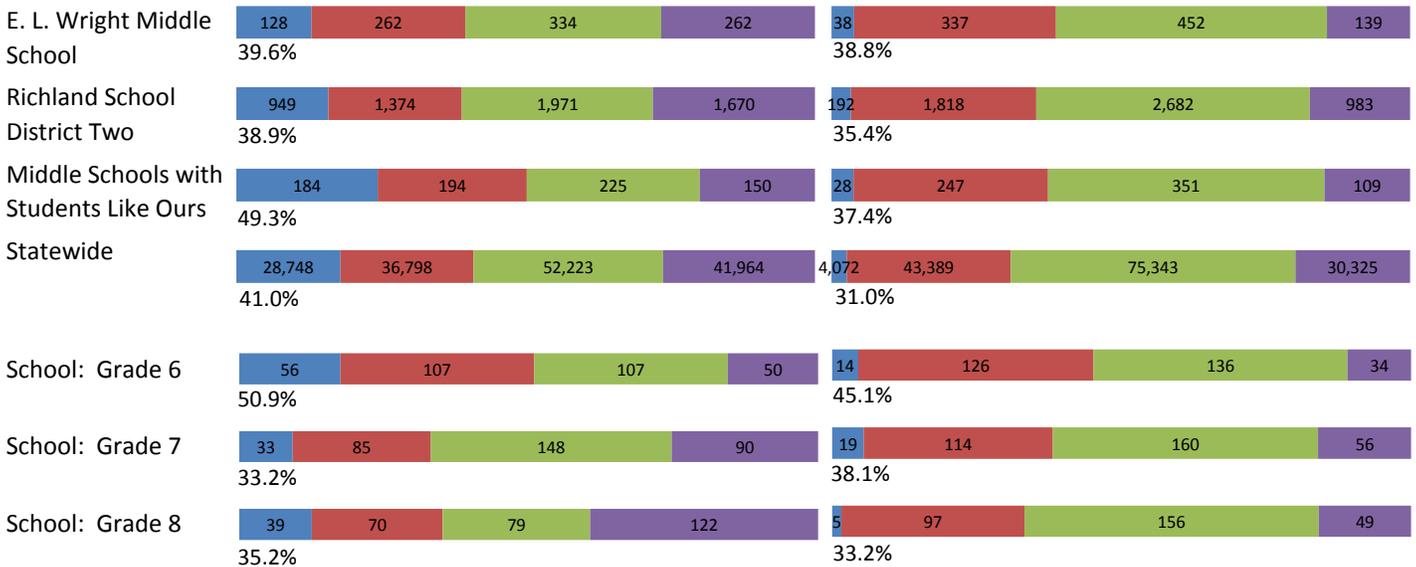
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READING



MATHEMATICS

WRITING



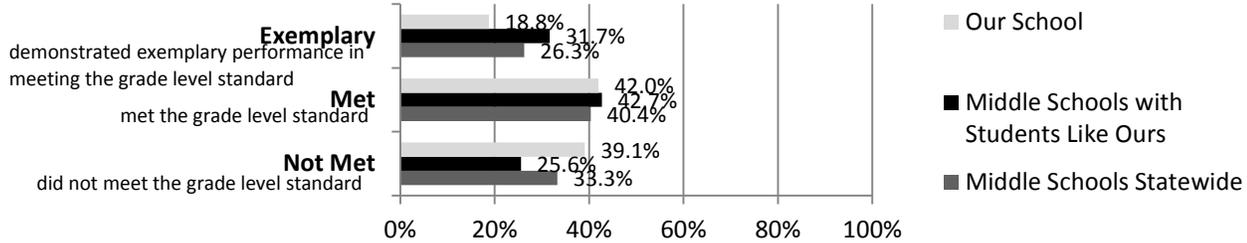
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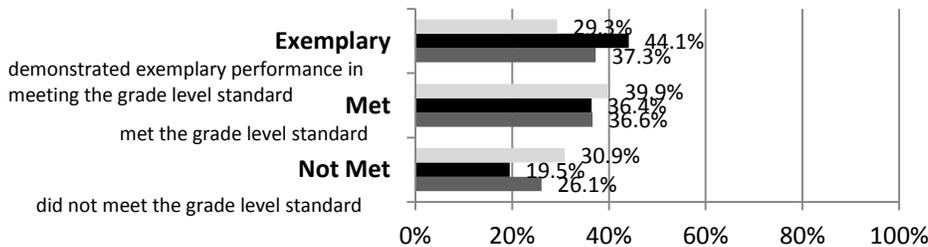
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The SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) was given to students in grades 4 - 8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Science and Social Studies.

Science



Social Studies



Science SCPASS

Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level		
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade
58.5	63.6	60.3

Social Studies SCPASS

Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level		
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade
74.0	62.8	71.3

Note: Results include SC-Alt assessment results.

Exemplary	"Exemplary" : student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" : student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" : student did not meet the grade level standard.

End of Course Tests

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	97.7
English 1	N/A	88.3
Biology 1	N/A	77.9
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	97.2

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.

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OPPORTUNITIES

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with students like ours
Students (n = 1,364)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	50.5	Down from 57.7%	N/A
Percent of students (grade 7 & 8) enrolled in HS credit courses	28.6	Up from 26.1%	36.8
Attendance Rate	96.7	Down from 97.7%	95.9
With disabilities	12.7	Up from 12.4%	10.2
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	4.6	Up from 0.0%	0.8
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	12.1	No change	28.8
Percentage of students retained	1.5	Down from 2.7%	0.3
Annual dropout rate	0.0	No change	0.0
Teachers (n = 86)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	75.6	Up from 75.3%	66.1
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	77.9	Up from 65.9%	81.2
Teachers returning from previous year	85.4	Up from 83.1%	88.0
Teacher attendance rate	95.7	Down from 98.3%	94.3
Average teacher salary*	\$50,103	Up 3.4%	\$49,701
Professional development days / teacher	5.9 days	Down from 6.6 days	10.6 days
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.3
School			
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.5 to 1	Up from 17.5 to 1	23.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.0	Down from 95.6%	89.3
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Excellent
Opportunities in foreign languages	Excellent	N/A	Poor
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0	No change	99.0
Character development program	Fair	Down from Excellent	Good
Avg. age of books / electronic media in the school library	N/A	N/A	13.1
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	11.8	N/A	17.4
Bandwidth capacity per student	>100 Mbps	N/C	N/A
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	76-100%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	1.5	N/C	1.4
District-issued technology devices per teacher	1.7	N/C	1.7
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.6	Down from 1.4%	1.6
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,548	Down 9.9%	\$7,082
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.8	Up from 67.6%	63.4
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	69.0	Up from 68.5%	64.2

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 190 days or more.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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OPPORTUNITIES**Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents****Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	60	233	66
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.6	71.6	71.2
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	96.7	72.4	74.3
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.3	83.5	53.8

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

State Ratings History of School

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2014	Average	Average
2013	Average	Average
2012	Average	Average

Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.

Additional Resources

SC State Content Standards
[Family-Friendly Guides to the SC Content Standards](#)
[2014-15 Accountability Manual](#)
[Report Card Data Files](#)
[ESEA Data Files](#)

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