



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Susan G. Boykin Academy

Charleston

Grades: K-6

Enrollment: 183

Principal: Dee Miller

Superintendent: Dr. Nancy J. McGinley

Board Chair: Mr. Hillery Douglas

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	At-Risk	At-Risk	TBD	Not Met	CSI
2007	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	NI
2006	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT

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GOOD

4

AVERAGE

4

BELOW AVERAGE

44

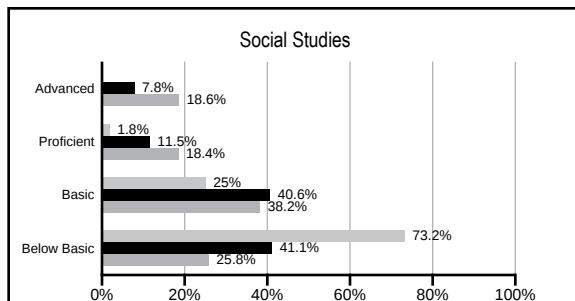
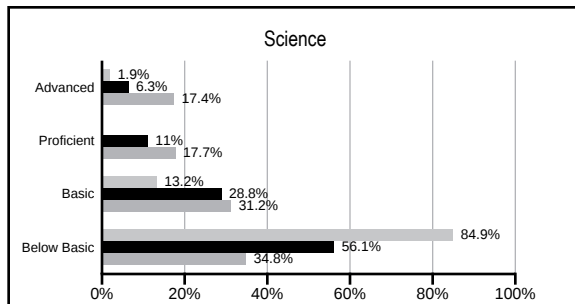
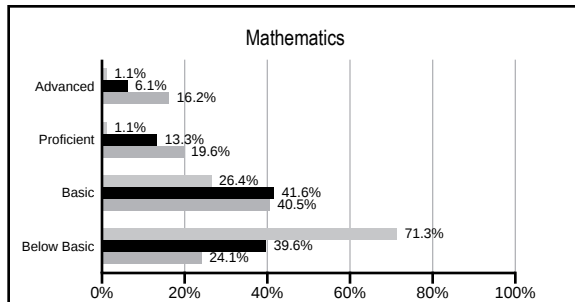
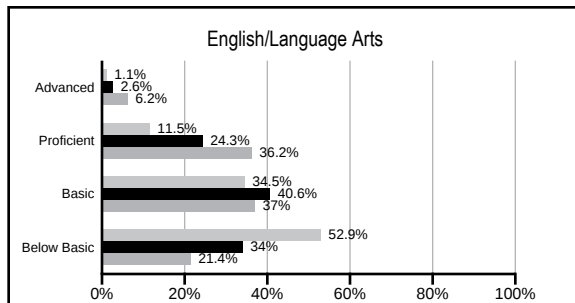
AT-RISK

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* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Elementary Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PACT PERFORMANCE

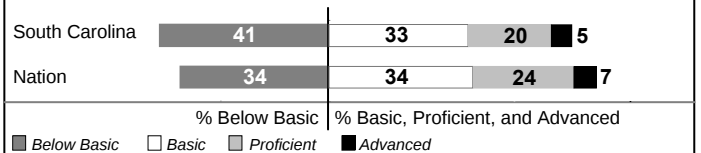
Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



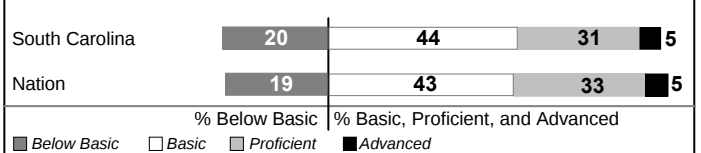
NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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

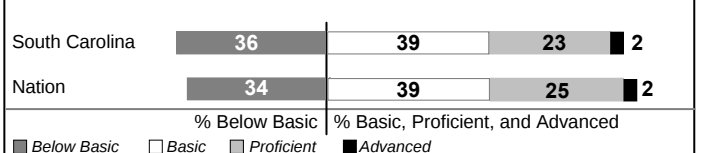
READING – GRADE 4 (2007)



MATH – GRADE 4 (2007)



SCIENCE – GRADE 4 (2005)



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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Susan G. Boykin Academy [Charleston]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=183)				
Retention rate	14.0%	Down from 15.3%	3.1%	2.3%
Attendance rate	93.1%	Up from 92.8%	96.0%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.0%	No Change	2.8%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	7.7%	Down from 9.0%	7.8%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	2.7%	Up from 1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=15)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.0%	Up from 20.0%	53.7%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	0.0%	N/A	68.9%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	82.6%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	92.3%	Down from 100.0%	95.0%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	N/A	N/A	\$43,838	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	40.8%	Up from 37.3%	1.0%	0.0%
School				
Principal's years at school	3.5	Up from 2.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.0 to 1	Down from 18.7 to 1	16.5 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.0%	Down from 92.8%	89.3%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Good	Up from Average	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$9,728	Down 10.1%	\$8,206	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	42.0%	Down from 44.0%	68.5%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	36.2%	Down from 39.4%	60.7%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	53.8%		69.2%	85.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	8	0	0
Percent satisfied with learning environment	62.5%	N/R	N/R
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	62.5%	N/R	N/R
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	75.0%	N/R	N/R

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Susan G. Boykin Academy was established as a non-profit entity on October 1, 2003. The purpose of Susan G. Boykin Academy's incorporation was to gain approval from the State Department of Education as an elementary charter school that would serve "at risk" students in grades K through sixth.

Susan G. Boykin Academy gained approval from the State Department of Education on June 14, 2004, and the school opened its doors to students for the first time on August 29, 2005. During the 2005-2006 school year, Boykin Academy maintained an average daily membership of approximately 162 students. In its first year of operation, the school served students in grades K-fifth and had a maximum capacity of 180 students. During the 2006-2007 school year, SGBA added 6th grade and increased its capacity to 210 students. It was later determined that fewer students were more manageable, and Boykin maintains an average daily membership of 178 students.

Students residing in almost every constituent district attend Boykin Academy, and a few students from Berkeley and Dorchester counties are enrolled as well. Upon enrollment, many of Boykin Academy's intermediate students (grades 3rd-5th) are performing below grade level. In 2007-2008, PACT scores indicated that approximately 55% of intermediate students had scored Below Basic in ELA or Math on the previous school year's end-of-year state standardized test. In-house Brigance assessments indicate that throughout the school year, students made marked progress in the areas of ELA and Math; however, while significant academic gains were made, end of year 3rd-6th grade PACT results are not anticipated to show that those same students are working above-basic in ELA and Math.

Many of Boykin Academy's students are from single-parent, low-income homes, and social concerns have prevented those students from performing to the best of their ability in the traditional classroom setting. To further provide students with more individualized attention and academic instruction, students are ability-grouped and are instructed in small groups of 8 or 9 students for core subject areas like Reading, Language Arts, and Math during selected periods of each school day.

Dee Miller, Founding Executive Director
Sharan Dantzler, Governing Board Chair

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