



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Mt Pisgah Elementary**  
**Kershaw County**  
**Grades: K-5** Enrollment: 132  
**Principal: Duane Pate**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Frank E. Morgan**  
**Board Chair: Joseph Dorton, Jr.**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	At-Risk	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	Met	N/A
2006	Good	Below Average	N/A	Met	N/A

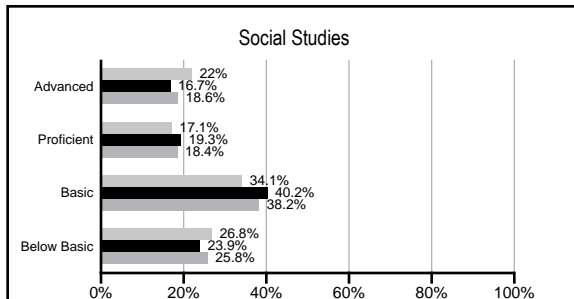
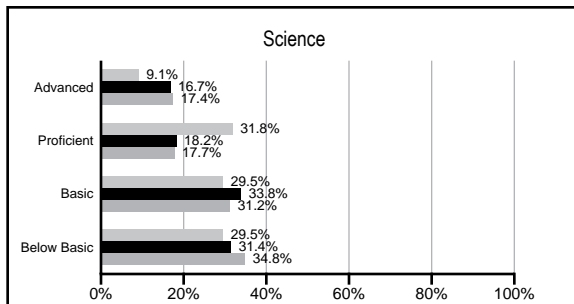
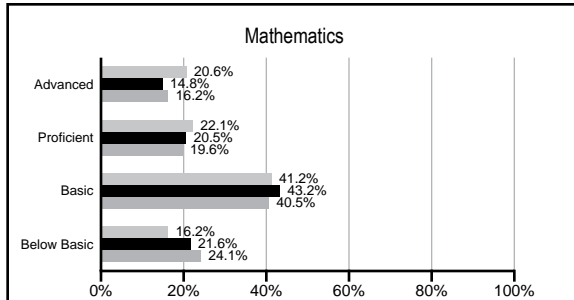
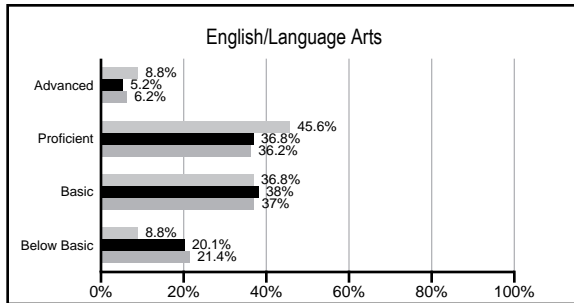
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	7	65	22	1

\* 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.

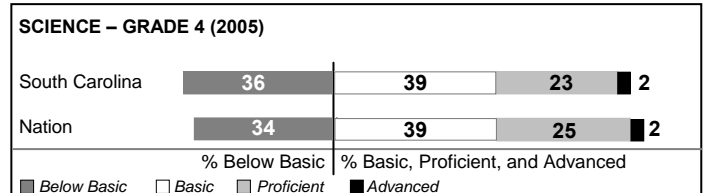
## PACT PERFORMANCE

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.



## 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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# Mt Pisgah Elementary [Kershaw County]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
<b>Students (n=132)</b>				
Retention rate	3.0%	Up from 0.8%	2.9%	2.3%
Attendance rate	96.3%	Up from 96.2%	96.2%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	15.2%	Down from 16.9%	9.7%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	2.9%	Down from 5.4%	8.6%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=10)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	70.0%	Down from 72.7%	58.1%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	90.0%	Down from 90.9%	80.5%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.1%	Down from 95.8%	87.4%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 97.8%	94.7%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$51,901	Up 3.7%	\$45,421	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.0 to 1	Up from 18.4 to 1	18.5 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.5%	Down from 92.2%	89.4%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Fair	Down from Good	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$9,689	Down 3.7%	\$6,895	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	63.7%	No Change	68.7%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	60.8%	Up from 60.7%	65.0%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		88.2%	85.7%

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	9	21	18
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	95.2%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	95.2%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	85.7%	88.9%

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Mt. Pisgah Elementary School had many successes during the 2007-2008 school year. Our Media Center, which has a collection of 6,263 titles, circulated 21,161 books this school year. We have 49.31 books per child for our 130 students. We have fully-operational Reading Renaissance, Math Renaissance, Perfect Copy, and Success Maker programs incorporated in our curriculum. Our students passed 15,827 Accelerated Reader tests with an average of 91.5% correct. We had a Veterans Day Celebration for over 50 community veterans, and students provided the entertainment while community churches provided the food. We started a tutoring program called Pisgah Pals, where community members came in and read to students. Pisgah Partners, our outreach business partners, provided funds to purchase supplies for our Pisgah Pals. Each classroom teacher has a laptop computer to use at school and home.

Our staff development opportunities included training in MAP, Science Kit usage, and Differentiated Instruction. Our Media Specialist is the current President of SCASL. Our Curriculum Coach is a certified Ruby Payne Framework for Poverty instructor. We have a Science Lab that serves all students. This spring, our school received recognition from the Education Oversight Committee for Closing the Achievement Gap for traditionally underachieving students. We were also 1 of 66 schools in South Carolina to be named as a Red Carpet School.

Our School Improvement Council (SIC) and PTO remain very active and continue to support all academic programs within our school.

Mt. Pisgah Elementary School is a thriving school in a loving and caring community, and our students, parents, and staff are dedicated to continuing our successes.

Duane Pate, Principal  
Jill Dixon, SIC chairman

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