



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Keowee Elementary

Oconee

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 283

Principal: Michelle Craddock

Superintendent: Dr. Michael Lucas

Board Chair: Harry B. Mays, Jr.

PERFORMANCE

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

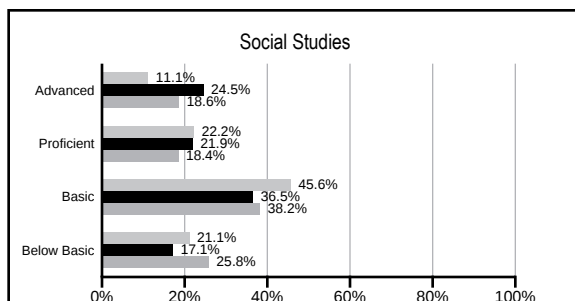
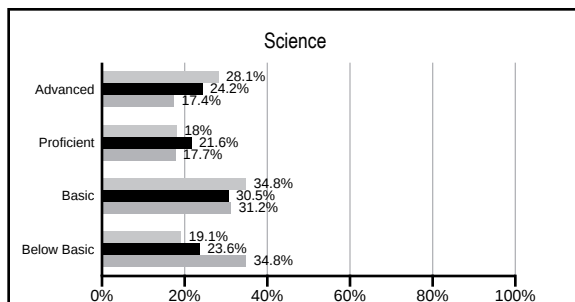
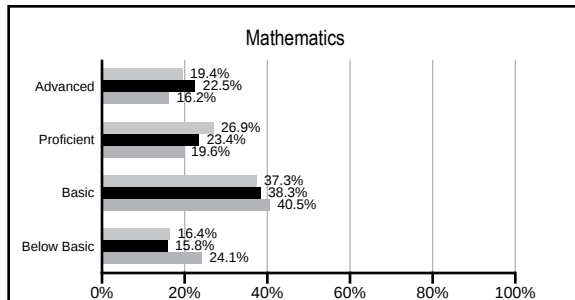
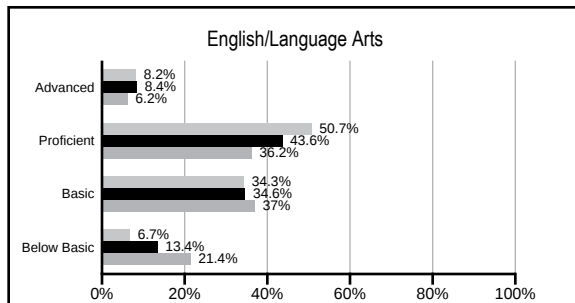
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	34	55	2	0

* 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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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=283)				
Retention rate	2.2%	Down from 4.8%	1.8%	2.3%
Attendance rate	97.1%	Up from 97.0%	96.6%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	21.4%	Down from 23.5%	17.5%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	12.2%	Down from 12.6%	6.8%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=28)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	60.7%	Down from 62.5%	60.7%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	78.6%	Down from 83.3%	81.1%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 5.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.9%	Down from 87.2%	88.0%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	93.8%	Up from 90.4%	94.8%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$49,618	Down 2.9%	\$46,714	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	14.7 to 1	Down from 18.5 to 1	19.5 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.2%	Up from 85.0%	90.2%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$9,624	Down 3.8%	\$6,547	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	65.8%	Down from 65.9%	69.9%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	63.5%	Up from 62.5%	66.7%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		90.5%	85.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	26	40	28
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	97.5%	89.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	94.9%	96.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	100.0%	85.7%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Keowee Elementary School is a Kindergarten-5th grade school that serves 280 students in a rural area of Oconee County. The mission of Keowee Elementary, in cooperation with home and community, is to challenge and enable every child to learn and grow academically, socially, and emotionally within a safe and nurturing environment. The school and community's commitment to this mission is evident in the numerous awards and recognitions received by the school, the faculty, the students, and the school's volunteers.

While maintaining its family-friendly Red Carpet status, during the 2007-2008 school year, Keowee Elementary continued to provide data-driven instruction that was differentiated and individualized and has allowed the school to again gain recognition as a Closing the Achievement Gap School. During the year, a seventh faculty member was added to our list of National Board Certified Teachers, and Keowee's Teacher of the Year was a finalist for School District of Oconee County (SDOC) Teacher of the Year for 2008-2009.

Throughout the year, students were honored and recognized for their participation in the Lieutenant Governor's Essay Contest, the Regional Anderson-Oconee-Pickens (AOP) Science Fair, the Emergency Preparedness Tornado Poster Contest, the Blue Ridge Arts Council Exhibition, the Oconee County Soil and Water Conservation District's Essay Contest, Tiger Relays, and the SC Middle/Elementary School Academy of Science Mail-In Contest. One participant in Keowee's exemplary volunteer program was also honored as Keowee Elementary School's Volunteer of the Year.

Keowee's teachers received numerous hours of professional development in technology, differentiated instruction, and curriculum mapping to assist them in meeting the needs of all learners. Teachers also used current, computerized assessment information to plan for individualized instruction and to periodically assess student progress towards their year-end goals.

The achievement of Keowee Elementary students is a direct result of the commitment of faculty, staff, and community working together to provide a rich, relevant curriculum that incorporates the most current technology and research-based instructional methods.

Michelle DeLoache, Principal
Angie Long, SIC Chairperson

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