



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Lexington Intermediate
 Lexington 1
 Grades: 5-6 Enrollment: 339
 Principal: Sherry P. Cariens
 Superintendent: Dr. Karen C. Woodward
 Board Chair: G. Edwin Harmon, Ph.D.

PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| 2008 | Excellent | Good | TBD | Met | N/A |
| 2007 | Excellent | Average | Gold | Met | N/A |
| 2006 | N/A | N/A | Gold | N/A | N/A |

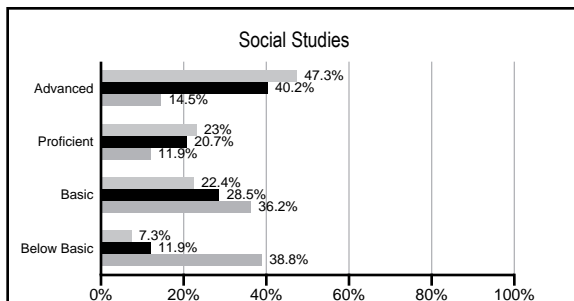
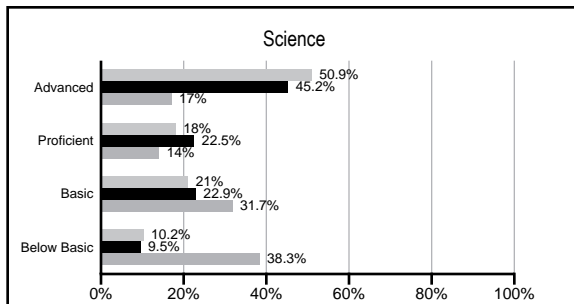
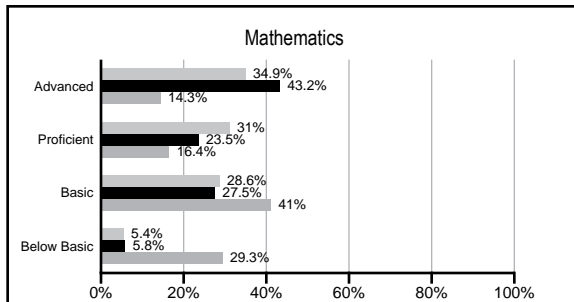
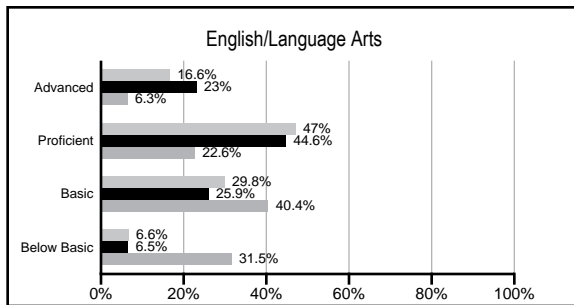
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 4 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/02/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Middle Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

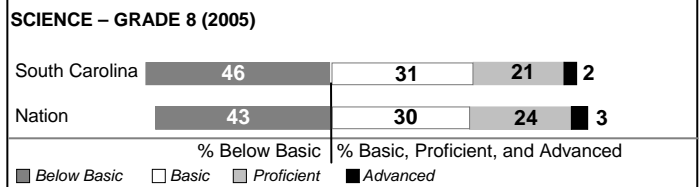
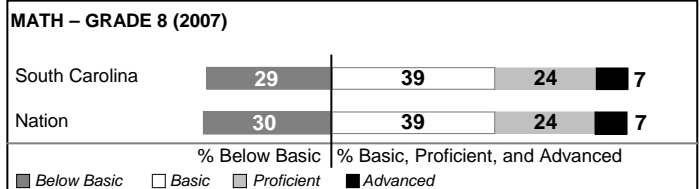
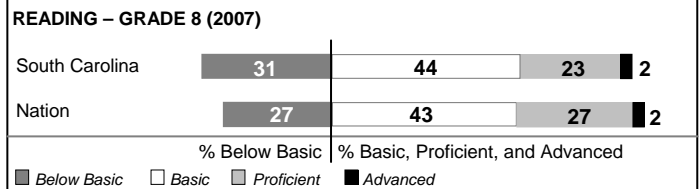
PACT PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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



END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

| % of students scoring 70 or above on: | Our Middle School | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2 | 0% | 100.0% |
| English 1 | 0% | 100.0% |
| Physical Science | 0% | 100.0% |
| All Subjects | 0% | 100.0% |

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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Lexington Intermediate [Lexington 1]

SCHOOL PROFILE

| | Our School | Change from Last Year | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours | Median Middle School |
|--|------------|-----------------------|--|----------------------|
| Students (n=339) | | | | |
| Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8) | N/R | N/R | 35.6% | 19.4% |
| Retention rate | 0.6% | Up from 0.0% | 0.3% | 1.8% |
| Attendance rate | 97.3% | Down from 97.4% | 97.1% | 95.8% |
| Eligible for gifted and talented | 46.0% | Up from 45.4% | 42.9% | 15.3% |
| With disabilities other than speech | 6.7% | Up from 4.5% | 6.3% | 12.9% |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses | 0.0% | No Change | 0.1% | 0.7% |
| Annual dropout rate | N/A | N/A | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Teachers (n=28) | | | | |
| Teachers with advanced degrees | 82.1% | Up from 73.1% | 59.7% | 55.0% |
| Continuing contract teachers | 78.6% | Up from 76.9% | 78.6% | 70.6% |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates | 0.0% | No Change | 0.0% | 5.4% |
| Teachers returning from previous year | 88.0% | Down from 90.7% | 85.8% | 83.4% |
| Teacher attendance rate | 95.2% | Down from 96.1% | 94.8% | 94.9% |
| Average teacher salary | \$50,458 | Up 5.8% | \$47,565 | \$44,706 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers | 0.0% | No Change | 0.0% | 2.9% |
| School | | | | |
| Principal's years at school | 2.0 | Up from 1.0 | 2.0 | 3.0 |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects | 21.2 to 1 | Up from 19.4 to 1 | 21.6 to 1 | 20.1 to 1 |
| Prime instructional time | 91.6% | Down from 92.3% | 90.6% | 89.3% |
| Opportunities in the arts | Good | No Change | Excellent | Good |
| SACS accreditation | Yes | No Change | Yes | Yes |
| Character development program | Good | Down from Excellent | Excellent | Good |
| Dollars spent per pupil* | \$8,312 | Up 13.0% | \$7,159 | \$7,097 |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction* | 64.6% | Up from 64.4% | 63.7% | 64.4% |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries* | 63.0% | Up from 62.8% | 59.8% | 59.4% |
| % of AYP objectives met | 100.0% | | 100.0% | 69.0% |

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

| | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned | 20 | 129 | 59 |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment | 95.0% | 90.7% | 96.6% |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 95.0% | 86.8% | 91.4% |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations | 100.0% | 93.0% | 93.1% |

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

School administrators and the School Improvement Council jointly report that this has been a productive and rewarding year at Lexington Intermediate School. Our students continue to demonstrate excellence in academics and service learning. Dedicated students, teachers, administrators, and parents share the school's focus for "Learning, Inspiring and Succeeding" and the school's theme of "Lighting the Way." As a result, innovation, active learning, and multiple enrichment opportunities are all part of the LIS experience. Our staff feels strongly that a teacher's personal role in developing a child's life is reflected in school and state test scores. Additionally, LIS parents are active volunteers who gave the school approximately 4,536 documented volunteer service hours during the past year.

For the seventh consecutive year, LIS earned an "Excellent" rating on the 2007 School Report Card. We also earned the Palmetto Gold Award again. In addition, LIS has been asked to participate in the state's third Palmetto Gold Showcase. In grade five last year, 97.4 percent of the students scored above standard in English/language arts, and 96.1 percent scored above standard in mathematics. For grade six, 96.1 percent of the students scored above standard in English/language arts, and 95.0 percent scored above standard in mathematics.

Although our school doesn't face the barriers that many schools face, we have our challenges. We know that many of our children could perform even better and should be scoring "Advanced" on PACT.

As a result, we continue to work on differentiated instructional strategies, the creation of a high-performance learning culture, the organization of teacher-led collaborative planning sessions to further improve instruction and a greater emphasis on technology competency for all students.

At the beginning of the school year, all fifth and sixth-grade students participated in online learning styles testing, which provided both teachers and students with invaluable information regarding the individual learning skills of each student. In addition, the fifth-grade students and their parents participated in an interactive technology night at LIS, while the sixth-grade students participated in an English/language arts Electronic Portfolio project.

More than 93 percent of our students participated in service-learning projects this year. Students raised \$4,085.48 for the Leukemia Society through the Pasta for Pennies program. Two classes adopted a soldier on his second tour in Iraq and sent him candy, Girl Scout cookies, poems, letters, and e-mails. Student leadership opportunities included service on the school television team, yearbook, Just Say No Club, and Student Council.

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