



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Irmo Middle**  
**Lexington/Richland 5**  
**Grades: 7-8** Enrollment: 1,032  
**Principal: Marie Waldrop**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Herbert Berg**  
**Board Chair: Paula Hite**

## PERFORMANCE

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

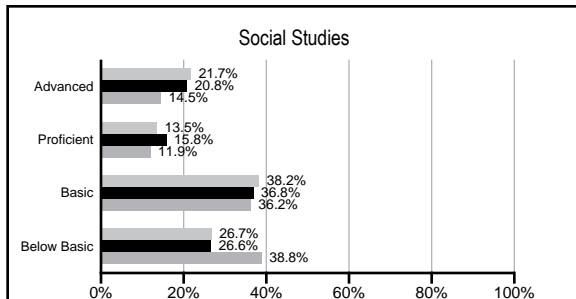
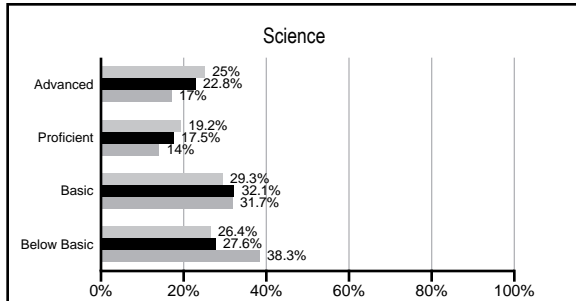
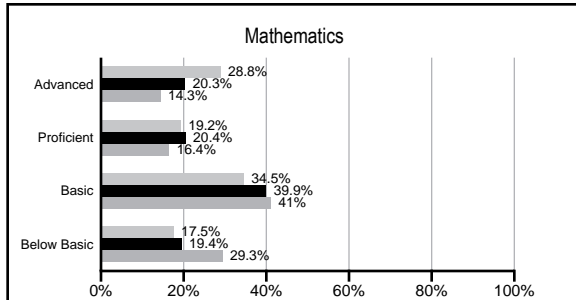
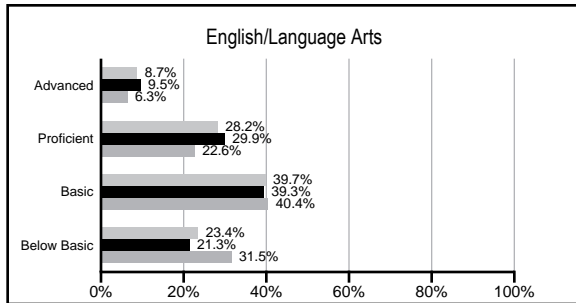
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	5	35	6	1

\* 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.

### READING - GRADE 8 (2007)

Entity	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
South Carolina	31	44
Nation	27	43

### MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)

Entity	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
South Carolina	29	39
Nation	30	39

### SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)

Entity	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
South Carolina	46	31
Nation	43	30

## 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	100.0%	98.4%
English 1	0%	94.8%
Physical Science	0%	28.0%
All Subjects	98.0%	97.9%

## 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	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
<b>Students (n=1,032)</b>				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	65.9%	Up from 59.6%	27.5%	19.4%
Retention rate	2.1%	Up from 1.3%	1.6%	1.8%
Attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 96.6%	96.1%	95.8%
Eligible for gifted and talented	26.0%	Down from 29.6%	25.3%	15.3%
With disabilities other than speech	11.7%	Up from 11.1%	11.3%	12.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	5.8%	Down from 6.1%	0.9%	0.7%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=80)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	70.0%	Up from 63.8%	58.3%	55.0%
Continuing contract teachers	81.3%	Up from 76.3%	75.3%	70.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	6.9%	Down from 11.6%	3.7%	5.4%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.9%	Up from 84.9%	85.0%	83.4%
Teacher attendance rate	93.9%	Up from 93.7%	95.2%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$47,355	Up 6.1%	\$46,111	\$44,706
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.6%	Down from 8.0%	0.0%	2.9%
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	9.0	Up from 8.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.3 to 1	Down from 20.4 to 1	21.6 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.0%	Down from 89.5%	89.9%	89.3%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$8,361	Up 6.2%	\$6,526	\$7,097
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	60.6%	Down from 61.3%	66.5%	64.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	58.8%	Down from 59.2%	62.5%	59.4%
% of AYP objectives met	71.4%		76.2%	69.0%

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	78	457	238
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.0%	76.0%	83.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	93.6%	80.4%	76.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.2%	87.4%	76.4%

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Irmo Middle School, a recognized leader in educational excellence, is committed to ensuring the development of the unique potential of each student as a lifelong learner through a comprehensive and challenging education program that embraces the best of traditional and innovative practices within a caring, supportive, diverse, and safe community of learners. In addition, our students experience a strong fine arts curriculum, both in specialized classes and through arts infusion. Students have numerous opportunities to develop and showcase their talents in all areas. In addition, other accomplishments include:

Ms. Vickie Davis is the 2007-2008 Irmo Middle School Teacher of the Year.

Ms. Betty Stephenson is the 2007-2008 IMS Support Employee of the Year.

The Irmo Middle School Junior Stinger 2008 Yearbook earned the Gallery of Excellence award from Walsworth Publishing.

IMS won two First Place Awards in the Lexington County Recycling Recognition.

IMS was the recipient of the Bright Ideas Grant of Mid Carolina Electric, Inc.

IMS C-Team Girls Cross Country Team named Region Champions.

The Irmo Middle School Orchestra earned a Superior Rating and was named Best Overall Orchestra at The Music In the Parks Festival.

The IMS Honors Chorus placed 1st in the Mixed Chorus Festival Competition in Atlanta, GA, receiving a Superior Rating and Overall Grand Champion, and also performed at the S.C. School Boards Association's 2008 Conference. The IMS Honor Band gained Superior rating and 1st place in the middle school division at the Dixie Classics Invitational Music Festival and was awarded the South Carolina Band Director's Association Outstanding Performance Award for 2007-2008.

The IMS Step Team placed 3rd in the "Stomp the Yard" competition.

Eighteen 7th-graders qualified as State Scholars in the Duke TIP and three 7th-graders qualified as Grand Scholars.

IMS Beta Club collected over 300 soccer balls to send to the children of Iraq.

The MathCounts Team placed second in the State Competition and had one student progress to the national competition.

The IMS newsletter was recognized at the Rewards for Excellence Awards.

Parent Mark Ryan was named as District Volunteer of the Year, and The Book Fair Group was named as District Volunteer Group of the Year.

Teachers Denise Tweito, James Fanning, and Johnny Cooley achieved National Board Certification.

Coach Mike Moore was selected as Region Track Coach of the Year.

A 7th-grade IMS student won the State Optimist Speech Contest.

Ms. Vickie Davis was named as the Air Force Association State Teacher of the Year.

A very special thank you goes to all of our students, parents, teachers, counselors, administrators, and support

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