



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Jefferson Elementary
Aiken

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 560

Principal: Pamela J. Hart

Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt

Board Chair: Dr. Christine Harkins

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	NI-DELAY
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

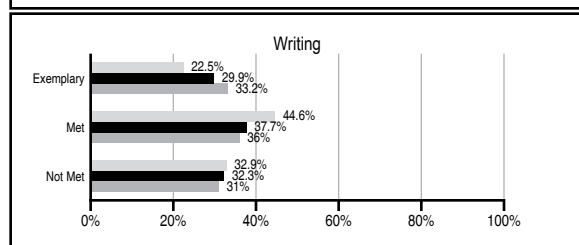
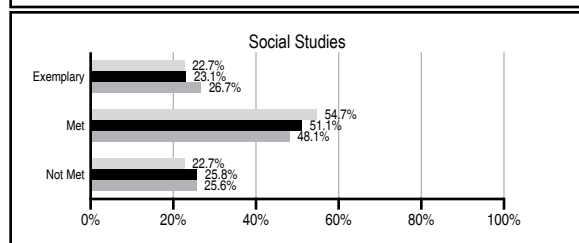
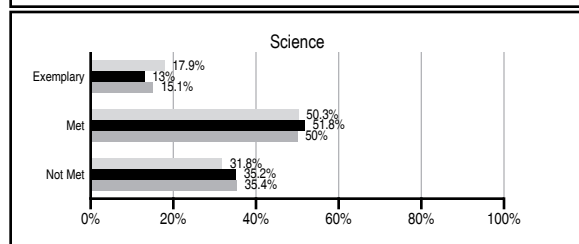
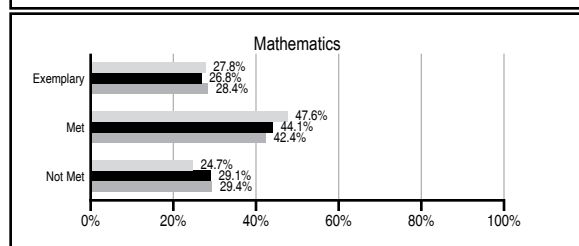
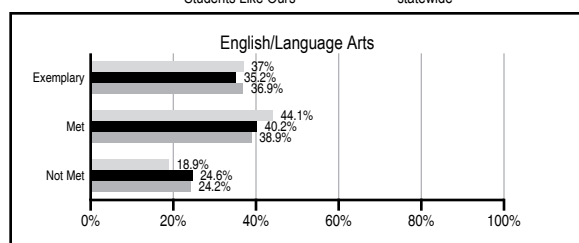
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	20	85	8	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

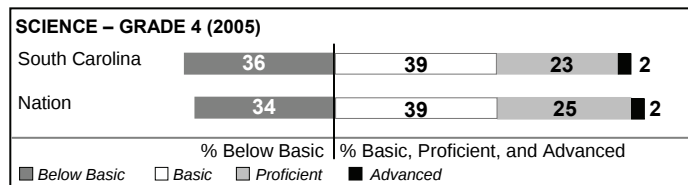
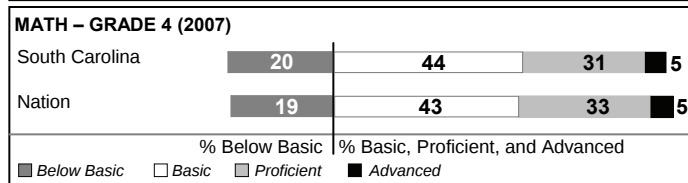
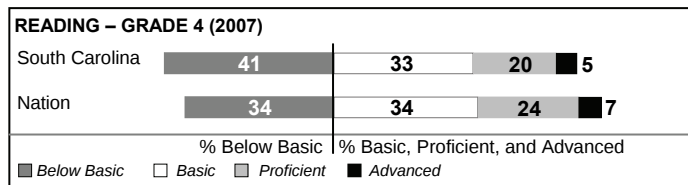
PASS PERFORMANCE

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 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=560)				
Retention rate	2.8%	Down from 4.2%	2.2%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.2%	Up from 96.1%	96.2%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	11.9%	Down from 12.3%	9.3%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	6.6%	Down from 7.5%	9.3%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	1.6%	No Change	0.6%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.2%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=38)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	52.6%	Up from 48.8%	59.7%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	73.7%	Down from 78.0%	82.9%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.7%	Down from 2.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.5%	Up from 86.0%	87.4%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.4%	Down from 95.0%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,578	Up 1.7%	\$47,344	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	12.8 days	Up from 11.1 days	11.5 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.4 to 1	Up from 18.5 to 1	19.0 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.3%	Down from 89.5%	90.2%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.2%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Average	Down from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,830	Up 1.7%	\$7,353	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	71.7%	Up from 70.4%	67.9%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.0%	Down from 67.2%	61.4%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	Up from 94.7%	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	38	75	62
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.4%	93.2%	88.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.4%	87.8%	80.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	94.7%	94.7%	85.2%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

In partnership with our community, the mission of Jefferson Elementary School is to provide all students with a safe, stimulating, child-centered environment that prepares them to become productive and contributing citizens in an ever-changing society. It is our objective that each student, faculty, and staff member at Jefferson Elementary be exposed to quality educational experiences that will ensure that they reach their maximum potential and become life-long learners.

Student achievement remained our top priority in the 2008-2009 school year. The Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) tests were administered to our first through fifth grade students in the fall, winter, and spring. Teachers used the diagnostic results of the tests in reading, math, and language to differentiate instruction for each student at his/her level. J Team, our after-school tutoring program, provided an opportunity for students to be taught in their areas of weakness by certified teachers on Tuesdays and Thursdays. In order to help students succeed in reading, we continued our Reading Intervention program for kindergarten through third grade students. Our students then demonstrated their love of literacy by reading approximately 46,000 books this year.

We believe children should be commended and recognized for their accomplishments. A school-wide awards ceremony was held at the end of each nine weeks recognizing students for attendance, honor roll, most improved, good manners, good behavior, good citizenship, most effort, and exceptional performance in art, physical education, music, and speech. Monthly, each homeroom teacher selected a Citizen of the Month who received a certificate and had his/her picture posted on a bulletin board. Teachers, staff members, and administrators communicated their approval of students' positive actions by issuing Eagle Tickets to them whenever they were caught doing the right thing. The Celebration of Character provided another opportunity for students to be commended for outstanding behavior. Students also enjoyed opportunities to participate in extra-curricular activities such as Drama Club, the annual talent show, Valentine Court, the Fall Carnival, Field Day, WJES (our morning television news show), Adopt a Highway, and the Ronald McDonald can tab program.

Parents were offered numerous opportunities to participate in school events and activities such as Open House, Family Reading Night, Family Math Night, the Fall Carnival, Sciencefest, Night of the Arts, the Holiday Shop, Valentine Court, and the Pro Kids Family Night. The Eagles' Tales, our parent newsletter, kept parents and community members up to date on school news and upcoming events. Our Family Handbook and our website, www.jeffersonelementaryschool.net, also helped to keep parents well informed.

Jefferson Elementary is a great place to be. In fact, we always say, "There's no place we'd rather be than Jefferson Elementary."

Eric Powell, SIC Chairperson
Pam Hart, Principal

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