

# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Sheridan Elementary  
Orangeburg 5  
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 583  
Principal: Xennie Weeks  
Superintendent: Mr. Melvin Smoak  
Board Chair: Mr. Julius Page

## PERFORMANCE

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov) and [www.eoc.sc.gov](http://www.eoc.sc.gov) as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

| 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             | Not Met    | N/A                     |
| 2008 | Below Average   | Excellent     | Gold                           | Silver          | Not Met    | N/A                     |
| 2007 | Below Average   | Below Average | N/A                            | N/A             | Not Met    | N/A                     |

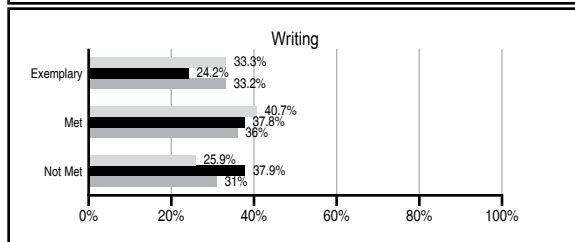
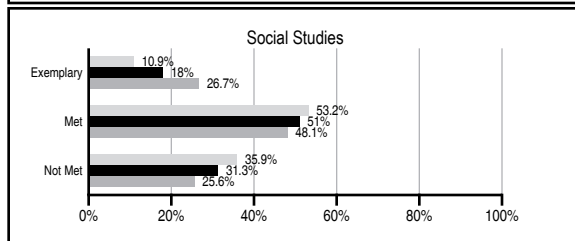
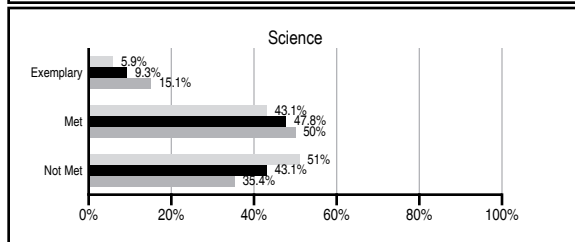
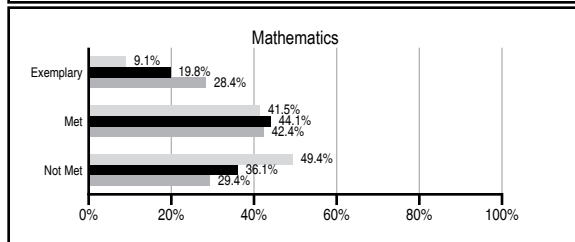
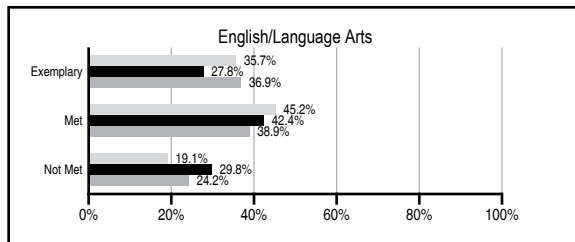
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 0         | 5    | 85      | 29            | 2       |

\* 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.

### READING – GRADE 4 (2007)

|                                                 |    |    |    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---|
| South Carolina                                  | 41 | 33 | 20 | 5 |
| Nation                                          | 34 | 34 | 24 | 7 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced |    |    |    |   |
| Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced           |    |    |    |   |

### MATH – GRADE 4 (2007)

|                                                 |    |    |    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---|
| South Carolina                                  | 20 | 44 | 31 | 5 |
| Nation                                          | 19 | 43 | 33 | 5 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced |    |    |    |   |
| Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced           |    |    |    |   |

### SCIENCE – GRADE 4 (2005)

|                                                 |    |    |    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---|
| South Carolina                                  | 36 | 39 | 23 | 2 |
| Nation                                          | 34 | 39 | 25 | 2 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced |    |    |    |   |
| Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced           |    |    |    |   |

## 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.

### Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined

NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status

# Sheridan Elementary [Orangeburg 5]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

|                                                                              | Our School | Change from Last Year | Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours | Median Elementary School |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Students (n=583)</b>                                                      |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Retention rate                                                               | 6.7%       | Down from 8.2%        | 2.5%                                       | 1.9%                     |
| Attendance rate                                                              | 96.7%      | Down from 96.8%       | 96.0%                                      | 96.3%                    |
| Eligible for gifted and talented                                             | 3.9%       | Up from 2.2%          | 6.3%                                       | 10.0%                    |
| With disabilities other than speech                                          | 10.6%      | Up from 7.0%          | 9.0%                                       | 7.7%                     |
| Older than usual for grade                                                   | 2.8%       | Down from 2.9%        | 0.7%                                       | 0.5%                     |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| <b>Teachers (n=39)</b>                                                       |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                                               | 79.5%      | Down from 81.4%       | 57.0%                                      | 59.4%                    |
| Continuing contract teachers                                                 | 89.7%      | Up from 76.7%         | 76.5%                                      | 80.0%                    |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates                          | 2.6%       | Down from 5.3%        | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| Teachers returning from previous year                                        | 89.0%      | Down from 90.9%       | 84.5%                                      | 85.9%                    |
| Teacher attendance rate                                                      | 94.3%      | Down from 94.5%       | 95.0%                                      | 95.1%                    |
| Average teacher salary*                                                      | \$50,408   | Down 0%               | \$46,012                                   | \$47,149                 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                              | 0.0%       | Down from 0.5%        | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| Professional development days/teacher                                        | 13.9 days  | Up from 10.8 days     | 11.7 days                                  | 11.1 days                |
| <b>School</b>                                                                |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Principal's years at school                                                  | 8.0        | No Change             | 4.0                                        | 4.0                      |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 17.0 to 1  | Down from 18.3 to 1   | 18.2 to 1                                  | 18.8 to 1                |
| Prime instructional time                                                     | 89.6%      | Up from 89.3%         | 90.0%                                      | 90.4%                    |
| Opportunities in the arts                                                    | Good       | No Change             | Good                                       | Good                     |
| SACS accreditation                                                           | Yes        | No Change             | Yes                                        | Yes                      |
| Parents attending conferences                                                | 99.8%      | Up from 99.5%         | 100.0%                                     | 100.0%                   |
| Character development program                                                | Excellent  | No Change             | Excellent                                  | Excellent                |
| Dollars spent per pupil**                                                    | \$7,732    | Up 16.5%              | \$7,711                                    | \$7,458                  |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 70.8%      | Down from 70.9%       | 68.0%                                      | 68.8%                    |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**                               | 64.2%      | Up from 51.8%         | 62.3%                                      | 63.2%                    |
| % of AYP objectives met                                                      | 94.1%      | Up from 80.0%         | 100.0%                                     | 100.0%                   |

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

|                                                        | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 35       | 72        | 42       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 82.9%    | 84.5%     | 92.9%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 85.3%    | 64.8%     | 95.2%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 60.6%    | 74.3%     | 95.0%    |

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2008-2009 academic school year was very fruitful for the Sheridan "Superstar" family. Faculty, students, parents, and community members worked as a team to achieve academic success and the fulfillment of our school's mission. The mission of Sheridan Elementary School is to provide a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment, enabling our students to become productive citizens while ensuring that all children feel special and that no child is left behind.

Using the South Carolina academic standards as the driving force for instruction, teachers worked with students to reach significant gains in all subject areas of the 2008 PACT. Sheridan's ELA scores in grades 3, 4, and 5 exceeded the district average. Grade 5 math scores, grades 4 and 5 science scores, and grades 3 and 4 social studies scores also exceeded the district averages. Sheridan Elementary was the only elementary school in our district and county to be awarded the Palmetto Gold Award, and we were also chosen as a South Carolina Department of Education Palmetto Showcase School. There are six National Board Certified teachers on our staff, and the district teacher of the year is also a member of Sheridan's faculty.

At Sheridan Elementary, we believe in the well-rounded development of all our students. To achieve this, a variety of programs, clubs, and activities are offered to enhance the academic, social, emotional, and physical growth of our students. These activities include 21st Century after school program, Junior Beta Club, Science Fair, Garden Club, Girls' Circle, award-winning chorus, strings, yearbook, Mr. and Miss Sheridan pageant, Field Day, Superstar Steppers, quarterly academic awards, essay contests, Grandparents' luncheon, Good News Club, career week, character education program, and grade level field trips. Each grade level also carries out a care and concern project to reach out to those in need in the Orangeburg community.

The Sheridan PTSA and school improvement council play an active and vital role in the life of our school. This year, the PTSA sponsored a monthly Kid's Night Out, Sheridan Idol Contest, and Superstar Saturday activities, purchased playground equipment, ran the school store, and provided monetary support for a variety of other school activities. The School Improvement Council sponsored an African American inventor's exhibit and an Easter Egg Hunt and has helped to formulate our school's policies and procedures.

At Sheridan Elementary, we continue to strive for excellence as we prepare our students to be future leaders and productive citizens.

Xennie Weeks, Principal  
B.J. Sumpter, SIC Chairperson

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov) and [www.eoc.sc.gov](http://www.eoc.sc.gov) as well as school and school district websites.

Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

### Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined  
NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status