

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blacksburg Middle
Cherokee
Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 423**
Principal: Virgil Hampton
Superintendent: Dr. William B. James
Board Chair: Mr. Billy Blackwell

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	Not Met	N/A
2008	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

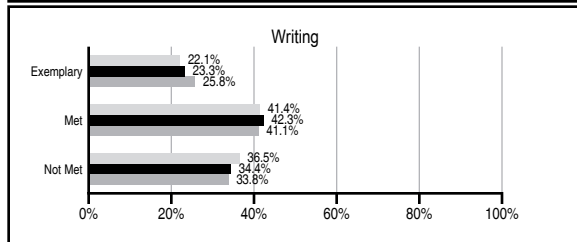
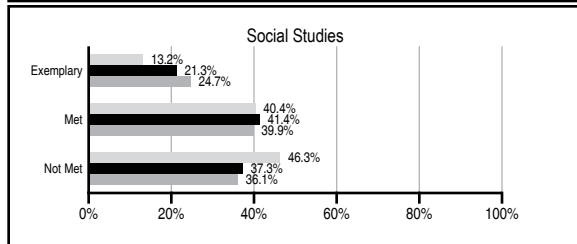
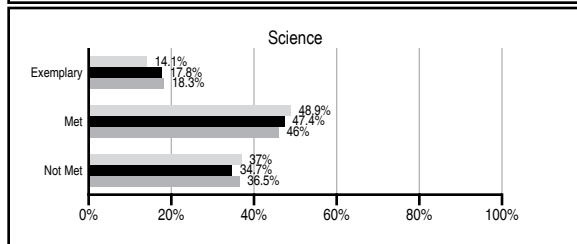
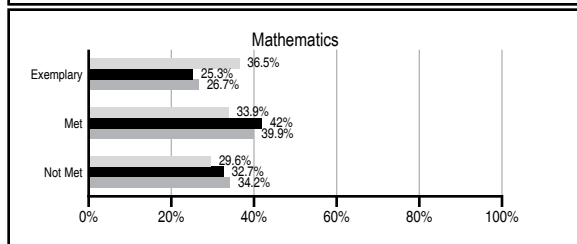
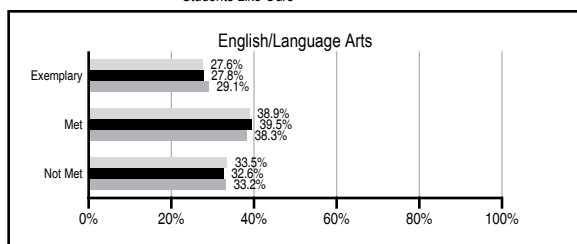
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	2	41	5	0

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

PASS 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)

South Carolina	31	44	23	2
Nation	27	43	27	2

% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced

Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced

MATH – GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7

% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced

Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced

SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)

South Carolina	46	31	21	2
Nation	43	30	24	3

% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced

Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% 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	97.8
English 1	N/A	96.8
Physical Science	N/A	90.9
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	97.2

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	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=423)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	52.2%	Up from 49.0%	18.2%	21.6%
Retention rate	0.2%	Down from 0.9%	1.4%	1.2%
Attendance rate	96.4%	Up from 96.0%	95.7%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	14.1%	Down from 15.6%	15.4%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	9.1%	Down from 9.3%	13.7%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	1.4%	Up from 1.1%	2.9%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.5%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=31)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	71.0%	Up from 65.7%	54.3%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	90.3%	Up from 82.9%	75.0%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	4.7%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.4%	Up from 84.4%	82.9%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.7%	Down from 95.1%	95.2%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,798	Up 7.8%	\$45,812	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 5.0%	1.8%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	5.9 days	Up from 5.7 days	10.1 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.6 to 1	Up from 18.1 to 1	20.1 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.9%	Up from 90.7%	89.7%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.3%	97.5%	97.8%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,975	Down 6.6%	\$7,457	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.4%	Up from 64.4%	64.3%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.4%	Up from 59.8%	58.8%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	90.5%	Up from 73.7%	90.5%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	18	133	103
Percent satisfied with learning environment	94.4%	85.0%	71.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.4%	87.9%	79.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	94.4%	86.5%	72.0%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Blacksburg Middle School has completed another successful school year. Ten eighth grade students were recognized as Junior Scholars. One eighth grade student received state recognition in the Duke University Talent Search. Forty-seven students took the end-of-course test in Algebra and all students passed. Students took MAP a minimum of two times this school year and many showed significant progress. We continue to use test data to monitor student achievement.

This was the second year that we implemented a school-wide science lab, which was instructed by Kelly Davis.

Our school offered the Community In Schools Program for students to receive additional instruction in curricular areas and character education.

BMS implemented school-wide Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support (PBIS) for the fourth year.

Pam Clark was named the Teacher of the Year and Barbara Cope received the Distinguished Teacher of Reading award. Kelly Davis holds National Board Certification. PTO encourages 100% student attendance by offering a free trip to Carowinds at the end of the school year. Additionally, PTO encourages exemplary behavior by rewarding students quarterly with a trip to get ice cream. We appreciate the efforts and contributions of our supportive PTO.

Blacksburg Middle School is Setting the Standard. We are working diligently to follow the 5R's: Respect, Responsible, Relationships, Ready, Reliable.

Mrs. Tracey Bourgoon, School Improvement Council Chairperson

Mr. Virgil Hampton, Principal

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