

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Waccamaw Middle
Georgetown
Grades: 7-8 **Enrollment: 348**
Principal: William A. Dwyer
Superintendent: Dr. H. Randall Dozier
Board Chair: Mr. Jim Dumm

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	Excellent	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

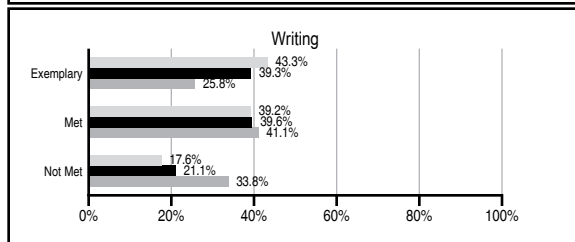
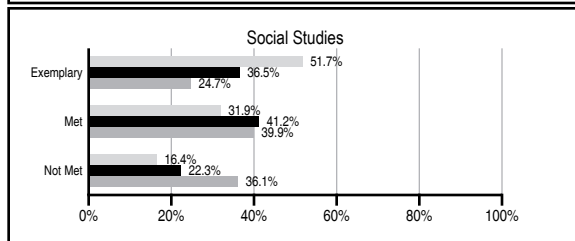
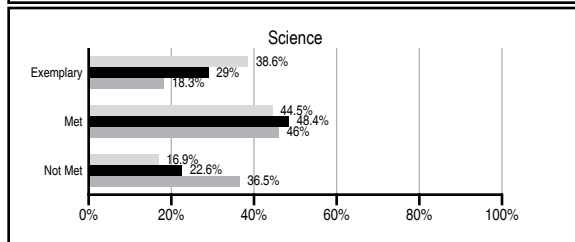
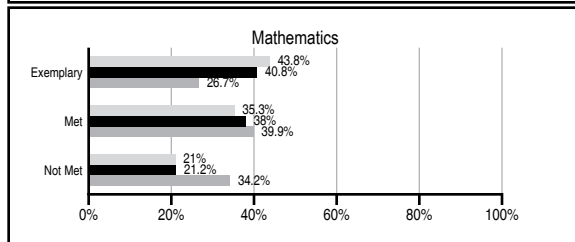
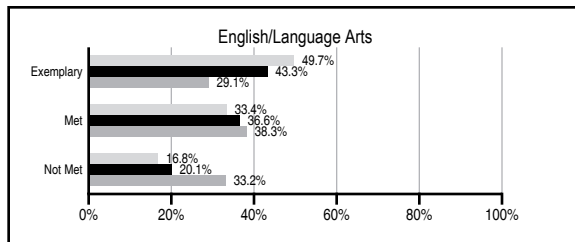
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
5	14	7	0	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	97.6	99.5
English 1	93.8	97.0
Physical Science	N/A	91.5
US History and the Constitution	N/A	100.0
All Subjects	95.9	98.4

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=348)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	40.2%	Up from 38.0%	28.2%	21.6%
Retention rate	0.0%	Down from 0.4%	1.2%	1.2%
Attendance rate	95.7%	Up from 95.5%	96.3%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	39.9%	Up from 38.1%	24.8%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	9.4%	Down from 10.2%	9.6%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	2.9%	Up from 2.5%	1.5%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.6%	Up from 0.5%	0.9%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=23)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	47.8%	Down from 52.6%	57.7%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	91.3%	Up from 78.9%	79.4%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	3.9%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.8%	Down from 93.4%	85.3%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.7%	Down from 95.4%	95.1%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,775	Up 2.9%	\$48,605	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	8.4%	Up from 3.0%	0.9%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	7.0 days	Down from 13.4 days	10.7 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	No Change	6.3	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.5 to 1	Up from 20.4 to 1	21.8 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.8%	No Change	90.5%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 95.3%	96.5%	97.8%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,503	Up 8.6%	\$7,141	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.1%	Down from 64.3%	66.3%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.3%	Down from 59.3%	59.7%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	Up from 85.7%	93.5%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	157	46
Percent satisfied with learning environment	65.0%	76.8%	89.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	85.0%	81.7%	91.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.0%	88.2%	80.4%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Waccamaw Middle School continued its pursuit in providing outstanding educational opportunities for students during the 2008-2009 school year. The use of common assessments, common planning, and the South Carolina Reading Initiative throughout the core academics was implemented. The implementation of a Single Gender Instructional Initiative in English Language Arts and Mathematics was also a highlight of the 2008-09 school year. Through these initiatives, as well as monthly non-fiction writing and daily sustained silent reading, students were engaged at high levels. Throughout their core academics, students were also provided with research-based instructional strategies to ensure their success.

Over 75 of our students participated in various athletic teams during the school year, and our band and chorus won superior ranking at both regional and state competitions. Furthermore, our art students took the top two places at our district art show, and enrollment in these programs is as high as ever. Our students also won second place at the district academic bowl, and two students were named Most Valuable Players.

Waccamaw Middle School students also began a Robotics Club that participated in the district academic fair. Students and teachers participated in Beach Sweep 2008, and cleaned various beach areas along the Waccamaw Neck. Furthermore, Waccamaw Middle School also sponsored a Relay for Life Team, sent Volunteers to Special Olympics, donated funds for the March of Dimes, and held several canned food drives throughout the year. Local businesses, parents, and community members continue to support WMS through involvement with our School Improvement Council, PTSA, and Business Partnership Program. As the 2009-2010 school year begins, we look forward to continued success and growth as we continue with implementing exciting initiatives to help better meet the needs of our ever-changing and diverse student population.

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