

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Middle School of Pacolet
Spartanburg 3
Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 196**
Principal: Cynthia D. James
Superintendent: James O. Ray
Board Chair: Mr. Eddie Dearybury

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	Good	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

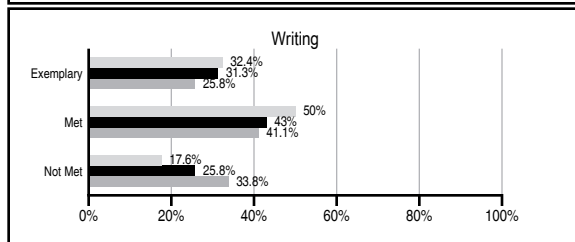
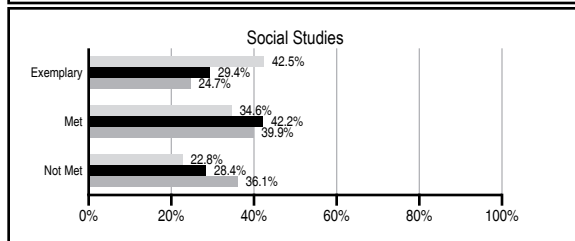
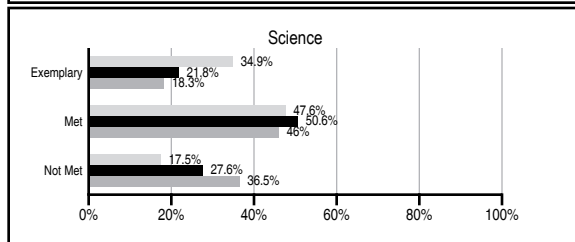
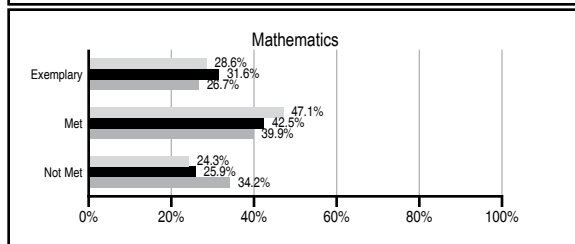
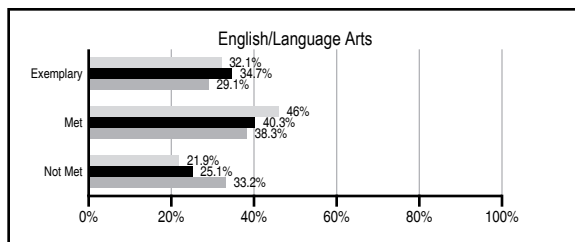
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	11	37	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	100.0	97.3
English 1	N/A	96.9
Physical Science	N/A	91.9
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	96.9

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 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=196)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	17.4%	Down from 22.9%	25.4%	21.6%
Retention rate	0.0%	Down from 0.5%	1.1%	1.2%
Attendance rate	96.0%	Down from 96.1%	95.9%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	22.2%	Up from 21.6%	18.1%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	16.2%	Up from 15.9%	12.0%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	1.0%	Up from 0.9%	2.0%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.8%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=14)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.1%	Down from 60.0%	57.5%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	78.6%	Up from 53.3%	76.5%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 9.1%	4.6%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	74.1%	Down from 76.2%	85.5%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Down from 96.5%	95.1%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$43,480	Up 3.8%	\$47,084	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.7%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	12.5 days	Down from 14.2 days	10.6 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	21.6 to 1	Up from 19.7 to 1	21.8 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.6%	Up from 89.9%	89.9%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.8%	Down from 100.0%	98.7%	97.8%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,499	Up 2.1%	\$6,991	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	49.9%	Up from 48.3%	63.6%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	47.8%	Up from 45.6%	57.7%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	Up from 69.2%	92.0%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	16	61	37
Percent satisfied with learning environment	87.5%	80.3%	83.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	88.5%	83.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.5%	96.7%	78.4%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Middle School of Pacolet continued to help students grow in all aspects of life. The 2008-09 school year was filled with opportunities for academic and social development, excitement, and hard work.

Faculty members completed a second year of working with the process known as Understanding by Design. Results from this project produced five eighth grade Junior Scholars and three seventh grade students recognized as Duke Tip Scholars. For the third consecutive year, 100% of our Algebra 1 students passed the EOC, and, in a first for Middle School of Pacolet, one 8th grade student was selected to attend the Spartanburg County Scholars Academy.

In the arts, we had numerous students win awards at both the local and state level. One of our students designed the state-winning Christmas card for Vulcan Materials. Our school was also well represented in region band competition and solo and ensemble competition.

Communication took on a new look as our Web site converted to eChalk. The weekly newsletter "Indian Headlines" earned distinction as an Award Winner by the South Carolina Association of Public Relations. Students directed and produced our morning news show—WMSP.

One of our greatest assets is our giving. Students collected over 700 canned-good items through our Fellowship of Christian Athletes for 2nd Presbyterian Food Bank. A school record was set for Relay for Life. Our school was recognized as the 3rd highest middle school in Spartanburg County, with over \$3700.00 collected. Another strength of MSP is the thirty-five parents who volunteer to help out at the school.

By receiving a grant from the State Department of Education, some of our young ladies are spending one week this summer in a nontraditional work setting camp. These seventeen girls will experience machine tool, electricity, construction, and welding at Daniel Morgan Technology Center.

A year of growth, excitement, and hard work—MSP met the challenge.

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