

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Woodruff Middle
Spartanburg 4
Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 729
Principal: Denise D. Brown
Superintendent: W. Rallie Liston
Board Chair: Mr. Milton Smith

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	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

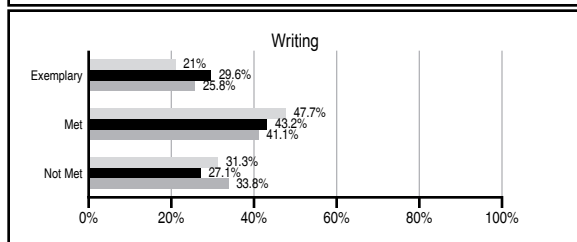
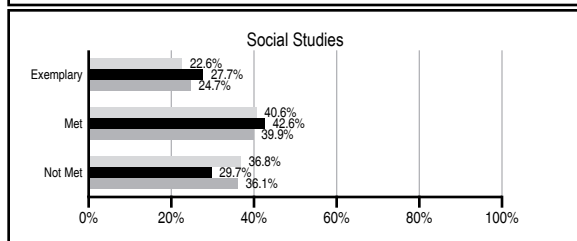
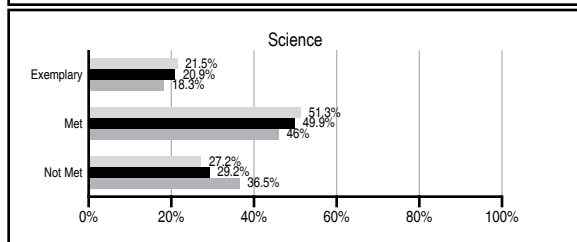
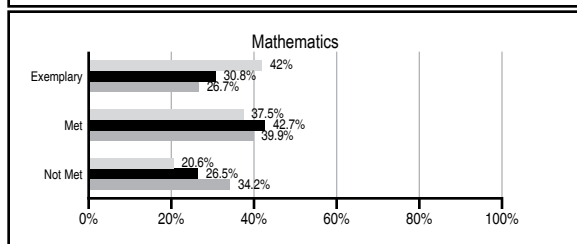
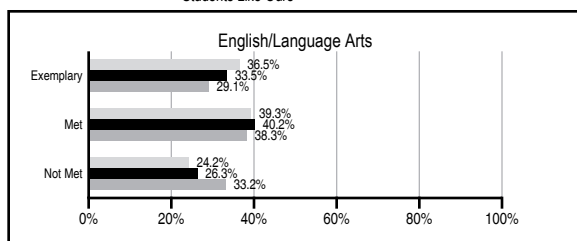
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	10	38	1	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	98.9	97.1
English 1	97.7	94.2
Physical Science	86.7	83.1
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	94.4	96.6

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=729)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	50.6%	Up from 45.5%	21.4%	21.6%
Retention rate	0.3%	Up from 0.1%	1.0%	1.2%
Attendance rate	95.8%	Up from 94.7%	95.9%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	8.1%	Up from 5.3%	18.0%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	10.4%	Up from 7.8%	12.7%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	2.1%	No Change	1.9%	2.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Down from 0.8%	0.8%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=43)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	58.1%	Up from 53.5%	57.4%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	86.0%	Up from 81.4%	76.9%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	4.3%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.7%	Up from 87.6%	85.4%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.3%	Down from 94.4%	95.3%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,413	Up 8.0%	\$47,350	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.6%	Down from 0.7%	0.6%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	24.1 days	Up from 12.0 days	11.5 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	11.0	Up from 10.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.8 to 1	Up from 21.2 to 1	21.8 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	83.4%	Down from 88.5%	90.2%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.3%	Down from 98.5%	98.6%	97.8%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,934	Up 4.0%	\$7,274	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.8%	Up from 58.3%	63.2%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.4%	Up from 54.8%	57.2%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	90.5%	Up from 71.4%	90.5%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	35	219	38
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.1%	80.6%	92.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	82.6%	89.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.0%	87.6%	80.6%

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Welcome to Woodruff Middle School, where the best get better! is the phrase that greeted 725 students every morning as the student body gathered to begin each morning of the 2008-2009 school year. This guiding principle organized each day as students were challenged to follow directions, be prepared, make good choices, and do their best. Woodruff Middle School has a heart for the unique emotional, social, and academic needs of a middle school student. This nurturing environment where students work within teams of teachers sets the stage for success. With strong support from the Woodruff community, parents, faculty, and staff, Woodruff Middle School students improved from best to even better.

Academic awards were numerous as 119 students were inducted into the Junior Beta Club, and eighth graders posted a 100% passing rate on the Algebra I End-of-Course exam. Nineteen students were recognized as Junior Scholars on the basis of outstanding PSAT scores. Twenty-four 7th grade students participated in the Duke TIP Program, and two of these students earned special state recognition. 185 students were honored at the Academic Awards Ceremony for maintaining a yearly average of 93 or better.

Fine art accomplishments included an "Excellent" rating for the Chorus at the Carowinds Festival. Twenty WMS students participated in the high school band and helped capture 2nd place in the upper state competition and 6th place in the state competition. Drama students staged performances of The Nifty Fifties in the Activity Center and for the student body. Students also participated in Spartanburg County Arts Partnership Muse Machine activities and attended performances at the Chapman Cultural Center. Six students had art works selected for display at the Spartanburg Chapman Cultural Center during Youth Art Month. Two art students were accepted in the South Carolina Governor's School "Discovery Summer Art Program." In athletics, 159 students participated in middle school sports. Thirty-two students received Edward Jones' Athlete of the Week recognition. During fall and winter sports, over 150 students were named All Academic, and 12 athletes were named All Conference. 121 middle school students also participated in jv and varsity sports offerings.

Interschool activities and events included extended-day Academic Focus groups, the second annual Math and Science Night, and approximately 300 students selected as "Student of the Month" by teachers. A new program, Real Men Read, invited guest speakers from area government and businesses to encourage student reading. Additionally, Woodruff Middle School students raised in excess of \$5,000 for cancer research in the local Relay for Life event. Our students sponsored the Project Warmth and donated warm clothing and blankets to the Helping Hands Ministry. Many students collected items for the local soup kitchen and Safe Haven.

Woodruff Middle School is committed to serving the needs of our community and its students by educating them academically, socially, and through extracurricular activities. In this school climate of high expectations—coupled with a caring, supportive staff—students lived up to the motto: Welcome to Woodruff Middle School, where the best get better!

Denise D. Brown, Principal

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