

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

R P Dawkins Middle
Spartanburg 6
Grades: 6-8
Principal: Ken Kiser
Superintendent: Darryl Owings
Board Chair: Mr. Alex Meadows

Enrollment: 815

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

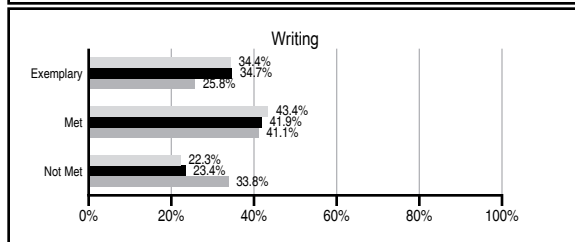
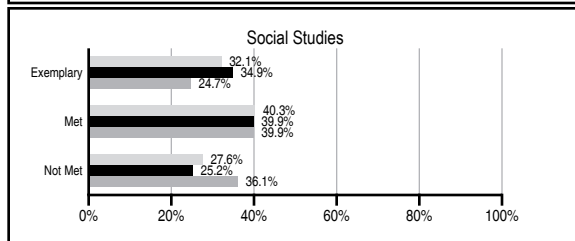
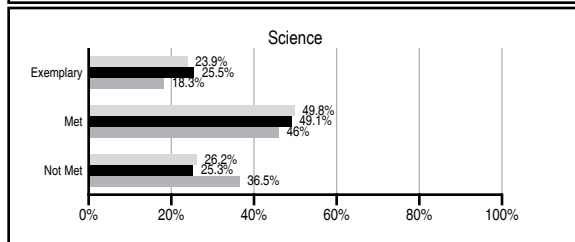
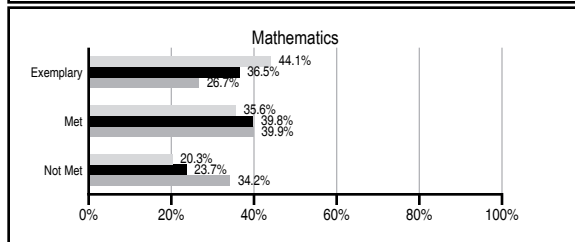
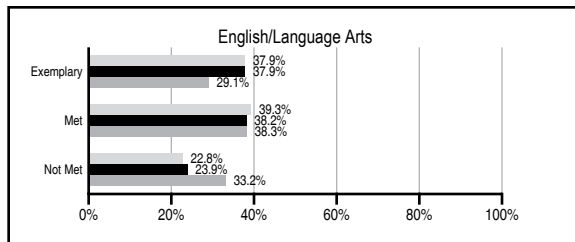
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	16	16	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	99.1
English 1	N/A	94.3
Physical Science	N/A	69.3
US History and the Constitution	N/A	100.0
All Subjects	100.0	98.3

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

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=815)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	15.4%	Down from 16.3%	27.2%	21.6%
Retention rate	0.0%	Down from 0.4%	1.1%	1.2%
Attendance rate	97.3%	Up from 97.1%	96.3%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	33.3%	Down from 37.5%	22.6%	14.8%
With disabilities other than speech	7.2%	Down from 8.2%	11.2%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	0.2%	Down from 0.8%	1.5%	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=54)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	72.2%	Down from 74.1%	60.2%	56.9%
Continuing contract teachers	75.9%	Up from 74.1%	77.3%	72.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	4.6%	5.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.4%	Down from 85.6%	85.6%	82.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.3%	Down from 95.6%	95.2%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,917	Up 6.2%	\$48,378	\$46,599
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 4.3%	0.0%	2.4%
Professional development days/teacher	17.4 days	Up from 15.4 days	10.6 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.9 to 1	Down from 23.0 to 1	21.5 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.2%	Up from 92.1%	90.5%	89.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	98.2%	97.8%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,418	Up 9.9%	\$6,987	\$7,645
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.7%	Up from 69.4%	66.3%	63.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	51.7%	Down from 66.5%	59.7%	57.0%
% of AYP objectives met	93.9%	Up from 72.4%	92.6%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.
** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	40	263	75
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	86.3%	88.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	90.1%	93.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.0%	86.6%	87.5%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The mission of Dawkins Middle School is to provide a safe, challenging, and positive learning environment where all students have the opportunity to be successful and prepare for their future. Our students and faculty have earned numerous awards and recognitions for their accomplishments this school year in academics, fine arts, athletics, and community service. In academics, we have 432 Honor Roll students that have earned state and national Beta Club convention awards, 57 Junior Scholars, 8 Duke Tip Scholars, and 100% Algebra EOC passing rate. Our students compete in the Math Counts, Battle of the Brains, and Knowledge Master Open academic competitions. In fine arts, our students earned superior ratings in orchestra, band, and chorus while winning many regional art awards. In athletics, Dawkins students were Peachtree Conference champions in football (undefeated), volleyball (undefeated), girl's basketball (undefeated), boy's basketball, and individual wrestling. Our students were also very active in community service projects by delivering meals for Mobile Meals, donating hundreds of books to needy children in the community, raising \$5,440 for Relay for Life, and donating over \$1,300 to feed hungry children through the Rice Bowls program.

The teachers at Dawkins Middle School are professional, caring, dedicated, talented, and very involved with our students, both in the classroom and with extracurricular activities. Our parents are very supportive and actively involved in the education of our students. The school district superintendent, administration, and board of trustees are very supportive and actively involved with the education of our students and visit our school often to interact with the students and staff. Students at Dawkins Middle School have the combined support of their teachers, administrators, parents, community partners, district staff, school board, and superintendent. We believe that by working together we can provide the safest, most challenging, and most positive environment possible for our students as we prepare them for their future.

We believe that preparing students for their future requires a commitment to excellence in academics, fine arts, athletics, and a positive attitude. Our Dawkins Middle School family is dedicated to the preparation of our students for their future in all of those areas, and we look forward to the continued success of our students.

Ken Kiser - Principal
Steve Martin - SIC Chairperson