



Petersburg Primary

326 North Arnold Street
Pageland, South Carolina

Grades	PK-2 Primary School	
Enrollment	415 Students	
Principal	Marcus Sutton	843-672-6241
Superintendent	Dr. John E. Williams	843-623-2175
Board Chair	Chad Vick	(843)623-6768

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2009 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2009	Excellent	Good
2008	Excellent	Excellent
2007	Excellent	N/A
2006	Excellent	Good
2005	Excellent	Excellent

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE 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.

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE 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.

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
7	1	0	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/12/2010. Primary Schools with Students like Ours are primary schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

Performance Rating Criteria

Prime instructional time	88.8%
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.1 to 1
Teachers with advanced degrees	65.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.2%
Percent of parents attending conferences	100.0%
Days of professional development devoted exclusively to knowledge and skills working with children less than eight years old	18.0 days

Types Of Accreditation (More Than One May Apply)

	Not pursuing accreditation
	Conducting a self-study
X	South Carolina Department of Education
X	Southern Association of Colleges and School
	American Montessori Society
	National Association for the Education of Young Children

School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Primary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Primary School
Students (n=415)				
First graders who attended full-day kindergarten	95.6%	Down from 95.8%	100.0%	100.0%
Retention rate	1.8%	Up from 1.2%	5.1%	3.6%
Attendance rate	95.8%	Up from 95.0%	95.5%	95.7%
With disabilities other than speech	1.2%	Down from 2.9%	6.0%	4.2%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=29)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	65.5%	Up from 60.0%	61.6%	60.7%
Continuing contract teachers	86.2%	Down from 86.7%	78.9%	83.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.2%	Down from 93.7%	89.4%	89.6%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Down from 96.1%	95.3%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,395	Up 0.3%	\$45,358	\$47,550
Professional development days/teacher	21.3 days	Up from 20.6 days	17.1 days	16.7 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	5.8	5.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.1 to 1	Up from 18.7 to 1	19.0 to 1	19.3 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.8%	Up from 87.9%	89.2%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,080	Up 16.4%	\$6,942	\$6,858
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	71.2%	Down from 71.9%	70.2%	70.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	68.3%	Up from 65.9%	63.2%	63.7%

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A--Not Applicable N/AV--Not Available N/C--Not Collected N/R--Not Reported I/S--Insufficient Sample

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

At Petersburg Primary School, our mission is to provide all students with a strong foundation for lifelong learning. The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accredits Petersburg Primary.

All of our teachers participated in extensive professional development. These topics included: test data analysis, South Carolina Curriculum Standards, early literacy strategies, mathematics, and Creative Curriculum. Teachers and para-professionals work collaboratively in teams-planning and implementing instructional strategies to improve student academic performance. In order to meet the challenges as reflected by the annual school report card, our school will continue to engage in quality classroom instruction with emphasis being placed on the extensive use of standards-based curriculum strategies in literacy and mathematics. Eight of our teachers are National Board Certified. Student recognition included the Governor's Reading Honor Roll and the Governor's citizenship award.

The PTO and the school planned various opportunities for families to visit our school. These special events included Muffins for Mom, Doughnuts for Dad, Book Fairs, Art Shows, Breakfast and Lunch with your Children, Family Literacy Night, and an RTI Parenting Workshop.

Petersburg Primary is supported by our parents, businesses, and community leaders through PTO, School Improvement Council, Volunteer Program, Mentoring Program, Student Recognition Program, Title I Planning Committee, and the Arts in Education Program. At Petersburg Primary School, we set high standards and exemplary academic endeavors for our students as we strive for excellence in education.

Marcus Sutton, Principal
Grace Baker, School Improvement Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers

	Teachers
Number of surveys returned	27
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	88.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	77.8%

Abbreviations for Missing Data

School Adequate Yearly Progress

NO

Definition: As required by the United States Department of Education, Adequate Yearly Progress specifies that the statewide target is met for "All Students" and for the following subgroups: Racial/Ethnic, Subsidized Meals, Disability, and Limited English Proficiency in the areas of English/Language Arts and Mathematics, as well as meeting the statewide target for "All Students" for attendance or graduation rate.

Teacher Quality and Student Attendance

	Our District	State
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	1.7%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.4%	5.8%

	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	95.8%	94.0%*	Yes

* Or greater than last year