SC Annual School Report Card Summary

ST STEPHEN MIDDLE
Berkeley
Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 226**
Principal: Brenda B. Jamison
Superintendent: Dr. Anthony Parker
Board Chair: Kathy Schwalbe

PERFORMANCE

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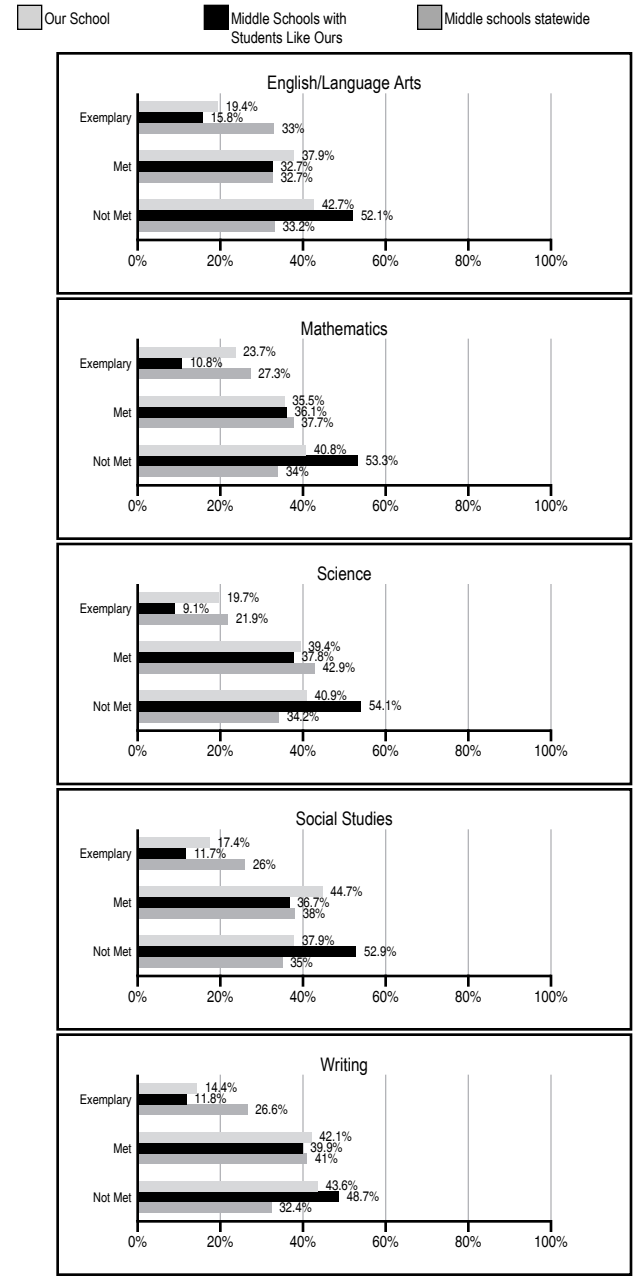
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2009	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	R-DELAY
2008	At-Risk	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	R

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	6	26	22

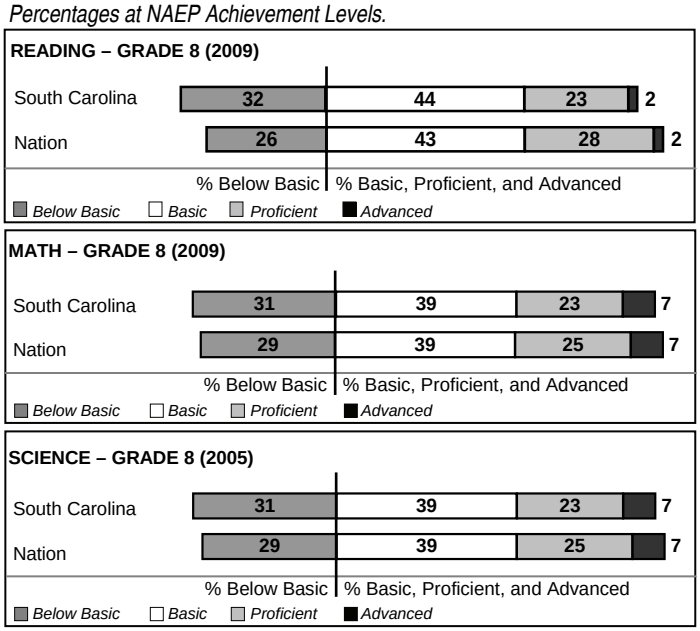
** Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.*

PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

** Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.*



END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	85.7	88.5
English 1	92.9	90.6
Physical Science	N/A	42.1
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	89.3	88.4

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=226)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	52.5%	Up from 32.0%	13.7%	24.2%
Retention rate	0.5%	Down from 0.9%	1.1%	0.7%
Attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 95.8%	95.4%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	7.7%	Down from 8.5%	5.1%	16.4%
With disabilities other than speech	16.3%	Up from 8.9%	14.8%	12.0%
Older than usual for grade	4.4%	Down from 7.2%	4.9%	2.2%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Down from 9.8%	0.4%	0.5%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=19)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	52.6%	Down from 62.5%	57.0%	58.5%
Continuing contract teachers	36.8%	Down from 56.3%	66.0%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	21.4%	Down from 26.7%	11.3%	4.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	59.8%	Up from 56.3%	76.9%	84.6%
Teacher attendance rate	93.9%	Down from 94.3%	95.4%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	$44,210	Down 6.3%	$44,863	$46,561
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	7.9%	1.3%
Professional development days/teacher	6.8 days	Down from 9.0 days	10.4 days	10.2 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.2 to 1	Down from 17.6 to 1	16.3 to 1	21.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.7%	Up from 88.7%	89.6%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	56.0%	Up from 51.6%	97.1%	98.1%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	$13,080	Up 19.8%	$10,588	$7,802
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	45.4%	Down from 46.3%	60.2%	63.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	42.5%	Up from 41.5%	55.5%	60.0%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	85.7%	92.3%

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

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	18	51	30
Percent satisfied with learning environment	94.4%	74.5%	89.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	80.4%	82.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	52.9%	80.0%	85.7%

*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

St. Stephen Middle School serves approximately 225 students in Grades 6 - 8. SSM is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Ninety-five percent of our students receive free or reduced lunches. Our school's theme is "Linking Rigor, Relevance, and Relationship: Connecting the Pieces for Student Success – Parents, Students, Teachers, Community."

St. Stephen Middle School experienced its third successful year with implementation of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), scoring a 98% on the School-wide Evaluation Tool (SET). This model has positively impacted our school climate, supported academic achievement efforts, and raised the level of student expectations and responsibility. Through the restructuring and reorganization of our school, St. Stephen Middle School has experienced growth in many areas. Other continued programs and initiatives include the following: Curriculum Mapping, Making Middle Grades Work, Professional Learning Communities At Work, On-site job-embedded Professional Development, A+ Lab (Content Recovery, Remediation, and Acceleration), implementation of a School Improvement Council (SIC) and Parent-Teacher Association, participation in Content-related Conferences and Workshops, Literacy Initiatives, Student Advisement programs, Student Goal-Setting sessions, and the use of Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) and Benchmark Assessment data to make informed data-driven instructional decisions to increase student achievement.

We are fortunate to have the support and partnerships of the following organizations that promote the educational pursuits of our community's youth: SPAWAR, United Way, Santee-Cooper, Berkeley County School District Mentoring Program, Angel Food Ministries, and other local businesses and churches.

Continuous articulation of St. Stephen Middle School's goals and expectations for students and staff are communicated on an ongoing basis. Data and pertinent school information is also shared throughout the year with students, staff, parents, and the community to maintain a clear sense of our district's mission, vision, goals, and expectations.

Kaye Owens, SIC Chairperson
Brenda Jamison, Principal Specialist

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