

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

NORTHWEST MIDDLE

Greenville

Grades: 6-8

Enrollment: 859

Principal: Lee Givins

Superintendent: Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher

Board Chair: Megan Hickerson

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	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

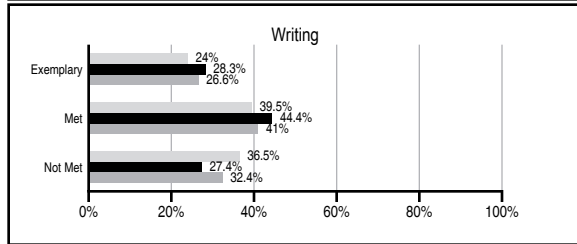
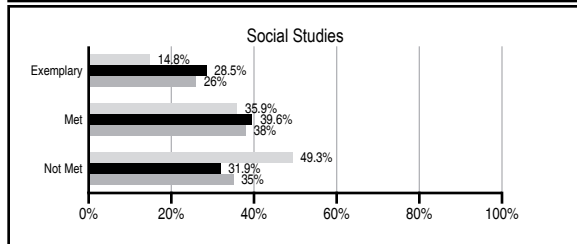
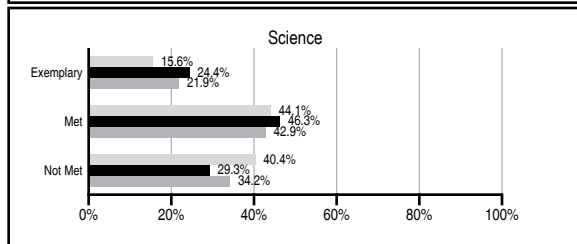
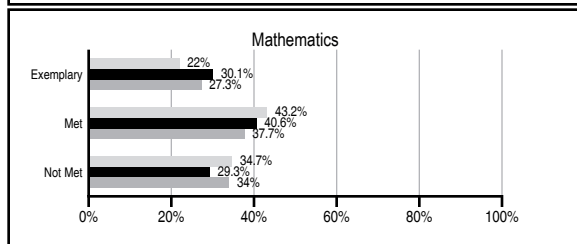
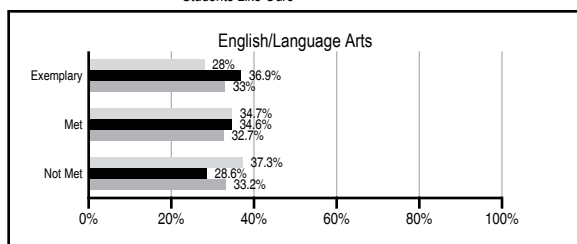
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	9	45	0	0

* 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.

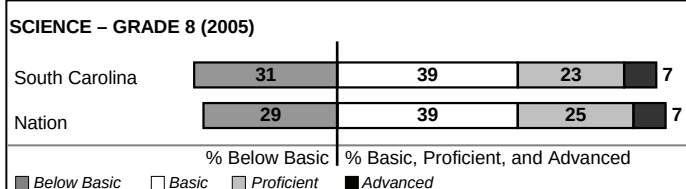
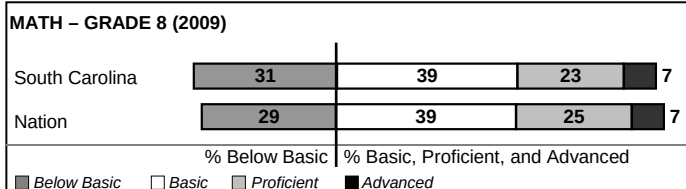
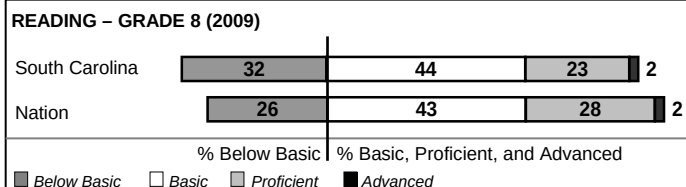
PASS PERFORMANCE

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.



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	100.0	96.6
English 1	100.0	97.6
Physical Science	N/A	53.0
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	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.

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

NORTHWEST MIDDLE [Greenville]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=859)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	15.0%	Up from 13.6%	24.3%	24.2%
Retention rate	2.1%	Down from 2.3%	0.8%	0.7%
Attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 94.8%	95.8%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	15.7%	Up from 15.5%	18.7%	16.4%
With disabilities other than speech	15.5%	Up from 14.7%	12.4%	12.0%
Older than usual for grade	2.4%	Up from 1.5%	2.1%	2.2%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.7%	Up from 0.6%	0.7%	0.5%
Annual dropout rate	0.2%	Down from 0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=48)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.7%	Up from 64.0%	61.5%	58.5%
Continuing contract teachers	93.8%	Up from 88.0%	84.6%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 4.2%	2.6%	4.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.4%	Up from 87.5%	86.1%	84.6%
Teacher attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 94.7%	95.6%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,894	Up 1.3%	\$47,447	\$46,561
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 1.0%	0.0%	1.3%
Professional development days/teacher	8.5 days	Up from 7.6 days	10.8 days	10.2 days
School				
Principal's years at school	9.0	Up from 8.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.9 to 1	Up from 26.7 to 1	21.9 to 1	21.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.6%	Up from 89.5%	90.6%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.9%	Up from 98.8%	98.8%	98.1%
Character development program	Average	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,348	Up 3.3%	\$7,538	\$7,802
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.0%	Up from 62.5%	63.9%	63.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.3%	Up from 59.4%	60.5%	60.0%
% of AYP objectives met	90.5%	No Change	93.1%	92.3%

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

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	51	234	93
Percent satisfied with learning environment	94.1%	70.0%	86.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.1%	71.6%	83.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.4%	83.3%	76.4%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Northwest Middle School is dedicated to the empowerment of students through innovative learning experiences. The student population is a diverse mix of cultural, socio-economic, and ethnic groups drawn from a wide geographic area in northern Greenville County. Northwest is an authorized International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program involving all students. Professional development of staff is a priority with teachers attending various state and national level conferences.

Classroom teachers use Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) and PASS data to target student learning. Teachers also utilize the district constructed content and pacing guides to provide beneficial lessons and information to students.

Many of our teachers have earned reputations as excellent classroom instructors. For several years they have been recognized in the top ten teachers of the year for the district. The SIC and PTSA continue to support our teachers and students in their quest for excellence in all they do. We recognize the importance of aligning instruction with standards in order to produce improved educational results of students.

The communities of Travelers Rest, Marietta, and Slater continue to support the mission and vision of Northwest Middle School. These communities have benefited from countless hours provided by students through participation in the IB program and BETA club. Student involvement in community organizations, churches, and service groups make a difference for the residents of northern Greenville County.

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