SC Annual School Report Card Summary

DACUSVILLE ELEMENTARY
Pickens
Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 654**
Principal: Michael W. Fleming
Superintendent: Henry H. Hunt, Ph.D.
Board Chair: Alex Saitta

PERFORMANCE

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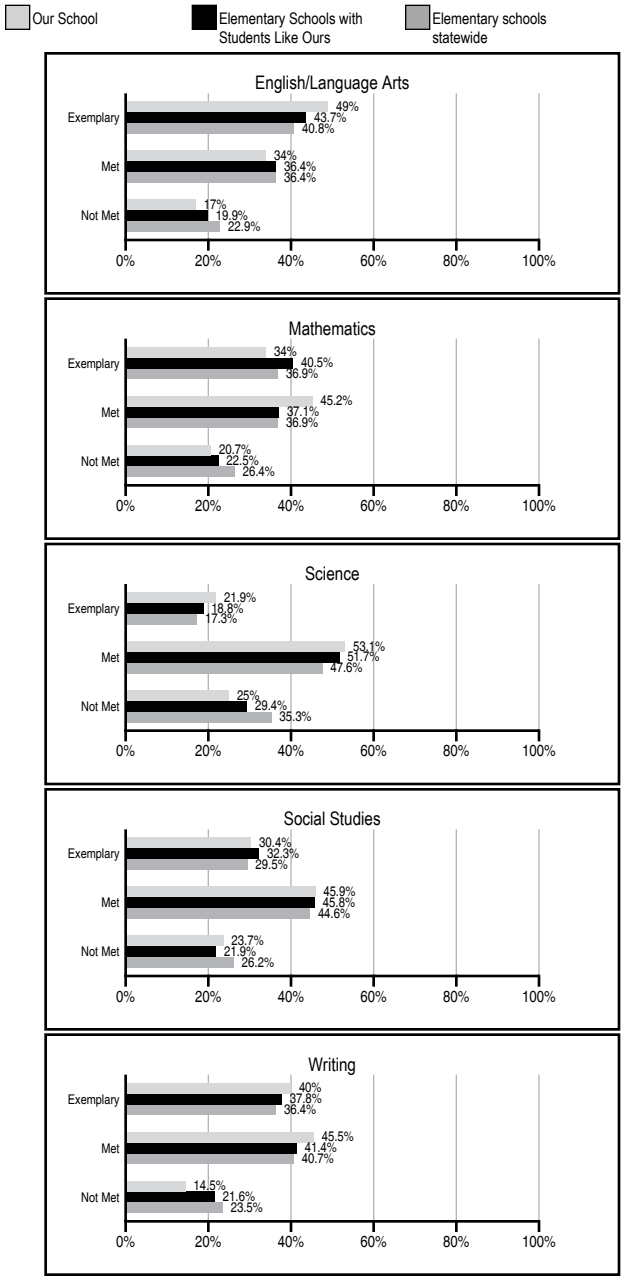
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2009	Good	Good	Silver	Silver	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
26	40	42	0	0

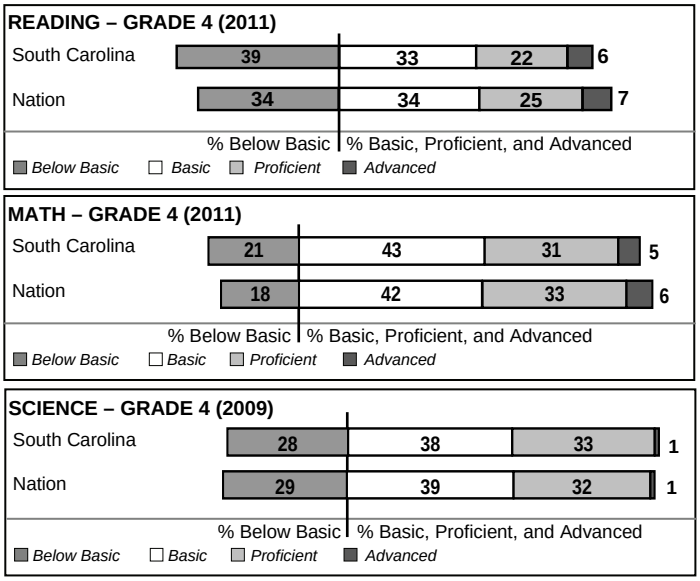
** Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.*

PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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



SC 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.

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DACUSVILLE ELEMENTARY [Pickens]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=654)				
Retention rate	2.3%	Down from 2.8%	1.1%	1.1%
Attendance rate	95.4%	Down from 96.2%	96.1%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	22.6%	Up from 18.5%	15.4%	13.4%
With disabilities other than speech	6.6%	Down from 7.8%	4.5%	4.1%
Older than usual for grade	0.3%	Down from 0.4%	0.2%	0.3%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.5%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=38)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	42.1%	Up from 41.0%	59.9%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	89.5%	Up from 76.9%	90.3%	88.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.4%	Up from 86.6%	88.4%	87.8%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Down from 98.7%	95.2%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	$45,575	Up 0.9%	$46,522	$46,773
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	19.6 days	Up from 13.5 days	10.3 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	8.0	Up from 7.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.3 to 1	Up from 20.9 to 1	20.4 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.7%	Down from 94.5%	90.4%	90.4%
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**	$6,913	Up 1.8%	$6,913	$7,447
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.0%	Up from 60.7%	68.4%	68.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.1%	Up from 57.4%	65.9%	65.8%
% of AYP objectives met	93.8%	Down from 100.0%	94.0%	90.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	40	105	72
Percent satisfied with learning environment	87.5%	82.7%	91.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	85.0%	81.4%	88.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.5%	86.5%	81.7%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Dacusville Elementary School serves a larger rural community in the northeastern corner of Pickens County. The faculty of 424 members and staff of 33members take pride in the educational opportunities we offer our 656 students and their parents. We have an active PTO, volunteer program, and School Improvement Council. Their efforts further enhance our educational program. A school nurse, guidance counselor, Zest Quest coach, and Therapeutic Behavioral counselor work to meet needs and coordinate outside services for students and families in need of assistance.

Students participate in Accelerated Reader, Classworks, and other computer-based instruction as a means of remediation and acceleration. An accelerated math course was implemented for grades four and five. The Zest Quest program promotes fitness and nutrition with weekly lessons in every classroom. Fitness for Fun and the DES athletic club offer students the opportunity for additional physical activity.

DES is proud to have six teachers who have earned National Board certification. Two additional teachers are in the process of earning their national certification.

DES is proud to be a Red Carpet school and a Safe Kids School. DES participates in various academic and enrichment programs, such as Superintendent's Writing Award, Lifelong Guidelines and Lifeskills, Traveling Trash Bash,Presidential awards for achievement and excellence, and many others. Dacusville Elementary School will continue to seek methods and means for preparing students for success beyond the classroom. Our goal is to make DES a happy place where all are learning.

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