



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

NEWBERRY MIDDLE
Newberry
Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 646
Principal: Katrina Singletary
Superintendent: Mr. Bennie Bennett
Board Chair: Mr. Jody Hamm

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	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Below Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2009	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

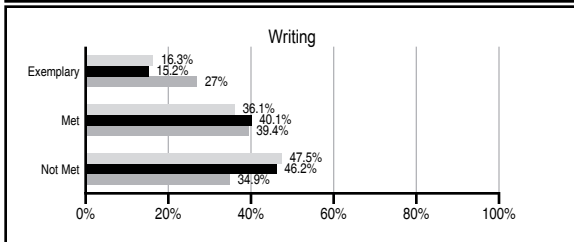
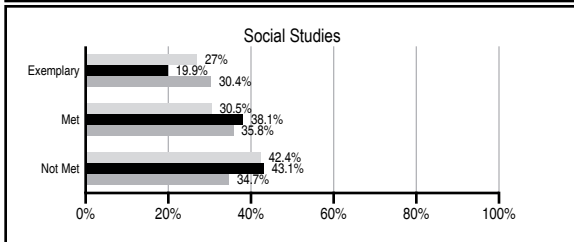
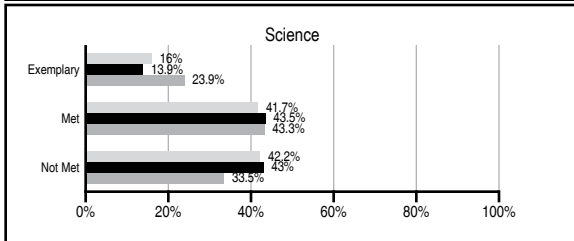
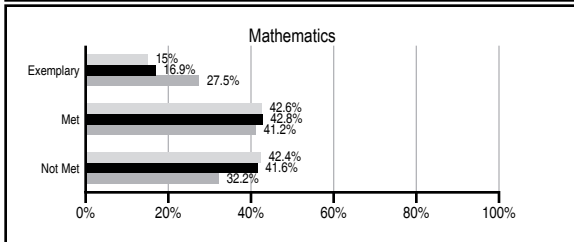
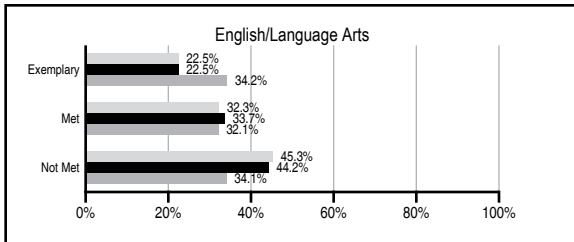
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	31	19	8

*Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. 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 - 2011

% 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	93.2
English 1	100.0	89.2
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	N/A	31.0
Physical Science	N/A	38.5
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	91.6

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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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=646)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	16.6%	Up from 14.3%	13.6%	24.5%
Retention rate	0.6%	Up from 0.3%	0.7%	0.7%
Attendance rate	95.3%	Up from 94.8%	95.7%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	13.0%	Down from 30.1%	11.0%	17.8%
With disabilities other than speech	9.7%	Down from 14.5%	10.7%	9.2%
Older than usual for grade	2.4%	Down from 2.7%	2.6%	1.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.9%	Down from 2.8%	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=48)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.7%	Up from 63.3%	60.0%	60.0%
Continuing contract teachers	66.7%	Up from 65.3%	73.3%	82.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.1%	Up from 80.5%	82.6%	85.6%
Teacher attendance rate	96.2%	Up from 93.5%	95.2%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,265	Up 2.8%	\$44,986	\$46,300
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	1.8%	1.2%
Professional development days/teacher	10.8 days	Down from 12.1 days	11.1 days	9.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18.0 to 1	Up from 17.7 to 1	20.0 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.6%	Up from 86.5%	90.2%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 92.9%	97.0%	98.1%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,302	Down 11.0%	\$8,692	\$7,634
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.6%	Up from 62.1%	63.1%	64.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.6%	Up from 58.2%	59.3%	61.2%
% of AYP objectives met	72.4%	Down from 89.7%	71.5%	80.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

During the 2010-2011 school year, Newberry Middle School continued its efforts to be a school where the standard is excellence. The slogan, "Whatever it takes, our kids are worth it!" is a strong part of our school culture. As a result, our students continued to excel in academics, athletics, and the arts. An 8th grader was selected as the SC Junior Beta Club Special Talent winner and won the chance to compete at the National Convention. Additionally, we earned an award for public speaking, knitting, and the poster contest giving NMS a total of six students competing at the National Convention. We had an 8th grade student win the first ever "SC This Schools Got Talent" competition allowing her to perform at the SC Teacher of the Year Banquet. A 6th grade student won 3rd place in a statewide PLTW T-shirt design contest. The district winner for the Superintendent's Writing Award was an 8th grade student. We had 19 students accepted into the From Middle School to College program sponsored by the SC Governor's School for Science and Mathematics and one student received an honorable mention at the regional science fair competition. We had three students win state and/or regional awards in the The Picasso Project sponsored by The Children's Trust of SC. We had a teacher recognized as being a state and national winner of the Adult Division of the National Career Development Association Poster and Poetry Contest.

As a faculty we continued our work with evaluating our assessments to ensure that they were aligned to SC Standards. We created a Data Room at our school and to ensure that our teachers had the opportunity to analyze our MAP/PASS data. Our teachers were given the opportunity to attend professional development in our district that was related to both instructional strategies and integrating technology into classroom practices.

Katrina L. Singletary, Principal
Sherry Underwood, SIC Chairperson

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	50	170	115
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.0%	75.1%	87.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	98.0%	78.1%	80.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	59.2%	84.6%	84.7%

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

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