SC Annual School Report Card Summary

LIBERTY MIDDLE
Pickens
Grades: 5-8 **Enrollment: 701**
Principal: Donivan Edwards
Superintendent: Henry H. Hunt, Ph.D.
Board Chair: Alex Saitta

PERFORMANCE

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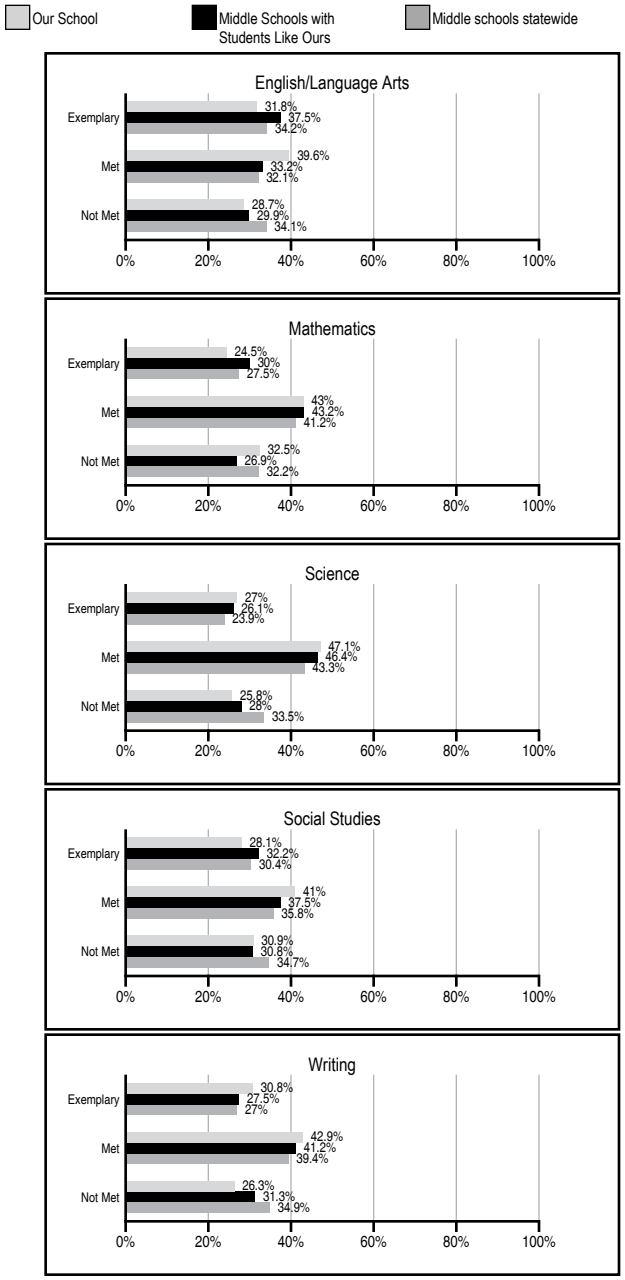
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
3	17	38	0	0

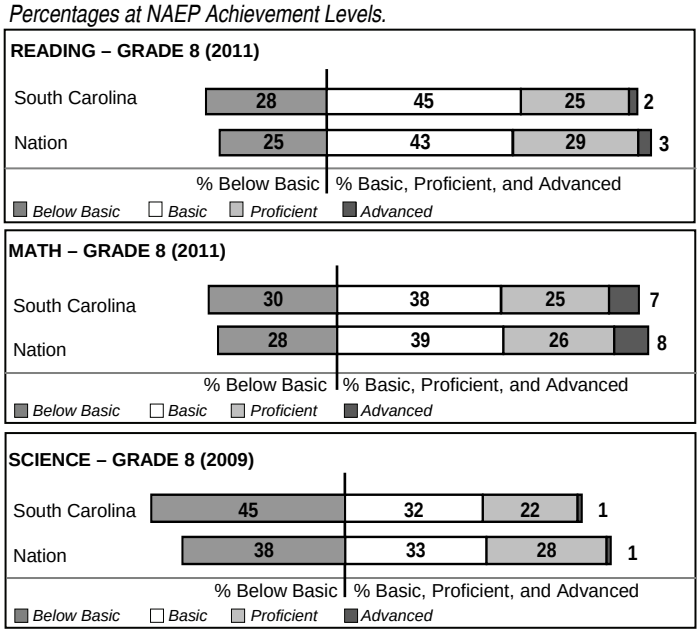
** Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.*

PASS PERFORMANCE



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	97.4
English 1	100.0	96.5
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	N/A	86.3
Physical Science	100.0	82.0
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	96.9

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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LIBERTY MIDDLE [Pickens]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=701)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	24.1%	Up from 15.6%	23.3%	24.5%
Retention rate	0.4%	Down from 0.9%	0.9%	0.7%
Attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 95.5%	95.8%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	15.8%	Down from 17.4%	20.5%	17.8%
With disabilities other than speech	12.1%	No Change	10.2%	9.2%
Older than usual for grade	3.5%	Up from 3.1%	1.5%	1.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.3%	Up from 0.0%	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=42)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.7%	Up from 63.6%	61.0%	60.0%
Continuing contract teachers	92.9%	Up from 81.8%	87.1%	82.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.0%	Up from 92.3%	86.9%	85.6%
Teacher attendance rate	94.6%	Up from 93.3%	94.9%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	$47,043	Up 1.1%	$46,623	$46,300
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	1.2%
Professional development days/teacher	10.9 days	Down from 17.2 days	9.6 days	9.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	11.2 to 1	Down from 17.8 to 1	21.6 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	86.7%	Up from 86.2%	89.9%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Up from Fair	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	98.3%	98.1%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	$6,721	Down 7.0%	$7,463	$7,634
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.6%	Up from 60.5%	64.7%	64.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.5%	Up from 56.0%	62.7%	61.2%
% of AYP objectives met	81.0%	Down from 90.5%	81.0%	80.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	14	157	77
Percent satisfied with learning environment	84.6%	72.0%	68.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	85.7%	72.0%	69.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	85.7%	84.1%	67.1%

*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

Greetings from Liberty Middle School!

The 2010-2011 school year was a very exciting one for us. We continued our MMGW initiatives which focused on student achievement and assignment completion. Becuse of this we have seen the number of students who were candidates for retention diminish and test scores improve in many areas.

Our Single Gender classes expanded into the 7th grade. We have seen sharp decreases in discipline issues and students who say they are more comfortable in their classrooms and that their individual needs are being met. In 2011-2012 Single Gender classes will be moving into the 8th Grade.

In 2011-2012 we will be transitioning to a new building, and we will no longer have the 5th grade as part of our student body. We have a new mascot , FALCONS, and school colors of red, black, and white.

We believe this will be a very busy and exciting year for all of us. Please get involved and help us as we grow. We are PROUD TO BE FROM LIBERTY!

Donivan Edwards, Principal
Elaine Dacus, SIC Chair

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