



North Charleston Elementary

4921 Durant Avenue
North Charleston, SC

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	562 Students	
Principal	Cindy Saulsberry	843-745-7107
Superintendent	Dr. Nancy J. McGinley	843-937-6319
Board Chair	Mr. Chris Fraser	843-725-7200

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2012 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2012	Below Average	Below Average
2011	Below Average	Average
2010	Below Average	Average
2009	At-Risk	Below Average
2008	At-Risk	At-Risk

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA 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.

<http://ed.sc.gov>
<http://www.eoc.sc.gov>

Percent of Student PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating

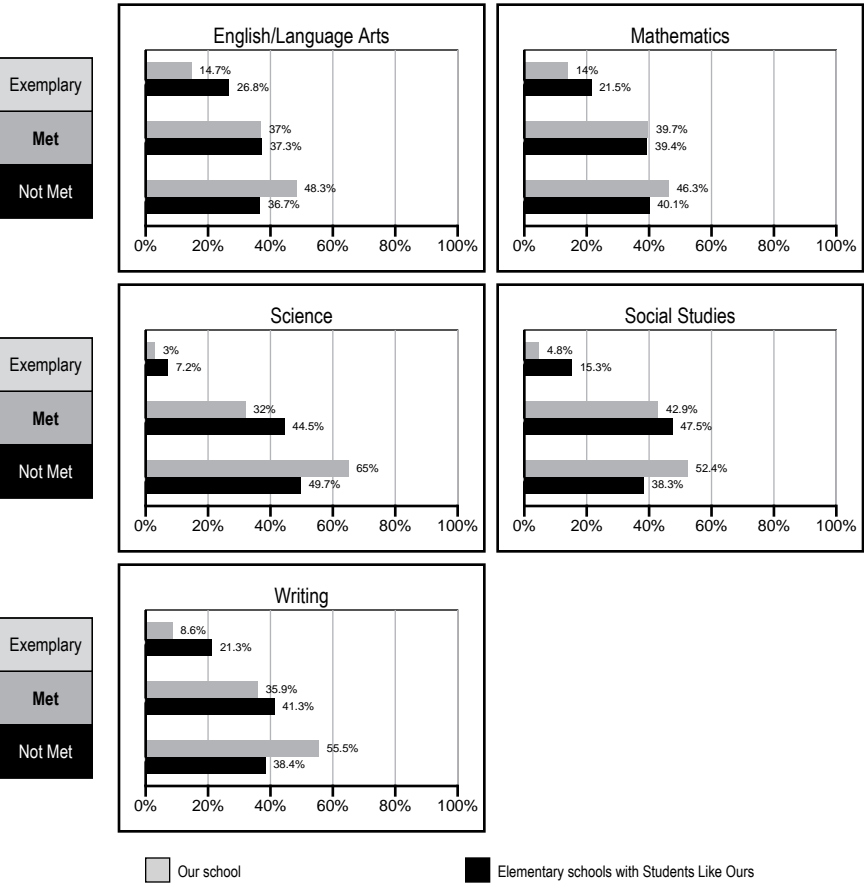
Percent of students tested in 2011-12 whose 2010-11 test scores were located | 97.1%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
2	9	77	47	19

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012.

Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS)



* Elementary schools with Students Like Ours are elementary schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

Definition of Critical Terms

Exemplary	"Exemplary" means the student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means the student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" means that the student did not meet the grade level standard.

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School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=562)				
First graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention rate	0.0%	No Change	1.3%	1.0%
Attendance rate	97.3%	Up from 95.5%	96.3%	96.6%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.5%	Down from 1.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=48)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.0%	No Change	62.5%	63.0%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	74.5%	Down from 76.9%	85.3%	88.7%
Teacher attendance rate	98.3%	Up from 96.4%	95.5%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$41,222	Down 1.1%	\$44,941	\$47,210
Professional development days/teacher	7.7 days	Down from 14.3 days	9.6 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 4.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.8 to 1	Down from 16.9 to 1	18.0 to 1	20.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	95.4%	Up from 91.6%	90.6%	90.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.9%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,614	Down 10.5%	\$8,386	\$7,247
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.9%	No Change	66.0%	68.2%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	69.8%	Up from 68.9%	62.9%	65.7%

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

North Charleston Elementary is a Title One school currently striving to move forward in areas of literacy and overall academic achievement. We are doing this through a variety of school-based initiatives to include classroom activities, such as RIT-based instructional groups, data-driven decision making, action-based learning, mastery Teaching Model, implementation of higher order thinking skills and thinking maps, and additional classroom teacher positions to allow smaller class sizes. We have also employed a variety of interventions including Wilson reading, Read Well, Number Worlds, and Voyager. This year's school-wide initiatives also include after-school tutoring for students in the 30th to 40th percentile on Measures of Academic Progress, reading incentive activities to promote literacy at home, and parent tutorial workshops to promote increased academic participation by parents and community members.

North Charleston Elementary has a community involvement partnership with Communities in Schools. This allows a variety of resources including mentors, lunch buddies, social-skills groups, Coast Guard volunteers, community volunteers and outreach programs. We have achieved strong community and family involvement by providing programs such as Parent University, an active School Improvement Council, and PTA. Being a Trident United Way Links to Success site also provides additional support for our families through partnerships with Communities in Schools, the Department of Mental Health, the Low Country Food Bank, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Reading Soul Mates. Partnerships with the local Rotary Club, North Charleston United Methodist Church, and Mount Moriah Baptist Church provide extra academic and social support.

Shavonna Coakley, Interim Principal
Christina Dennard, SIC Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	18	83	56
Percent satisfied with learning environment	50.0%	85.5%	79.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	72.2%	80.5%	82.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	38.9%	80.5%	84.6%

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

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ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System

In July 2012, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/eSEA/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

Overall Weighted Points Total	37.6
Overall Grade Conversion	F

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the state's expectations

Accountability Indicator for Title I Schools

North Charleston Elementary school has been designated as a:

- ☐ Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
- ☐ Title I Reward School for Progress – one of the schools with substantial progress in student subgroups.
- ☐ Title I Focus School – one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
- ☐ Title I Priority School – one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
- ☒ Title I School – does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
- ☐ Non-Title I School – therefore the designations above are not applicable.

Teacher Quality and Student Attendance

	Our District	State
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.3%	2.6%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	8.3%	5.1%

	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	7.9%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	97.3%	94.0%*	Yes

* Or greater than last year

Performance By Group

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested
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Grades 3-5

All Students	625.5	622.9	588.0	601.8	98.8	99.4
Male	623.3	626.1	591.3	605.8	98.8	99.4
Female	627.9	619.5	584.7	597.4	98.8	99.4
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
African American	623.3	620.6	586.0	600.2	98.9	99.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	631.0	627.4	593.0	608.0	100.0	100.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disabled	592.2	583.6	553.6	576.4	94.7	100.0
Limited English Proficient	630.9	625.5	593.3	607.3	100.0	100.0
Subsidized meals	624.2	621.9	587.2	601.3	99.0	99.7
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	630.0	630.0	630.0	630.0	95.0	95.0

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PASS Performance By Grade Level

	Grade	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met or Exemplary
English/Language Arts							
2011	3	71	98.6	40.6	37.5	21.9	59.4
	4	116	98.3	38	43.5	18.5	62
	5	126	97.6	45.7	39.7	14.7	54.3
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012	3	71	98.6	56.5	17.7	25.8	43.5
	4	128	99.2	39.8	46	14.2	60.2
	5	144	98.6	50.4	38.6	11	49.6
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mathematics							
2011	3	71	100	61.5	30.8	7.7	38.5
	4	116	100	27.7	43.6	28.7	72.3
	5	126	97.6	51.7	36.2	12.1	48.3
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012	3	71	98.6	58.1	25.8	16.1	41.9
	4	128	99.2	38.9	46.9	14.2	61.1
	5	144	98.6	46.5	40.2	13.4	53.5
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Science							
2011	3	35	100	66.7	30.3	3	33.3
	4	116	100	60.6	37.2	2.1	39.4
	5	60	100	57.9	40.4	1.8	42.1
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012	3	33	100	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	21.4
	4	128	100	61.4	36.8	1.8	38.6
	5	70	100	65.1	28.6	6.3	34.9
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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PASS Performance By Grade Level

	Grade	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met or Exemplary
Social Studies							
2011	3	36	100	71.9	25	3.1	28.1
	4	116	98.3	35.9	57.6	6.5	64.1
	5	65	96.9	61	30.5	8.5	39
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012	3	38	100	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	28.6
	4	128	100	39.5	53.5	7	60.5
	5	72	100	65.6	29.7	4.7	34.4
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Writing							
2011	3	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	121	99.2	44	39.7	16.4	56
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012	3	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	143	99.3	55.5	35.9	8.6	44.5
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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