



Jefferson Elementary School

809 W. Elizabeth Street
Jefferson, SC 29718

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	376 Students	
Principal	Wendy P. Folsom	843-658-3295
Superintendent	Dr. J. Harrison Goodwin	843-623-2175
Board Chair	Mr. James N. Sweeney	843-537-4663

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2012 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD



RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2012	Excellent	Good
2011	Good	Average
2010	Average	Excellent
2009	Average	Average
2008	Average	Below Average

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

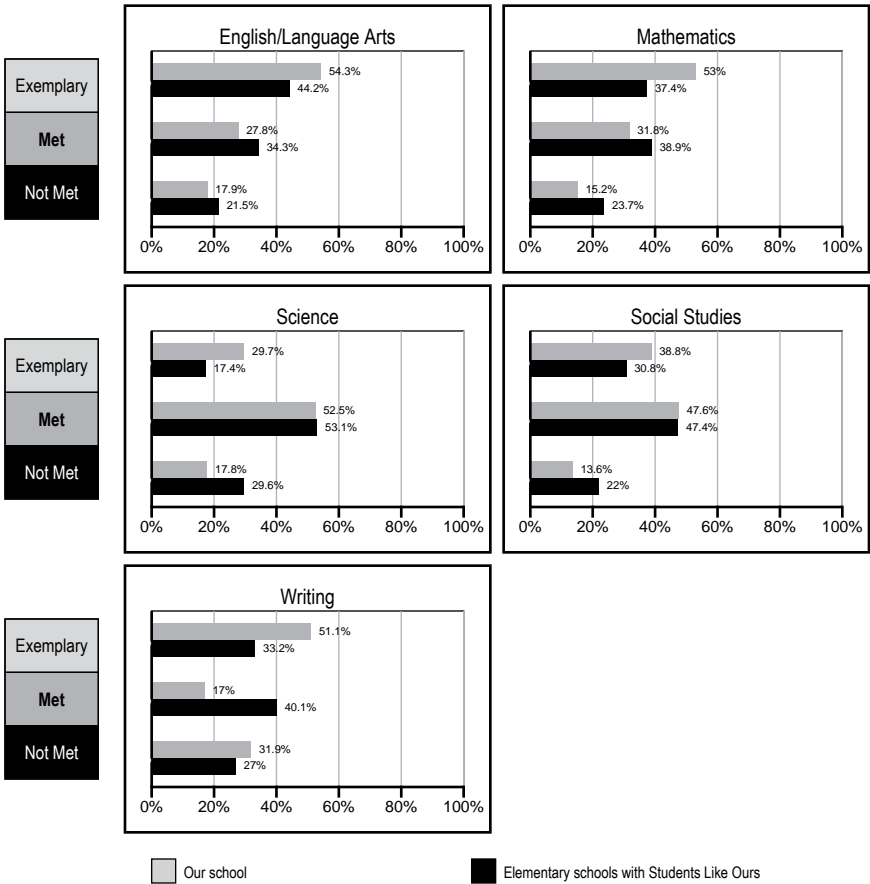
Percent of students tested in 2011-12 whose 2010-11 test scores were located | 99%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
25	47	48	2	0

* 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=376)				
First graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention rate	4.4%	Up from 2.8%	1.2%	1.0%
Attendance rate	96.6%	Up from 96.1%	96.4%	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	0.3%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=20)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	85.0%	No Change	61.6%	63.0%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	87.5%	Down from 89.1%	89.9%	88.7%
Teacher attendance rate	96.2%	Down from 96.3%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,665	Down 0.8%	\$47,395	\$47,210
Professional development days/teacher	16.6 days	Up from 6.5 days	10.7 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.4 to 1	Up from 20.5 to 1	20.1 to 1	20.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.0%	Down from 91.2%	90.2%	90.5%
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**	\$6,921	Down 10.6%	\$6,964	\$7,247
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.6%	Down from 70.0%	67.8%	68.2%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	65.7%	Down from 65.9%	65.9%	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

The 2011-2012 school year at Jefferson Elementary School has proven to be a successful one. Our students continue to make significant gains in academics, athletics, and community service. We are proud of their accomplishments.

Jefferson Elementary School strives to meet the rigorous requirements set forth by No Child Left Behind (NCLB). All certified and non-certified staff meets the "Highly Qualified" status defined by NCLB. Students at Jefferson Elementary continue to increase PASS scores in all areas. For this effort, our school has earned a "Good" classification for overall rating on the School Report Card for this school year. As a result of this accomplishment, Jefferson Elementary School has been recognized as a Palmetto Silver Award winning school in 2004-2005, 2005-2006, 2006-07, and 2007-08. In 2010-11 we received a Palmetto Gold Award for our "Excellent" improvement rating. We also received a Palmetto Silver Award for our "Closing the Gap" achievement. This school year we earned a Palmetto Silver Award for our "Good" overall rating.

In addition to instruction received in the classroom, Jefferson Elementary tries to enrich and broaden the students' educational experiences through various extracurricular activities. Educational field trips are taken to aquariums, museums, zoos, and state parks. Sandhills Fire Department spends one day with us in October to demonstrate to students aspects of fire safety. PTO has sponsored many activities this year for students including: Mega Party, Awards Days, All A Banquet, Honor Roll Party, and student dances.

Jefferson Elementary students have the opportunity to participate in various community service projects. This year the students have raised \$4,000 + for The American Cancer Society through Relay for Life, collected many pints of blood for the Red Cross, and raised nearly \$1,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital through participation in St. Jude Math-a-Thon.

Jefferson Elementary School is committed to excellence and is proud to provide a safe and nurturing environment that challenges all of its students to grow and learn. With the support of parents, community, and businesses, the students of our school will continue this tradition.

Wendy Folsom, Principal Jefferson Elementary School
Beverly Kirkley, School Improvement Council Chair

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	39	28
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	97.4%	85.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	97.4%	71.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	90.0%	89.7%	64.3%

* 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	99.8
Overall Grade Conversion	A

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

Jefferson Elementary School 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	N/A	2.6%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	7.1%	5.1%

	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	96.6%	94.0%*	Yes

* Or greater than last year

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Performance By Group

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested
Grades 3-5						
All Students	669.1	678.6	645.0	650.4	99.4	99.4
Male	666.0	680.8	648.6	653.9	98.7	98.7
Female	672.1	676.4	641.2	646.9	100.0	100.0
White	678.8	692.7	656.0	659.6	100.0	100.0
African American	652.3	654.6	622.4	629.1	97.9	97.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disabled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized meals	654.6	661.3	631.9	635.5	99.0	99.0
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	59	100	12.3	29.8	57.9	87.7
	4	51	100	23.9	30.4	45.7	76.1
	5	51	100	18.4	55.1	26.5	81.6
	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
2012	3	52	98.1	12	22	66	88
	4	56	100	14.8	27.8	57.4	85.2
	5	48	100	25	33.3	41.7	75
	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	59	100	10.5	17.5	71.9	89.5
	4	51	100	17.4	28.3	54.3	82.6
	5	51	100	18.4	44.9	36.7	81.6
	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
2012	3	52	98.1	8	34	58	92
	4	56	100	7.4	31.5	61.1	92.6
	5	48	100	29.2	29.2	41.7	70.8
	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	31	100	33.3	46.7	20	66.7
	4	51	100	32.6	52.2	15.2	67.4
	5	25	100	40	44	16	60
	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	25	100	24	40	36	76
	4	56	100	11.1	64.8	24.1	88.9
	5	23	100	26.1	34.8	39.1	73.9
	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	30	100	13.8	27.6	58.6	86.2
	4	51	100	28.3	43.5	28.3	71.7
	5	26	100	37.5	33.3	29.2	62.5
	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
2012	3	27	96.3	8	44	48	92
	4	55	100	9.4	52.8	37.7	90.6
	5	25	100	24	40	36	76
	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	51	92.2	31.1	26.7	42.2	68.9
	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
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	48	97.9	31.9	17	51.1	68.1
	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

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