

# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Bethany Elementary School  
Clover School District Two  
Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 283  
Principal: Calub Courtwright  
Superintendent: Marc J. Sosne  
Board Chair: Franklin Pendleton

## PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD |                 | ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM |                          |
|------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
|      |                 |               | General Performance            | Closing the Gap | ESEA Grade                                | Accountability Indicator |
| 2012 | Excellent       | Excellent     | TBD                            | TBD             | A                                         | N/A                      |
| 2011 | Excellent       | Excellent     | Gold                           | N/A             | Met                                       | N/A                      |
| 2010 | Excellent       | Excellent     | Gold                           | Silver          | Met                                       | N/A                      |

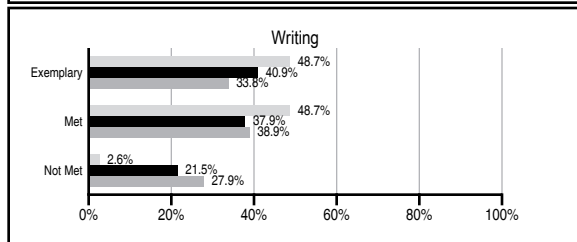
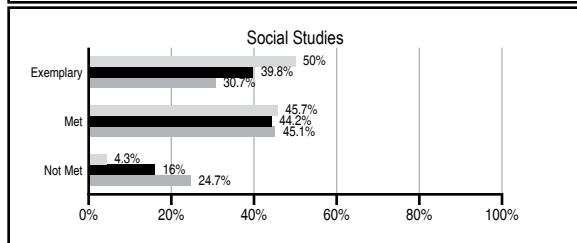
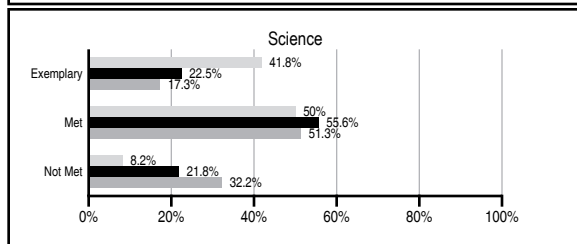
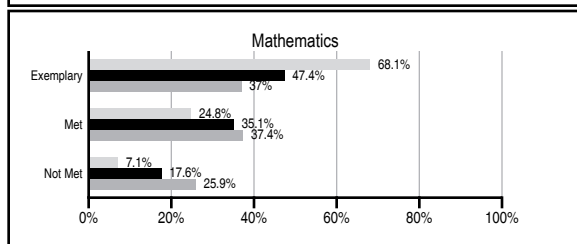
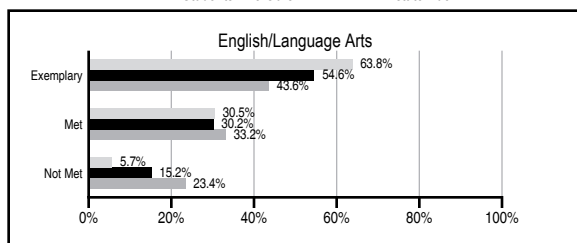
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 46        | 21   | 4       | 1             | 0       |

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

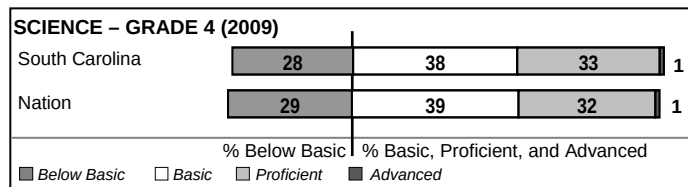
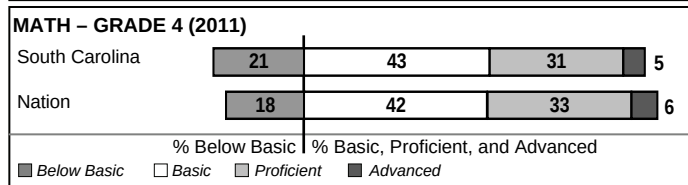
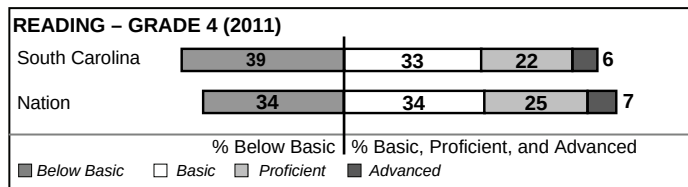
## PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



## 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.

### Abbreviations Key

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# Bethany Elementary School [Clover School District Two]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

|                                                                              | Our School | Change from Last Year | Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours | Median Elementary School |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Students (n=283)</b>                                                      |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Retention rate                                                               | 0.4%       | Up from 0.0%          | 0.9%                                       | 1.0%                     |
| Attendance rate                                                              | 97.0%      | Up from 96.5%         | 97.0%                                      | 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 | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| <b>Teachers (n=20)</b>                                                       |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                                               | 80.0%      | Up from 77.3%         | 62.5%                                      | 63.0%                    |
| Continuing contract teachers                                                 | N/AV       | N/AV                  | N/AV                                       | N/AV                     |
| Teachers returning from previous year                                        | 90.0%      | Down from 90.8%       | 90.5%                                      | 88.7%                    |
| Teacher attendance rate                                                      | 98.2%      | Up from 97.2%         | 95.1%                                      | 95.1%                    |
| Average teacher salary*                                                      | \$54,636   | Down 0.6%             | \$47,968                                   | \$47,210                 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                              | 0.0%       | No Change             | 0.0%                                       | 0.0%                     |
| Professional development days/teacher                                        | 14.6 days  | Up from 11.0 days     | 9.6 days                                   | 10.5 days                |
| <b>School</b>                                                                |            |                       |                                            |                          |
| Principal's years at school                                                  | 2.0        | Up from 1.0           | 4.0                                        | 4.0                      |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 18.3 to 1  | Up from 17.5 to 1     | 20.6 to 1                                  | 20.0 to 1                |
| Prime instructional time                                                     | 93.7%      | Up from 92.5%         | 91.1%                                      | 90.5%                    |
| Opportunities in the arts                                                    | Good       | No Change             | Good                                       | Good                     |
| SACS accreditation                                                           | Yes        | Up from No            | Yes                                        | Yes                      |
| Parents attending conferences                                                | 99.4%      | Down from 99.6%       | 100.0%                                     | 100.0%                   |
| Character development program                                                | Excellent  | No Change             | Excellent                                  | Excellent                |
| Dollars spent per pupil**                                                    | \$10,983   | Down 4.1%             | \$6,749                                    | \$7,247                  |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 68.8%      | Up from 67.9%         | 69.2%                                      | 68.2%                    |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**                               | 66.5%      | Up from 65.0%         | 67.3%                                      | 65.7%                    |
| ESEA composite index score                                                   | 100.0      | N/A                   | 95.4                                       | 91.9                     |

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

|                                                        | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 21       | 38        | 36       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 100.0%   | 100.0%    | 97.1%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 100.0%   | 97.4%     | 94.3%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 100.0%   | 94.7%     | 97.1%    |

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Bethany Elementary School is a pre-k through 5th grade school serving about 300 students. Bethany's mission is to prepare each child for a successful and productive future. We will continue to assess our strengths and weakness for school improvement. Bethany will continue to set new goals for improved student performance and will continue to focus attention on student achievement, teacher quality, parent involvement, and character education.

Academic excellence and student engagement continue to be the focus of Bethany Elementary School. The Bethany community, staff, and students are proud of their accomplishments and are committed to the belief that all children can be successful in school. High expectations for student performance are evident. Bethany students continue to score above the state average on the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards and have been recognized for academic excellence.

While academics are our focus special programs and initiatives beyond the classroom are available through other avenues such as student council, safety patrol, art club, Girls on the Run, boys sports club, recycling club, cup stacking club, chorus, Accelerated Reader, Math Superstars, and the Academically Gifted program give students more opportunities in advancing their skills.

Character education is an important part of our school with administrators and teachers emphasizing a new character trait each month. Students in grades 3—5 participated in stations during a Career Day at Bethany. The students were exposed to eight different careers.

Bethany's goal is to ensure that students demonstrate competency in the core academic areas and exhibit the qualities of responsible and productive members of society. Staff development opportunities are provided on an ongoing basis to enhance classroom instruction. During the 2011—2012 school year, our teachers participated in district-wide collaboration sessions, vertical planning at the school level, and other professional development specific to teacher needs. Our teachers continue to study areas of need and interest and collaborate effectively with their colleagues.

Parent and community involvement are the cornerstones of our school's character. This is obvious as one attends special events such as the family picnic or "COW" (Celebrating Our Work) night at Bethany. A dedicated and involved PTO and SIC continue to provide leadership and vision in the quest for excellence at our school. As we move forward, the school and community remain committed to the success of all students served at Bethany.

Calub Courtwright, Principal  
Stephanie Splawn, SIC Chair

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NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status