



Kingston Elementary School

4580 Highway 472
Conway, SC 29527

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	621 Students	
Principal	Mary J. Anderson	843-365-3777
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Board Chair	Joe DeFeo	843-222-5912

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2013 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD



RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2013	Good	Below Average
2012	Good	Average
2011	Good	Good
2010	Good	Good
2009	Average	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.

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

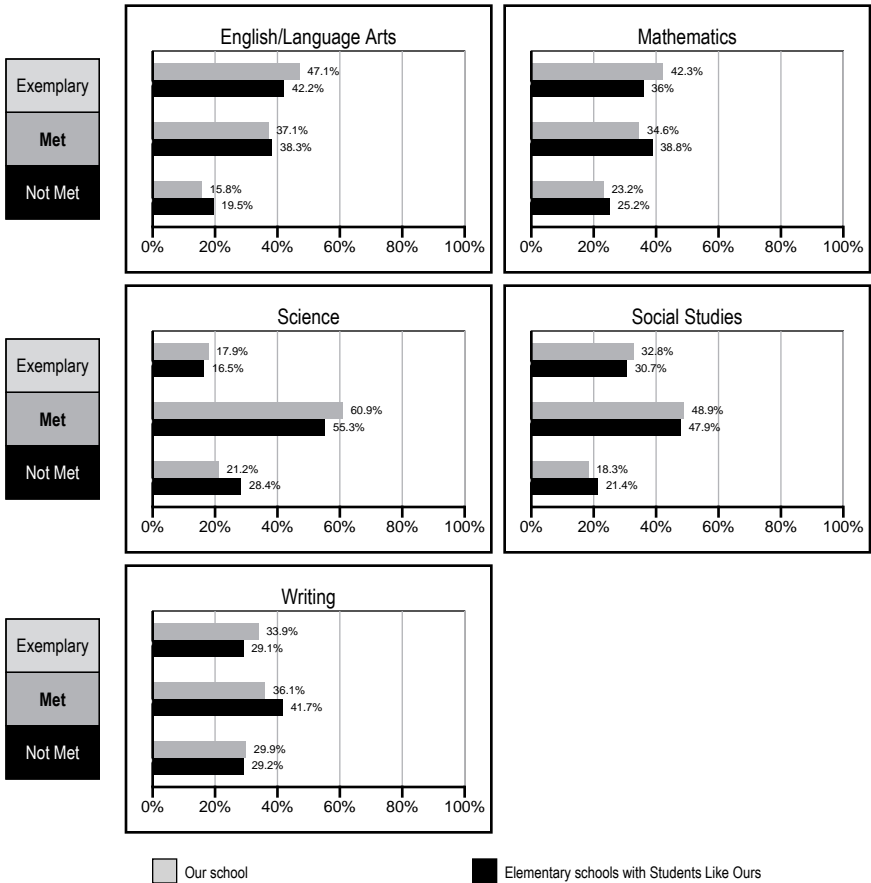
Percent of students tested in 2012-13 whose 2011-12 test scores were located | 96.6%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
14	43	62	2	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 12/14/2013.

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=621)				
First graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention rate	0.5%	Up from 0.3%	1.3%	0.9%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 95.6%	96.1%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	8.6%	N/A	7.0%	7.2%
With disabilities	14.4%	N/A	14.2%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	1.2%	N/A	2.3%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.8%	Down from 4.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=40)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.5%	Up from 61.5%	61.5%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	80.0%	Down from 84.6%	85.7%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.8%	Up from 90.0%	89.4%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	93.8%	Down from 94.3%	94.6%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$53,105	Up 2.7%	\$48,580	\$48,193
Professional development days/teacher	21.5 days	Down from 24.9 days	11.2 days	11.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	14.0	Up from 13.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.0 to 1	Down from 24.1 to 1	20.1 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	86.4%	Down from 87.1%	89.5%	90.0%
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**	\$8,684	Up 0.6%	\$7,473	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.0%	Down from 66.6%	68.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	62.0%	Up from 61.5%	65.0%	66.0%

* 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

Kingston Elementary is a community based rural school serving approximately 650 students, Child Development through fifth grade. Our students are provided challenging and meaningful instruction through the skills of highly qualified teachers. The 2012-2013 school year has been a successful one. Increasing reading comprehension skills in grades three through five was a priority for the year as established by the instructional staff. We continued our efforts to enhance literacy instruction. Reading intervention programs were continued to provide additional support. As a result, teachers participated in professional growth and collaborative planning activities with a focus on a core reading program, the use of lexiles, and integration of content material. Professional development was also provided to increase knowledge of Common Core Standards. Staff development with the CORE reading consultant enhanced instructional efforts. DIBELS Next was used as a reading assessment for kindergarten, first grade, and second grade. Ninety three percent of kindergarten students, seventy four percent of first grade students, and sixty eight percent of second grade students reached benchmark. Students in grades three through five received grade level reading instruction in a whole group model while small group instruction was provided for remediation or acceleration. Literacy workstations were refined to allow for independent reading time and fluency practice. The performance level of students in mathematics continues to be higher than ELA. To ensure continuous growth, students work in TEAM time groups for thirty minutes of daily math skills lessons. Additionally, our students are active users of technology in order to develop skills needed in the 21st Century. Local school funds continue to support staff development activities for staff members and provide instructional materials for teachers and students.

The staff and school community share the mission to provide all children opportunities to excel in academics and develop positive social behaviors. The PTO works collaboratively with the staff to provide parenting family activities. Family and community events were well attended. School Improvement Council worked to increase the number of volunteers involved in school activities. Through these efforts, each classroom was provided with at least one volunteer to tutor students in academic areas. Community and service related activities included Jump Rope for Heart, March of Dimes, CAP food drives, and HTC recycling. K Kids, a kid's service club sponsored by the Kiwanis, was started this year. Fourth grade students received awards for recycling efforts with the Solid Waste Authority. Students enjoyed enrichment of the arts through activities such as Fine Arts Day, May Day Play Day, Bingo for Books, and field day. The families and community members made events such as Grits for Grandparents, Muffins for Moms, and Doughnuts for Dads a tremendous success.

Kingston Elementary parents and staff feel this is a safe school where their children are challenged academically and appreciated personally. We will continue to strive for excellence and work to ensure all students reach their academic potential. Achievements of Kingston Elementary are due to the dedication of its students, school staff, parents, and community. The support of the community at large is appreciated in our quest to provide a quality learning experience for all students. Together, we will help each student reach success.

Mary J. Anderson, Principal
Franklin Sanders, SIC Chairperson

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	97	55
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.3%	82.5%	92.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%	82.3%	88.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.7%	87.5%	84.9%

* 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 2013, 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	84.5
Overall Grade Conversion	B

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

Kingston 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	1.6%	2.3%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.6%	4.9%

	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	95.5%	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	671.0	654.6	626.0	642.8	99.7	100.0
Male	663.3	649.0	626.1	640.6	99.4	100.0
Female	679.3	660.5	625.9	644.8	100.0	100.0
White	678.4	662.3	633.0	647.7	100.0	100.0
African American	642.7	619.8	594.9	624.2	98.4	100.0
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	622.2	604.5	597.7	601.0	98.3	100.0
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized meals	665.7	646.5	624.5	634.6	99.5	100.0
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	635.0	635.0	635.0	635.0	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							
2012	3	87	98.9	9.1	20.8	70.1	90.9
	4	97	99	18.9	37.8	43.3	81.1
	5	94	100	18.2	46.6	35.2	81.8
	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
2013	3	107	99.1	12.8	20.2	67	87.2
	4	98	100	18.4	41.4	40.2	81.6
	5	99	100	15.6	51.1	33.3	84.4
	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
Mathematics							
2012	3	87	98.9	19.5	32.5	48.1	80.5
	4	97	99	22.2	32.2	45.6	77.8
	5	94	100	26.1	28.4	45.5	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
2013	3	107	100	29.5	25.3	45.3	70.5
	4	98	100	18.4	40.2	41.4	81.6
	5	99	100	21.1	38.9	40	78.9
	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
Science							
2012	3	43	100	26.3	50	23.7	73.7
	4	97	99	23.3	63.3	13.3	76.7
	5	48	100	32.6	47.8	19.6	67.4
	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
2013	3	54	100	25.5	40.4	34	74.5
	4	98	100	19.5	67.8	12.6	80.5
	5	49	100	20	68.9	11.1	80
	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
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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							
2012	3	44	97.7	15.4	48.7	35.9	84.6
	4	97	99	16.7	47.8	35.6	83.3
	5	46	100	31	33.3	35.7	69
	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
2013	3	53	100	20.8	43.8	35.4	79.2
	4	98	100	14.9	55.2	29.9	85.1
	5	50	100	22.2	42.2	35.6	77.8
	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
Writing							
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	95	100	29.2	34.8	36	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
2013	3	108	99.1	29.2	25	45.8	70.8
	4	95	99	24.7	48.2	27.1	75.3
	5	97	99	33.3	37.8	28.9	66.7
	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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