



Fair-Oak Elementary School

1964 Oakway Road
Westminster, SC 29693

Grades	PK-3 Elementary School	
Enrollment	371 Students	
Principal	Carolyn H. Harris	864-886-4505
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Board Chair	Andy Inabinet	864-882-0106

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2013 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD



RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

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

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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 | 100%

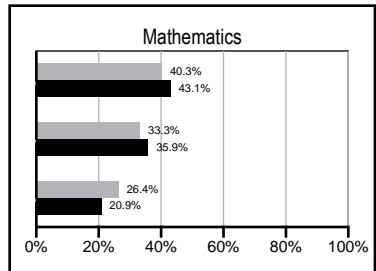
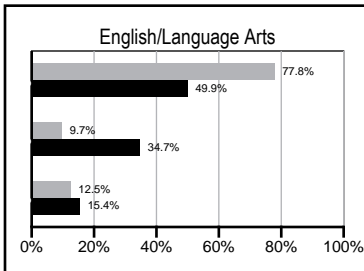
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
41	39	23	0	1

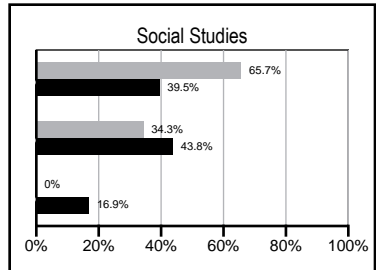
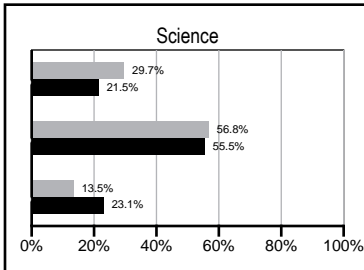
* Ratings are calculated with data available by 12/14/2013.

Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS)

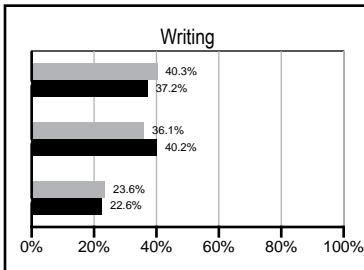
Exemplary
Met
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Legend: Our school Elementary schools with Students Like Ours

* 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.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=371)				
First graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention rate	1.6%	Down from 2.1%	1.0%	0.9%
Attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 96.1%	96.3%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	4.4%	N/A	9.5%	7.2%
With disabilities	16.9%	N/A	12.4%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	0.8%	N/A	1.8%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=29)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	51.7%	No Change	64.1%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	93.1%	Down from 96.6%	86.8%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.4%	Down from 91.7%	89.7%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	93.7%	Up from 93.2%	95.0%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,103	Up 4.2%	\$49,228	\$48,193
Professional development days/teacher	11.1 days	Down from 13.8 days	11.9 days	11.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	9.0	Up from 8.0	5.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.4 to 1	Down from 22.1 to 1	20.6 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.9%	Down from 88.3%	90.3%	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**	\$8,238	Down 0.8%	\$6,986	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.0%	Up from 65.5%	68.5%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.0%	Up from 62.4%	66.0%	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

The collaborative spirit among the Fair-Oak Elementary families, students, staff and community creates an atmosphere of excellence for all students. Transitioning from the SC Standards to the more rigorous Common Core State Standards played a key role in staff development. These higher standards prepare our students to compete world-wide at colleges and in their careers. Since reading at or above grade level is crucial to our students' preparedness for math, science and social studies, our strong reading program gives our students advantages in all academic areas. Annually, our students rise to the challenge and improve their skills. This is evident in our spring reading Measuring Academic Progress and Observation Survey results. The Text Level on Observation Survey results indicate our students' progress as 91% first graders read on and above grade level. Our second grade MAP reading mean results rank higher than the district mean score and slightly below the national mean. Third grade students rank the highest of all schools in the district on the reading, math and language MAP scores, above national and district rankings. Clearly, this evidence reveals our children are advanced in reading.

Combining our solid balanced reading and writing initiative with the high expectations of the Common Core State Standards; our students receive expert instruction in reading and in math. Teaching students to read advanced informational material, to write argumentative and opinion papers and to build fluency in math boost students' achievement.

To enhance students' emotional growth, the Positive Behavior Intervention team continues school-wide systems of positive rewards for following the R.A.C.E., R-(Respect) A-(Achieve) C- (Cooperate) E-(Eager to Learn) expectations. Students received daily mini lessons on the Chick Fil A Core Essentials and monthly incentives to purchase prizes at the school store and Victory lunches. Through the support of our community, our paved walking track extends physical activity opportunities for students who participate in the early morning walking club and in the Marathon Club.

This collaborative effort of our staff, the community and our families builds the foundation for our students' academic successes as they advance in school and in their careers.

Carolyn Harris, Principal

Stephanie Collins, SIC chair

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	19	68	31
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100%	94.1%	87.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%	97%	96.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	89.5%	97%	90.6%

* 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 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	99.9
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

Fair-Oak 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	0.0%	2.3%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	4.9%

	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	95.7%	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	690.4	644.8	635.0	671.8	98.8	98.8
Male	686.4	646.5	635.1	672.1	97.6	97.6
Female	694.3	643.1	634.9	671.3	100.0	100.0
White	692.2	648.3	637.0	670.4	100.0	100.0
African American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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	678.2	634.5	620.9	665.0	100.0	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	96	100	14	17.2	68.8	86
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	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
2013	3	81	98.8	12.5	9.7	77.8	87.5
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	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	N/A
Mathematics							
2012	3	96	100	26.9	33.3	39.8	73.1
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	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
2013	3	81	98.8	26.4	33.3	40.3	73.6
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	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	N/A
Science							
2012	3	49	100	29.2	41.7	29.2	70.8
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	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
2013	3	41	100	13.5	56.8	29.7	86.5
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	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

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Social Studies							
2012	3	48	100	10.9	41.3	47.8	89.1
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	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
2013	8	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	3	39	100	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	100
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	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/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2013	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	3	78	98.7	22.5	36.6	40.8	77.5
	4	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	6	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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