



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Bluffton Elementary and Early Childhood Center
 Beaufort County
 Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 570
 Principal: Christine Brown
 Superintendent: Dr. Jackie Rosswurm
 Board Chair: Bill Evans

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
2013	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2012	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	B	N/A
2011	Good	Good	Silver	Gold	Met	N/A

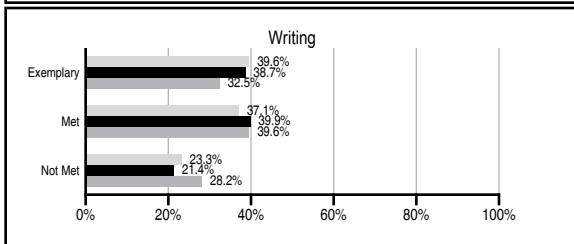
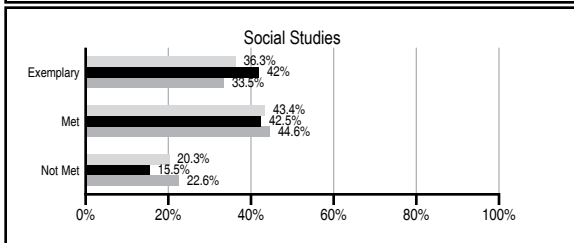
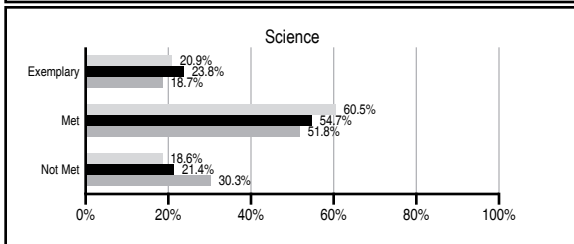
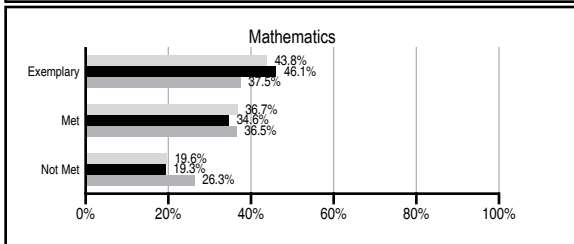
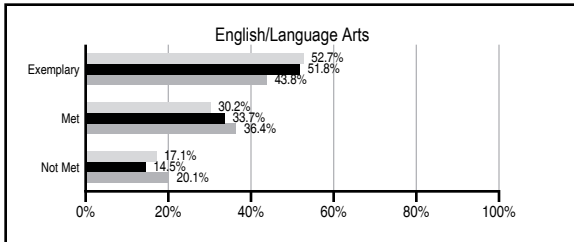
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
39	31	9	0	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. 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.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=570)				
Retention rate	0.4%	Down from 0.9%	0.8%	0.9%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Down from 97.2%	96.5%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	11.3%	N/A	10.1%	7.2%
With disabilities	11.3%	N/A	11.5%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	1.4%	N/A	1.5%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=45)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	48.9%	Down from 60.5%	65.1%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	82.2%	Up from 79.1%	86.2%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	79.7%	Up from 77.7%	89.8%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	92.9%	Down from 93.2%	95.2%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,353	Up 0.4%	\$49,298	\$48,193
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	13.7%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	18.1 days	Up from 16.8 days	11.6 days	11.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.2 to 1	Down from 23.0 to 1	20.7 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.6%	Down from 88.9%	90.5%	90.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 98.9%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,851	Down 6.9%	\$7,006	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.0%	Down from 68.4%	69.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	65.0%	Down from 65.9%	67.0%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	89.9	Up from 86.4	91.2	88.0

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

For the 2012/13 school year, Bluffton Elementary and Early Childhood Center focused on school safety and security as well as continued data analysis. We also reviewed ways to enhance our technology integration.

We started the year with an additional component of training for cyberbullying for staff as well as students. As the year progressed we reviewed our crisis plan and worked with the district to fine tune our areas of weakness. In the wake of the Newtown school shootings, we worked in conjunction with our local police departments, district officials, and community stakeholders to walk through a mock scenario of an intruder. After this scenario we analyzed our response and updated our plan as necessary. We will continue this analysis this fall with active shooter training with staff in August.

After the report rating of a B, we closely reviewed our MAP and PASS test scores to define the areas of concern. It was determined that science was the weakest area. The grade level teams created a long range plan to pinpoint the identified strands in their instruction. For the fall of 2013, we will be adding a science lab as a special as well. Since we are a technology school, we added a "green screen" and an additional special for Media Arts. For parent communication we expanded our Facebook page and added Remind101, an online text-based system. We are continuing to focus on this area with the addition of Bring your Own Device for upper grades, a partnership with CalState for animation, and iPad minis for ESOL. Christine Brown –Principal Mary Rozek – Assistant Principal

Kathy Cuppia – School Improvement Chair

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	37	100	61
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.3%	83%	88.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.3%	79.2%	85%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.3%	82.1%	83.6%

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

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