



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

River Oaks Middle School
 Dorchester 2
 Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 1,016
 Principal: Scott Matthews
 Superintendent: Joseph R. Pye
 Board Chair: C. Gail Hughes

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	A	N/A
2012	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	A	N/A
2011	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A

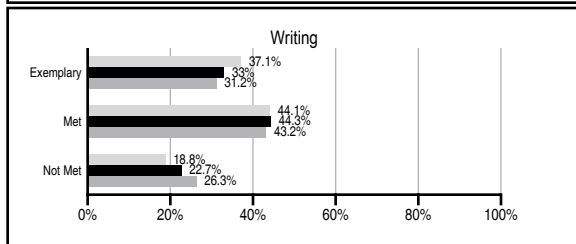
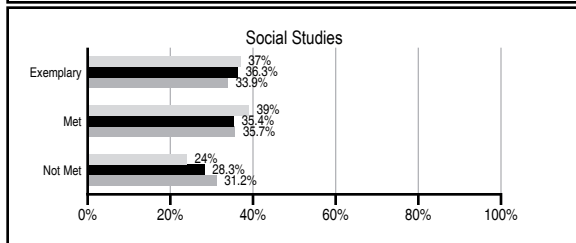
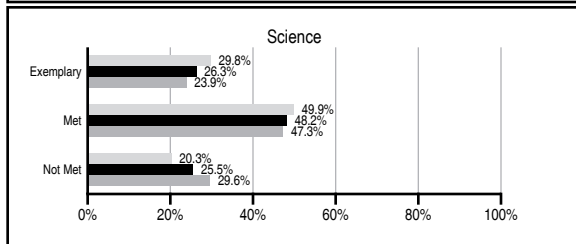
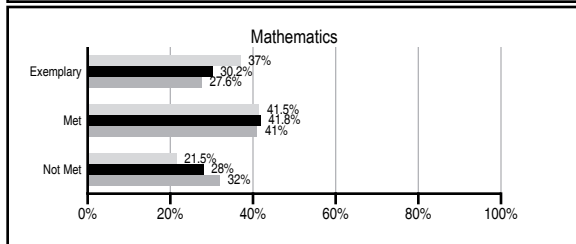
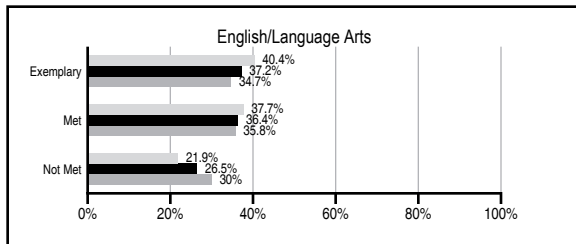
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
7	21	28	1	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	95.7
English 1	96.8	93.2
Physical Science	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	98.3	95.1

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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River Oaks Middle School [Dorchester 2]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=1,016)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	44.5%	Down from 46.8%	27.9%	24.6%
Retention rate	1.5%	Up from 0.7%	0.5%	0.6%
Attendance rate	97.1%	Down from 97.5%	95.8%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	15.8%	N/A	21.4%	18.5%
With disabilities	7.9%	N/A	13.4%	13.0%
Older than usual for grade	4.7%	N/A	4.9%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.2%	Down from 2.5%	0.9%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=59)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	50.8%	Up from 48.1%	65.0%	61.5%
Continuing contract teachers	69.5%	Up from 65.4%	83.0%	77.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	82.6%	Up from 80.5%	88.8%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.1%	Down from 95.3%	94.6%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$41,723	Up 3.3%	\$48,378	\$47,313
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 1.1%	0.4%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	9.5 days	Up from 9.4 days	9.3 days	10.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 2.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.1 to 1	Down from 27.8 to 1	22.7 to 1	22.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.0%	Down from 92.6%	89.7%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.5%	Down from 100.0%	98.8%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Excellent	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,401	Down 0.9%	\$7,074	\$7,239
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.0%	Down from 60.1%	63.5%	63.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.0%	Down from 59.0%	61.0%	61.0%
ESEA composite index score	92.7	Down from 94.3	86.9	83.5

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	64	279	112
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.7%	74.5%	89.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	98.4%	72.1%	82%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	92%	82.3%	83.9%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

River Oaks Middle School is a school where excellence, innovation and the building and sustaining of relationships is our focus. The school is located in a beautiful neighborhood in the southern corner of Dorchester District Two, and has experienced wonderful growth in the six years since it opened. We are dedicated to providing a safe environment in order to maximize the academic, creative, athletic, and emotional potential of each student. River Oaks Middle School offers a rigorous, relevant, and challenging curriculum that advances the learning of all students. Our students continue to progress in all academic areas as evidenced by analyzing our PASS data and district benchmark data. River Oaks Middle School is the proud recipient of the 2011-2012 Palmetto Silver Award for student achievement.

For the 2012-2013 school year, a great emphasis was placed on reading and writing. All English Language Arts classes were divided into separate core classes in order to better teach all reading and writing standards in greater depth. Our students enjoy many opportunities to enhance their educational experience through the arts and electives. Classes and after school offerings at River Oaks are as plentiful and diverse as our student population. We offer classes in piano, guitar, dance, physical education, band, strings, chorus, keyboarding, visual arts and Spanish. We were very excited to add steel drums as a course during the 2012-2013 school year. Also, students have the opportunity to participate in QUEST, Robotics, Geography Bee, Dance Team, Step Team and many other programs. We founded our very first National Junior Beta Club this year and were pleased to induct over eighty students in our first class.

The Bobcat Band and Strings programs both received a Superior rating at the State Concert Festival for the first time in school history. Our Robotics team had another successful year by qualifying for the state competition where they placed first for teamwork. One student qualified for the state competition in the Geography Bee and one of our 7th grade students won the Dorchester District Two Spelling Bee for the second consecutive year. River Oaks Middle School also offers our students opportunities to participate in football, volleyball, wrestling, basketball, baseball, and softball. All seven teams were successful this year. The softball team finished as runner-up in the district championship. The volleyball team won the regular season district championship and the boys' basketball won the district championship for the second year in a row.

River Oaks Middle School continues to be focused on the education of the whole child in order to prepare them for the challenges of the 21st century. We welcome you to River Oaks Middle School and encourage you to get to know us better!

Scott Matthews, Principal Tara Elzer, SIC Chair

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