

St. Stephen Elementary

1053 Russellville Road
St. Stephen, SC 29479

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	438 Students	
Principal	Dr. Elaine Norton	843-567-2813
Superintendent	Dr. Rodney Thompson	843-899-8600
Board Chair	Dr. Kent Murray	843-819-3320

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Average	Good
2013	Average	Good
2012	Average	Average
2011	Average	Average
2010	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.

<http://ed.sc.gov>
<http://www.eoc.sc.gov>

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

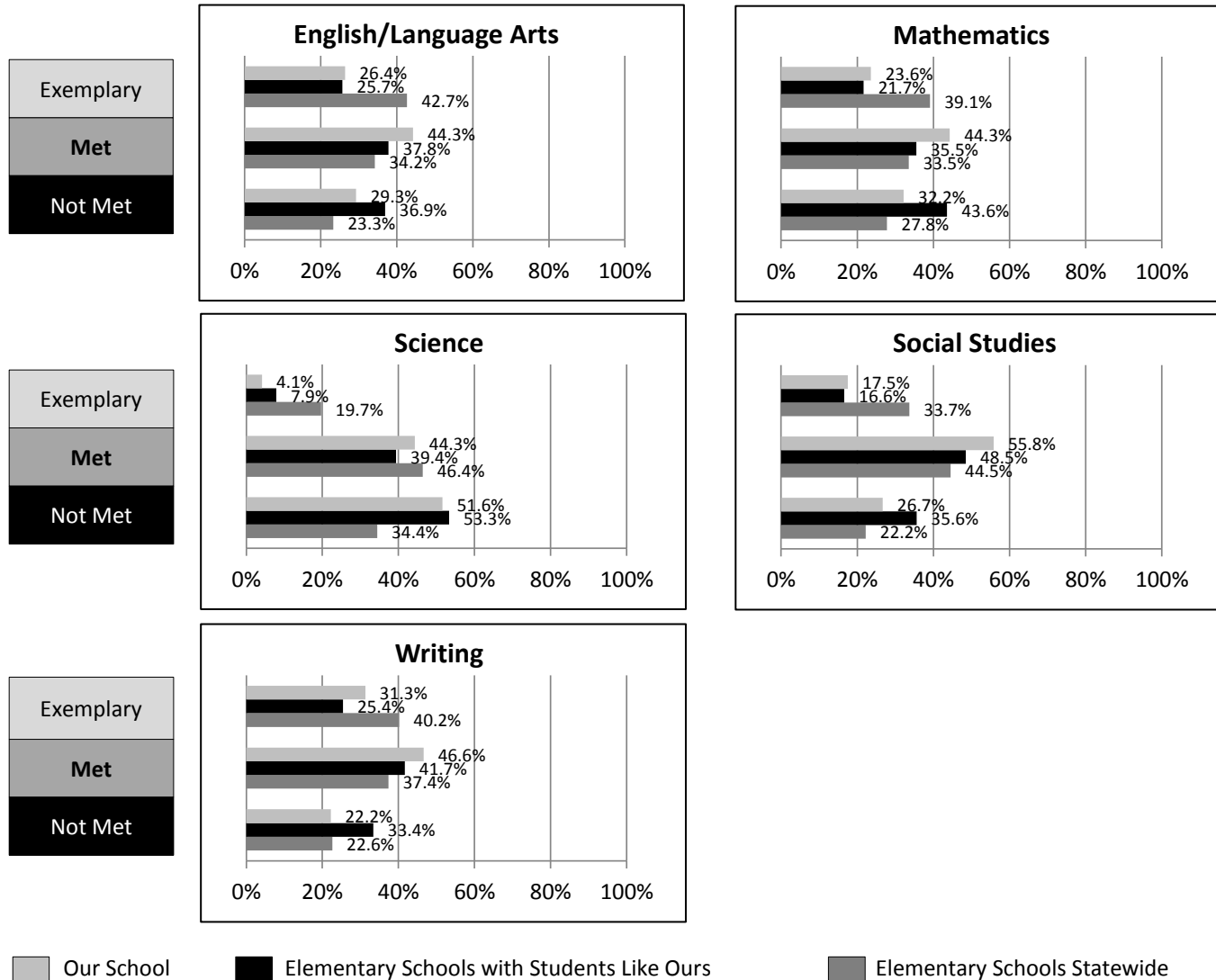
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located

97.7%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
1	5	88	45	16

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015.

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC 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 student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means 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 = 438)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	Up from 88.2%	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	1.8%	Down from 6.0%	1.6%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.6%	Down from 97.2%	96.0%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	3.4%	Up from 3.2%	2.5%	7.3%
With disabilities	14.8%	Down from 17.3%	14.0%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	6.2%	Down from 8.5%	2.9%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 31)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.3%	No change	59.4%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	74.2%	No change	73.3%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.6%	Up from 84.5%	83.2%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Up from 95.0%	95.2%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,089	Up 0.3%	\$45,638	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	1.9 days	Down from 11.3 days	9.9 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	10.0	Up from 9.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.2 to 1	Up from 15.0 to 1	18.4 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.1%	Down from 91.2%	90.2%	90.7%
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**	\$7,936	Up 4.4%	\$8,691	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.1%	Down from 69.0%	64.1%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	65.8%	Up from 65.0%	63.8%	66.0%

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

The mission of St. Stephen Elementary School says that "We will engage and empower our students through the use of the seven habits to create an environment for all to grow and succeed" We are proud to have received an "A" on our latest school report card based upon student achievement in 2011–2012. We are the first school in Berkeley County to implement "The Leader in Me" model based on Stephen Covey's "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People," in which all staff have been trained. We offered "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Families" training to parents and community members. We hosted our 2nd Leadership Day on April 18, 2013. Educators and business people from across the state and other states came to learn from us and from our children about our leadership model. Our vision clearly states, "Enter to Learn, Depart to Lead." We believe that all students can learn and be a leader. Beginning with our 3-year-old preschool students, all SSE students can speak the language of the habits as evidenced by using them in their day-to-day activities at school and at home. You find SSE students taking on roles and responsibilities that you typically see classroom teachers do, such as musicians, art leaders, photographers, cafeteria assistants, safety patrols, ambassadors, guidance assistants, behavior monitors, technology leaders, restroom monitors, etc. ☐

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We believe in positive interactions with students, staff, parents and community members and have worked hard to create a climate that supports that belief. Students are recognized on a regular basis for positive choices, attendance, improved grades, outstanding grades and display of quality character through the 7 Habits. Though we are proud of the successes we have experienced this year, we look forward to greater accomplishments in years to come.☐

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Our challenges include having 100% of our students scoring at or above benchmark in all subjects. We will address this by continuing to implement the Common Core State Standards, providing interventions to struggling students, continued implementation of an extended day program for first through fifth grades; differentiating instruction, using technology, and providing our staff with the training and materials they need to succeed.☐

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It is our desire at SSE to inspire greatness in each student, one child at a time!☐

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Dr. Elaine Norton, Principal☐

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Mr. John Rivers, SIC Chairman

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	14	55	30
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	98.2%	96.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	98.2%	93.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	96.3%	83.9%

* 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	74.7
Overall Grade Conversion	C

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 states' expectations.

Accountability Indicator (Title I Schools)

St. Stephen Elementary 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 school 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.
X	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		3.7	3.2%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers		4.1	7.3%
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	96.6%	94.0%*	Yes
			State
Professional qualifications of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State (Advanced Degrees)			61.9%
Percentage of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State with emergency or provisional credentials			0.0%

* Or greater than last year

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SC PASS Performance By Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean*	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested
Grades 3-5							
All Students	622.5	619.8	601.1	624.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	619.8	617.9	601.1	625.4	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	625.6	621.9	601.2	622.4	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	633.2	629.7	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
African American	621.2	617.2	596.1	623.4	100.0	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	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	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	592.6	587.9	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	622.3	619.2	600.3	623.6	100.0	100.0	100.0
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0

* Social Studies used as "Other Academic Indicator" for elementary and middle schools.

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Two Year Elementary and Middle School Grades Trend Data

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
2013	3	74	633.0	94.6	74	613.2	100.0
	4	59	624.2	89.8	59	630.2	100.0
	5	59	632.4	100.0	59	624.6	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	37	599.6	100.0	37	620.5	100.0
	4	59	616.4	100.0	59	631.0	98.3
	5	30	607.6	100.0	29	605.7	100.0
	6	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
	8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
2014	3	59	620.9	100.0	59	611.7	100.0
	4	71	613.9	100.0	71	617.8	100.0
	5	62	634.8	100.0	62	629.9	100.0
	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
	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	31	587.1	100.0	28	605.1	100.0
	4	71	601.4	100.0	71	628.8	100.0
	5	30	616.0	100.0	32	628.0	100.0
	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
	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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NOTE: Results include the SC-ALT test.

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (District)							4/27/2015	0801028
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Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	645.3	643.4	625.6	644.4	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
Male	640.9	644.0	627.0	646.0	99.7	99.9	100.0	N/A
Female	649.9	642.8	624.1	642.8	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
White	657.3	657.8	639.8	655.5	99.8	99.9	99.9	N/A
African American	627.4	621.3	603.0	627.7	99.9	100.0	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	661.8	669.4	647.1	654.2	100.0	100.0	99.3	N/A
Hispanic	631.9	627.1	614.1	633.3	99.4	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	649.8	649.4	637.7	648.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
With Disabilities	598.8	592.9	583.1	604.0	99.1	99.9	99.8	N/A
Limited English Proficient	629.3	629.0	611.1	633.7	99.3	100.0	99.7	N/A
Subsidized Meals	633.0	628.5	611.7	631.7	99.8	99.9	100.0	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	628.9	630.7	636.5	642.0	99.7	99.6	99.8	N/A
Male	621.2	628.7	636.9	645.6	99.6	99.5	99.6	N/A
Female	636.4	632.7	636.1	638.4	99.8	99.7	99.9	N/A
White	640.8	641.8	650.9	653.3	99.7	99.7	99.8	N/A
African American	610.0	612.1	614.1	622.9	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	652.0	668.4	663.0	679.4	100.0	99.5	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	626.0	625.4	632.3	639.2	100.0	98.6	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	626.6	630.0	635.3	642.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
With Disabilities	575.6	585.5	586.0	597.6	99.0	98.9	98.9	N/A
Limited English Proficient	621.1	628.5	630.9	640.9	100.0	98.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	615.3	618.3	622.5	628.5	99.8	99.6	99.8	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	229.1	221.4	82.2	76.0	99.5	99.5	100.0	80.3
Male	225.1	221.4	82.3	76.5	99.5	99.5	100.0	75.9
Female	233.6	221.4	82.2	75.4	99.5	99.5	100.0	85.4
White	233.4	227.2	86.1	78.4	99.3	99.3	100.0	81.7
African American	222.6	211.7	77.0	72.3	99.7	99.7	100.0	78.7
Asian/Pacific Islander	239.4	239.9	88.4	81.2	98.5	98.5	100.0	88.8
Hispanic	222.3	216.3	80.7	74.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	76.1
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	71.4
With Disabilities	209.4	199.6	71.3	67.0	98.6	98.0	100.0	41.7
Limited English Proficient	221.2	215.4	78.9	72.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	71.4
Subsidized Meals	223.8	215.5	79.4	72.9	99.4	99.4	100.0	75.8
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State)							4/27/2015	0801028
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Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies* / History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	643.8	644.3	626.4	645.0	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Male	638.9	643.9	627.0	646.5	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	649.0	644.6	625.8	643.4	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	659.5	662.7	644.4	659.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	622.3	617.3	601.2	624.1	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	669.9	686.6	655.9	673.4	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Hispanic	631.7	634.6	614.5	636.5	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	642.1	640.4	627.1	641.8	99.7	99.9	99.5	N/A
With Disabilities	599.3	596.5	587.6	609.2	98.9	99.5	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	631.2	638.6	615.0	638.1	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.7	625.2	609.4	628.7	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Migrant	608.2	615.1	590.4	623.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	627.8	632.2	634.7	637.4	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
Male	620.6	630.1	634.4	639.8	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Female	635.4	634.3	635.0	634.9	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
White	644.3	647.7	652.3	652.3	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
African American	604.3	608.5	608.9	615.2	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	658.5	680.2	673.0	677.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
Hispanic	617.3	625.4	625.0	630.5	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	629.4	631.2	637.2	638.3	99.9	99.8	99.7	N/A
With Disabilities	574.5	584.3	584.9	592.8	99.4	99.4	99.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	612.5	625.8	622.5	629.8	99.6	99.7	99.8	N/A
Subsidized Meals	610.0	614.6	616.3	619.9	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Migrant	586.4	606.8	600.8	607.7	98.2	98.2	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	229.3	222.6	81.8	74.9	98.7	98.7	100.0	80.0
Male	225.6	222.4	81.8	75.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	75.7
Female	233.2	222.9	81.9	74.0	99.2	99.1	100.0	84.5
White	235.9	230.8	86.1	78.1	99.0	98.9	100.0	82.8
African American	219.6	209.6	75.2	69.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	76.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	240.2	245.8	89.4	80.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	88.0
Hispanic	225.1	219.4	79.5	73.5	98.9	99.0	100.0	76.9
American Indian/Alaskan	228.8	220.3	81.9	77.2	98.9	99.3	100.0	74.3
With Disabilities	204.3	196.5	68.4	66.2	96.6	96.5	100.0	43.2
Limited English Proficient	218.0	214.7	76.6	71.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	73.4
Subsidized Meals	221.1	212.6	76.8	70.8	98.3	98.2	100.0	72.5
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	61.5
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.

Reading - Grade 4 (2013)



Mathematics - Grade 4 (2013)



Reading - Grade 8 (2013)



Mathematics - Grade 8 (2013)



Key

NSLP National school lunch program

SD Student with disabilities

ELL English language learner

NAEP National Association of Education Progress

	SD Participation Rate	ELL Participation Rate
Reading, Grade 4	89.0%	96.0%
Reading, Grade 8	85.0%	96.0%
Mathematics, Grade 4	93.0%	99.0%
Mathematics, Grade 8	90.0%	95.0%

Our School

Number of recently arrived ELL students exempted from ELA in state assessments

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