


South Elementary School

900 Patriot Street
Dillon, SC 29536

Grades PK-3 Elementary School
Enrollment 265 Students
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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

2014

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Average	Average
2013	Average	At-Risk
2012	Average	Below Average
2011	Average	Below 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

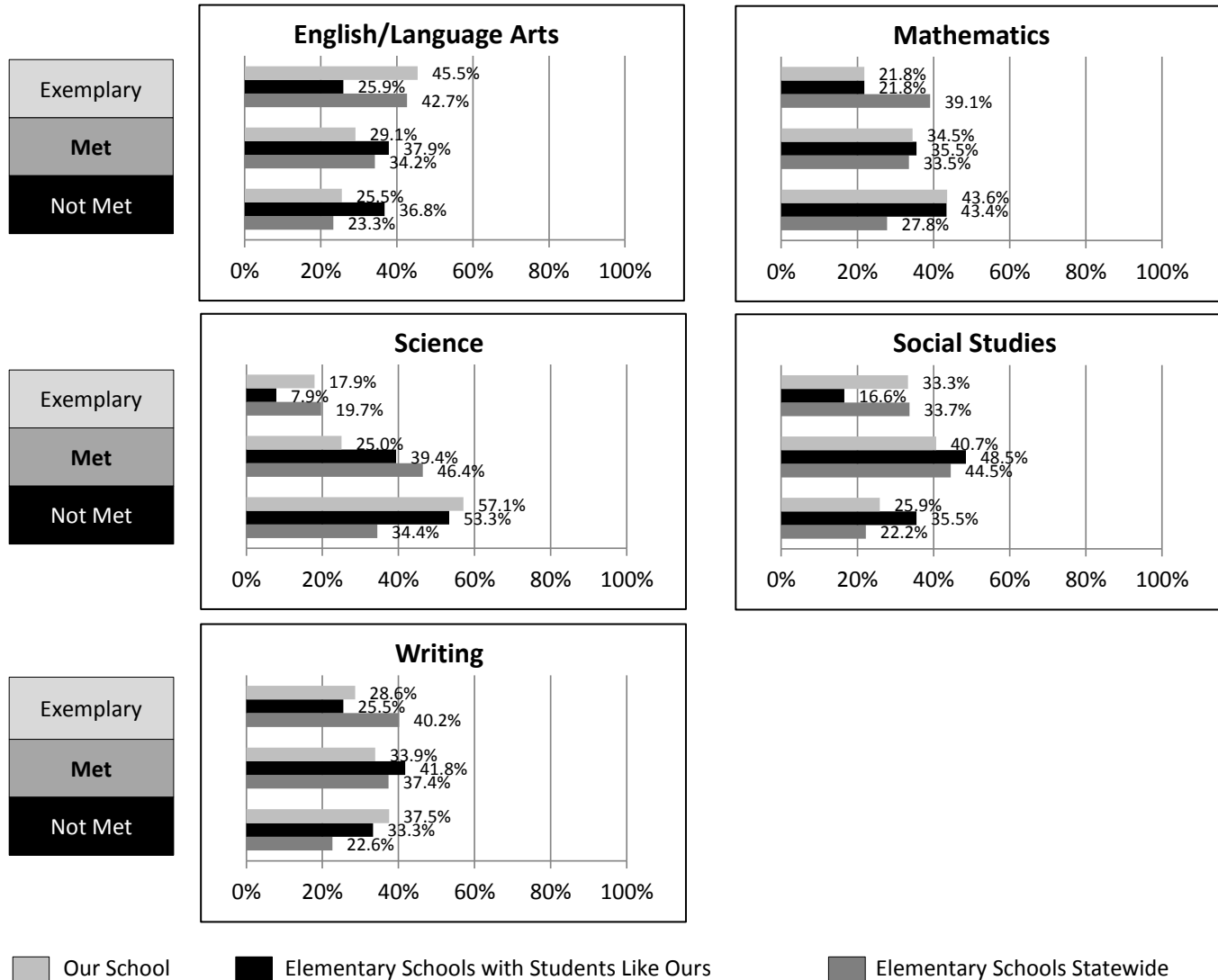
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
1	5	82	43	15

* 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 = 265)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	66.7%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	4.0%	Up from 2.9%	1.6%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.9%	Down from 97.0%	96.0%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	0.8%	Down from 1.4%	2.5%	7.3%
With disabilities	6.8%	Down from 11.0%	14.2%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	3.0%	Down from 6.7%	2.8%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 14)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.1%	Down from 62.5%	60.0%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	85.7%	Down from 93.8%	73.3%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	84.1%	Up from 79.1%	83.2%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Down from 97.7%	95.2%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,198	Down 0.3%	\$45,810	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	9.4 days	Up from 9.3 days	9.9 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.2 to 1	Up from 22.5 to 1	18.4 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.9%	Down from 94.5%	90.4%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Poor	Down from Good	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**	\$6,970	Up 12.6%	\$8,672	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.5%	Down from 72.0%	64.1%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.9%	Down from 67.0%	63.8%	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

South Elementary School serves students in grades pre-kindergarten through third grade. The school is a Title I Schoolwide Project site due to the fact that ninety-five to ninety-eight percent of the students eat free lunch. The student population averages 85% African-American, 10% White and 5% other.

The South Carolina Academic Standards are used as the basis for all instructional activities in the third grade. Common Core State Standards are used in grades Kindergarten through second grade. Teachers meet weekly to plan standards based lessons to help prepare the students for the next grade level and for the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards Test (PASS) that is administered to all third grade students in March and May.

During the 2012 – 2013 school year, a new kindergarten assessment was implemented. Common Core State Standards math benchmarks were used in first and second grade along with Common Core State Standards pacing guides. Parents were invited to attend kindergarten orientation programs, Parent Day conferences, P.T.O. Open House meetings, Breakfast with the Author programs, PASS Parent Night meetings, American Education Week activities, and academic conferences. Home/school relations were enhanced by weekly classroom newsletters, monthly reading and math home/school connection newsletters and teacher calls/notes. Students were recognized weekly for displaying positive character traits through the school’s Kids with Character Program.

English Language Arts, math science, and social studies served as the core curriculum in all classrooms during the past year. Supplies and materials were purchased to support goals identified in the school’s Title I Project. Technology was effectively used to motivate the students. Promethean Boards were used in all classrooms. Class sets of Laptop computers and iPads were available for teacher check-out. Efforts such as these helped lower the retention rate at South Elementary School.

Dr. Louise Goings
Principal

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	16	56	40
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.8%	100.0%	87.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	93.8%	98.2%	92.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.5%	100.0%	78.1%

* 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	71.8
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)

South Elementary 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 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	N/A	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.4	7.3%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	96.9%	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	630.0	606.1	593.5	634.3	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
African American	633.5	609.5	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
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	N/A	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	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.6	604.4	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A
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

2013	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	67	627.6	100.0	67	611.2	100.0
4	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
5	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
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	34	594.0	100.0	33	625.3	100.0	
4	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
5	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
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	

2014	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	59	630.0	100.0	59	606.1	100.0
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	
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	30	593.5	100.0	29	634.3	100.0	
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	
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 1704008

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	620.9	616.9	605.1	619.7	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
Male	615.9	616.3	603.0	620.3	99.6	99.6	99.4	N/A
Female	626.1	617.6	607.2	619.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
White	639.8	638.6	624.1	633.1	99.2	99.2	99.4	N/A
African American	614.4	610.3	597.5	615.2	100.0	100.0	99.8	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	620.0	604.3	604.9	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	604.8	599.1	602.4	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
With Disabilities	581.9	581.3	572.4	587.6	98.8	98.8	96.4	N/A
Limited English Proficient	621.5	623.0	612.1	627.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	617.3	613.4	601.1	617.1	99.9	99.9	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)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	610.2	620.6	605.4	606.2	99.2	100.0	99.8	N/A
Male	604.4	618.7	606.1	606.3	99.0	100.0	99.7	N/A
Female	616.4	622.5	604.6	606.0	99.4	100.0	100.0	N/A
White	631.9	635.0	622.4	623.4	99.6	100.0	99.4	N/A
African American	600.4	612.7	598.3	598.0	99.5	100.0	100.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	610.6	635.9	N/A	N/A	92.1	100.0	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	615.7	629.8	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	555.7	580.1	565.9	574.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	616.2	635.0	N/A	N/A	81.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	606.1	617.0	602.6	602.7	99.1	100.0	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	218.9	209.9	76.2	72.9	98.7	98.7	100.0	78.5
Male	216.4	210.0	77.0	73.3	99.4	99.4	100.0	72.8
Female	221.8	209.9	75.3	72.5	97.9	97.9	100.0	83.6
White	225.4	218.4	80.7	78.6	98.9	98.9	100.0	70.7
African American	215.9	205.7	73.6	70.3	98.9	98.9	100.0	82.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	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	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	191.6	188.1	62.7	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0	20.0
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	216.8	207.8	75.0	71.3	98.5	98.5	100.0	87.2
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 1704008

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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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	0

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