

Tamassee-Salem Elementary School

9950 North Highway 11

Tamassee, SC 29686

Grades	PK-5 Elementary School	
Enrollment	277 Students	
Principal	Lisa Simmons	864-886-4540
Superintendent	Dr. Mike Lucas	864-886-4500
Board Chair	Andy Inabinet	864-882-0106

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL
REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

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

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.

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

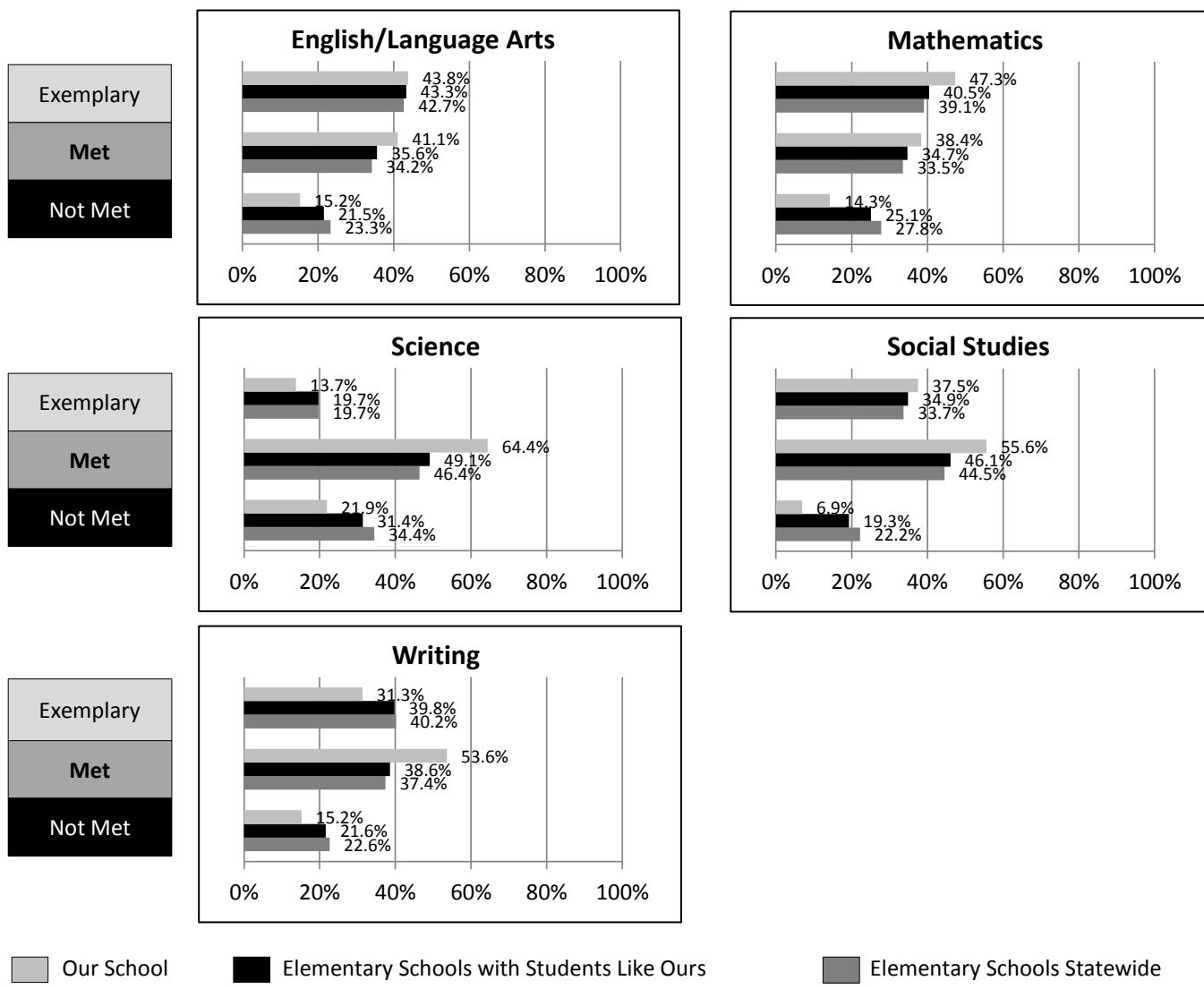
98.8%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
28	54	38	2	1

* 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

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n = 277)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	81.0%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	1.9%	Down from 5.3%	1.1%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.5%	Down from 96.7%	96.4%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	6.0%	Down from 6.8%	7.6%	7.3%
With disabilities	20.4%	Up from 20.1%	13.3%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	7.4%	Up from 6.8%	2.1%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 21)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.1%	Up from 50.0%	60.7%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	100.0%	Up from 95.5%	83.8%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.8%	Down from 91.8%	89.6%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.3%	Up from 93.8%	95.4%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,951	Up 0.4%	\$48,393	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	8.3 days	Down from 12.4 days	10.3 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.6 to 1	Up from 19.7 to 1	19.8 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.4%	No change	90.3%	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	Average	Down from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,566	Up 6.7%	\$7,448	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.6%	Down from 63.0%	67.5%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.1%	Up from 60.0%	66.5%	66.0%

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

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Tamassee-Salem Elementary School is a 4K – 5th grade school that serves 285 students. The mission of Tamassee-Salem Elementary is to provide a safe learning environment where all students reach their full potential. We are very excited about the accomplishments of our students and staff during the 2013 - 2014 school year! Our school met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as defined by the No Child Left Behind Legislation. We were also recognized as a Safe School by the Safe-Kids Upstate organization. The continued analysis of our state testing and Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) data allows us to reflect upon our instructional strategies so we can be assured we are meeting the needs of all of our students. Our MAP scores regularly meet or exceed the district and national averages. Professional development and increasing student use of technology are also key components in our success. ☐

☐ The academic success and well-being of our students are always the chief factors in decision making at our school. We pride ourselves on offering a welcoming and safe environment not only to our students, but also to our families. Our school is accredited by the South Carolina Council on Accreditation and School Improvement along with AdvancED. ☐

☐ Our students participated in before school activities, such as reading and math computer labs, chorus, Boom Taka, and Cougar Leaders. Our 4th and 5th graders are also given the opportunity to participate in an art club after school. Some of our chorus members participated in the annual district wide Mayfest Choral Performance. Many of our students were also invited to participate in the K - 5 Annual Artist Exhibit at the Blue Ridge Arts Association. ☐

☐ Chick-Fil-A of Seneca continues to be our business partner for character education and monthly spirit nights. We also continue our business partnership with Subway. Funds raised through our Subway spirit nights went toward our Math and Science Night, which is a School Improvement Council sponsored event. Our students, staff, and families continue to have the opportunities to participate in service projects. Our Relay for Life team raised money for the American Cancer Society and the students participated in Jump Rope for Heart to raise money for the American Heart Association. ☐

☐ As you can see, Tamassee-Salem Elementary School has numerous accomplishments to be proud of. These accomplishments are only possible because of the dedication of our staff, students, and families. We appreciate the support of our community who volunteer many hours to our students. It is truly a team effort! ☐

☐

Lisa Simmons, Principal

Cristy Duncan, SIC Chair

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	24	49	23
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	98.0%	90.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	100.0%	95.4%

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

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

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	98.1
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 (Title I Schools)

Tamassee-Salem 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.
X	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	3.2%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	7.3%
	Our School	State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%
Student attendance rate	96.5%	94.0%*
	Met State Objective	State
Professional qualifications of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State (Advanced Degrees)	Yes	61.9%
Percentage of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State with emergency or provisional credentials	Yes	0.0%

* Or greater than last year

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

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	646.6	651.0	627.5	650.2	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	640.3	645.5	629.5	653.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	653.4	656.9	625.1	647.2	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	646.5	649.1	627.2	651.1	100.0	100.0	100.0
African American	N/A	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	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	638.6	645.5	619.7	642.0	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.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

Two Year Elementary and Middle School Grades Trend Data

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	39	660.1	100.0	39	625.3	100.0
2013	4	43	646.2	100.0	43	654.0	100.0
	5	42	662.9	100.0	42	643.5	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	20	630.3	100.0	19	655.6	100.0
	4	43	638.8	100.0	43	657.4	100.0
	5	22	642.4	100.0	20	621.6	100.0

	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	33	641.0	100.0	33	640.9	100.0
2014	4	37	643.7	100.0	37	651.9	100.0
	5	51	652.5	100.0	51	657.3	98.1
	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	17	599.8	100.0	16	632.1	100.0
	4	37	632.8	100.0	37	657.2	100.0
	5	26	638.7	100.0	25	652.6	96.2

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

NOTE: Results include the SC-ALT test.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (District)							4/27/2015	3701020
Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	647.4	647.8	624.2	640.4	99.7	99.7	99.4	N/A
Male	643.1	647.8	626.5	642.6	100.0	99.9	99.9	N/A
Female	651.6	647.9	622.0	638.3	99.5	99.4	99.0	N/A
White	653.1	653.0	630.9	644.5	99.7	99.6	99.4	N/A
African American	623.6	623.3	597.6	621.4	100.0	100.0	99.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	659.9	660.1	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	627.3	631.1	602.7	625.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	600.9	599.0	589.7	609.0	99.8	99.6	99.3	N/A
Limited English Proficient	626.1	631.0	603.2	624.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	632.7	631.9	611.2	627.1	99.7	99.7	99.5	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	628.7	638.9	631.6	626.7	99.8	99.8	99.6	N/A
Male	622.5	639.0	633.0	631.1	99.8	99.7	99.4	N/A
Female	635.2	638.7	630.1	622.0	99.9	99.9	99.7	N/A
White	634.9	643.6	638.0	630.4	99.8	99.7	99.5	N/A
African American	599.4	609.7	599.3	607.2	100.0	100.0	99.5	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	605.0	628.1	614.5	610.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	575.1	585.6	581.1	585.5	99.5	99.3	98.9	N/A
Limited English Proficient	598.6	622.9	606.2	608.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	612.0	621.9	615.4	610.5	99.8	99.8	99.6	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	225.3	81.2	74.4	98.9	99.0	100.0	82.1
Male	225.2	225.2	80.5	74.8	99.2	99.2	100.0	79.1
Female	233.6	225.5	81.9	74.0	98.5	98.8	100.0	85.2
White	230.6	227.1	82.3	75.3	98.8	98.9	100.0	81.4
African American	224.3	214.7	74.6	69.7	99.0	99.0	100.0	83.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	221.1	224.0	78.4	72.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	89.3
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	204.2	198.5	70.3	66.5	98.1	98.1	100.0	48.7
Limited English Proficient	213.8	216.1	75.7	70.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	85.7
Subsidized Meals	223.5	218.2	77.0	70.6	98.1	98.4	100.0	70.9
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

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

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample

Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State)							4/27/2015	3701020
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

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

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

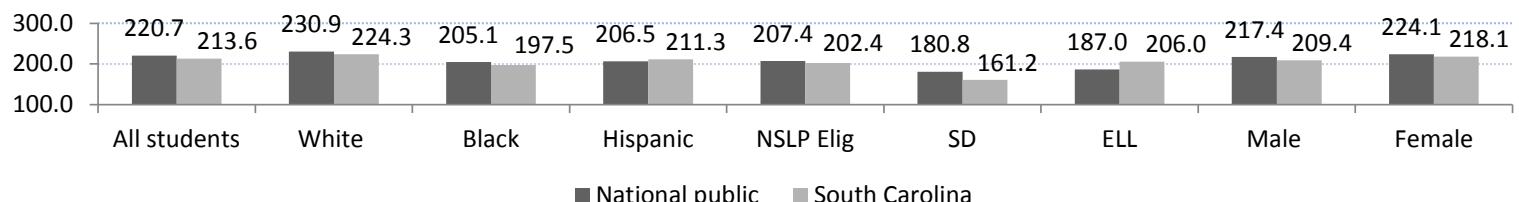
N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

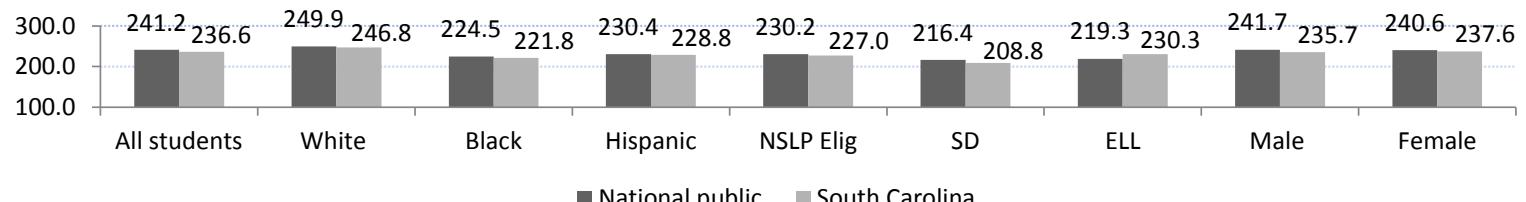
I/S-Insufficient Sample

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

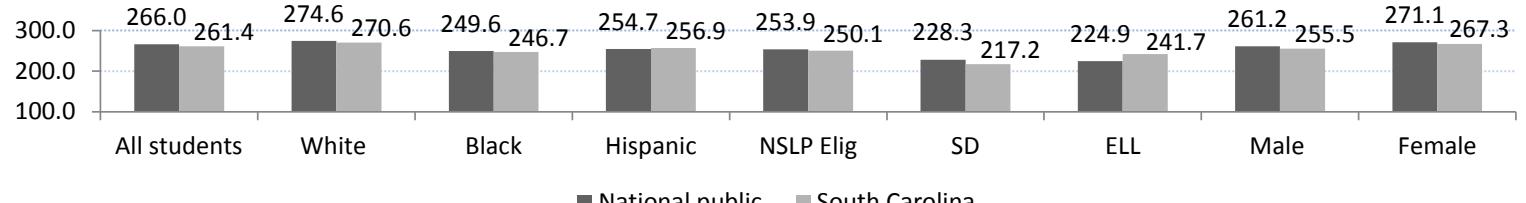
Reading - Grade 4 (2013)



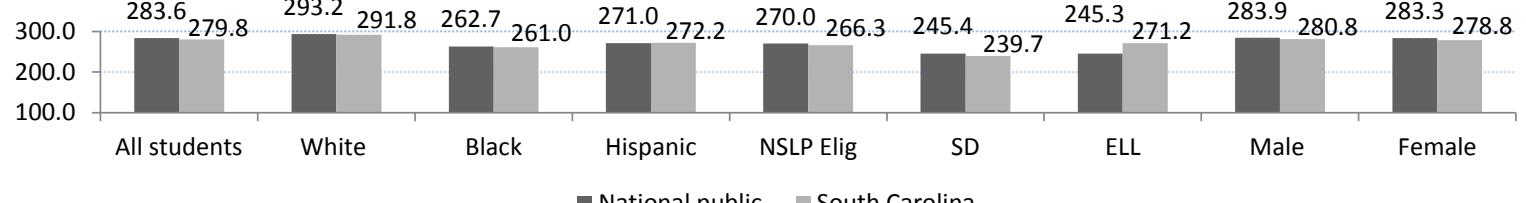
Mathematics - Grade 4 (2013)



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

1

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable

N/AV-Not Available

N/C-Not Collected

N/R-Not Reported

I/S-Insufficient Sample