

## Whittaker Elementary School

790 Whittaker Parkway  
Orangeburg, SC 29115

<b>Grades</b>	PK-5 Elementary School	
<b>Enrollment</b>	688 Students	
<b>Principal</b>	Dr. Casandra H. Jenkins	803-534-6559
<b>Superintendent</b>	Cynthia Wilson	803-534-5454
<b>Board Chair</b>	Mary Ulmer	803-533-7927

# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

## RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
<b>2014</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Below Average</b>
2013	Good	Average
2012	Good	Good
2011	Good	Good
2010	Average	Good

## 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**

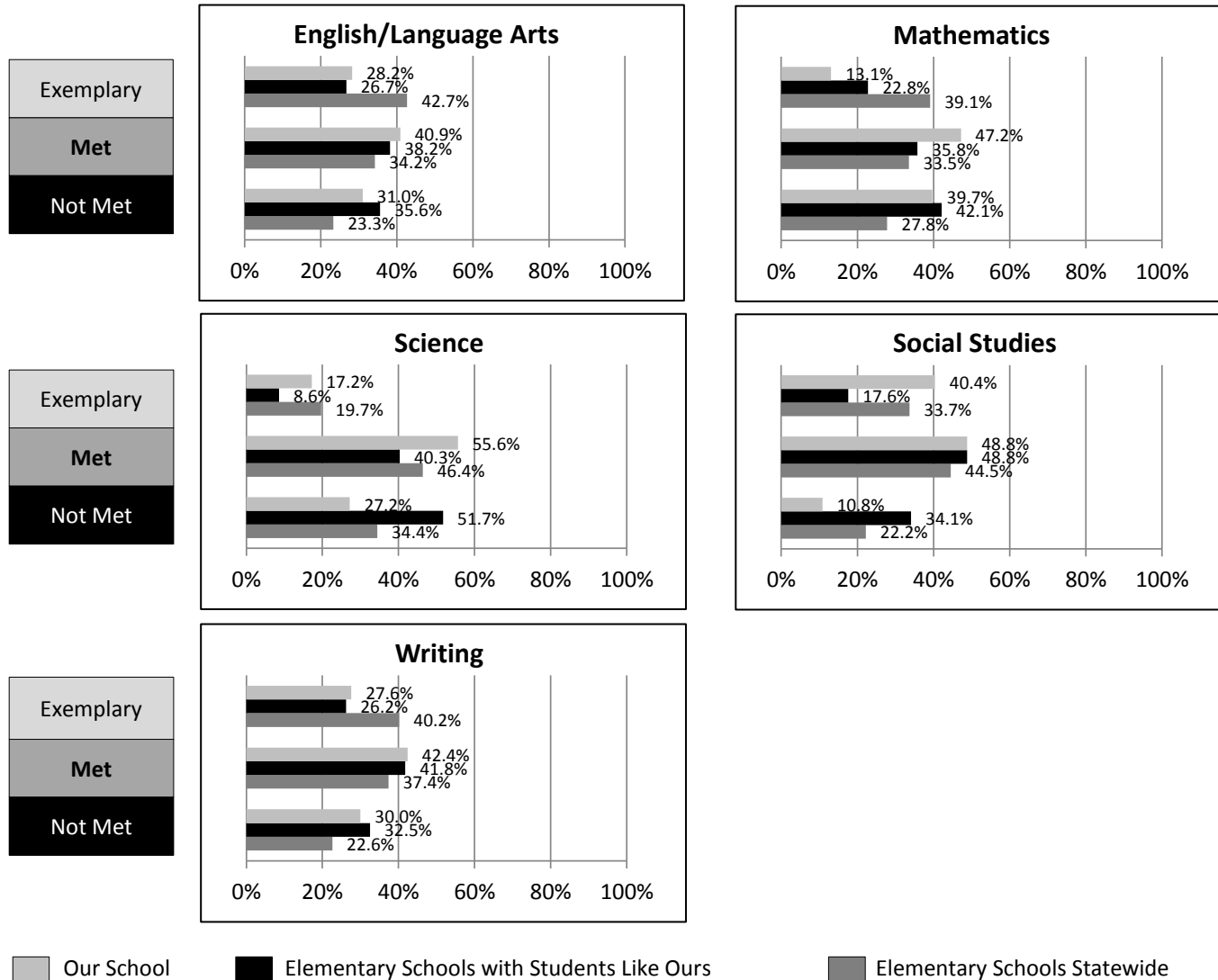
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 98.9%

**ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
3	8	109	47	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
<b>Students (n = 688)</b>				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	95.1%	Down from 98.3%	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	2.8%	Up from 0.4%	1.6%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	96.0%	Down from 96.4%	96.0%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	0.0%	No change	2.9%	7.3%
With disabilities	5.2%	Down from 8.0%	14.0%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	3.0%	No change	2.9%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n = 38)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	81.6%	Down from 82.1%	59.5%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	89.5%	Up from 79.5%	74.2%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.0%	Up from 88.8%	83.7%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.3%	Down from 95.1%	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,668	Up 2.0%	\$45,866	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	14.8 days	Up from 11.5 days	10.4 days	10.9 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	12.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.5 to 1	Up from 22.8 to 1	18.5 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.4%	Down from 89.4%	90.4%	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**	\$6,623	Up 2.0%	\$8,691	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.9%	Down from 68.0%	65.0%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	64.3%	Up from 64.0%	64.4%	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**

Whittaker Elementary School is centrally located in the Whittaker Heights Community of Orangeburg, SC. Whittaker is a Title I School with a poverty index of 95.6%. Our school operates in a tradition of excellence that stems from dedicated, hard working faculty and staff members that join hearts and hands with the community to obtain academic success for all. Each year, Whittaker strives to improve upon the tradition of achievement that has been established by giving our students the best academic foundation that they can possibly receive. ☒

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The Whittaker Family works together to provide a challenging and stimulating curriculum, in a one-to-one digital environment on a daily basis. We believe that an academically focused and a technologically blended environment is the key to preparing our students for a successful future. We make academic achievement our primary focus by using data to monitor, assess, and adjust instruction based on the needs of our students.☒

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We are the proud recipients of the Federal Government's Race to the Top Grant that will provide our students and staff with digital devices and allow all students and teachers to closely monitor the academic progress of every student that attends Whittaker Elementary School. We look forward to our teachers, administrators, and students being engaged in professional development activities that will sharpen our instructional skills and abilities and increase the opportunities of success for all students. Teachers also use cutting edge digital resources that enhance instruction to include the Lumens, Electronic Boards, Classroom Performance Systems, Laptops, and One-to-One Digital Devices. ☒

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Our parents are an integral part of our positive environment and always work with the school to make the bond of school-to-home relationships positive and productive. We are excited about training our parents to track their child's academic progress through the digital devices that each child will receive. This will provide parents with daily access to their child's assignments, progress reports, and empower parents with on-line resources that help them join the school in tracking and monitoring their child's academic standing.

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Dr. Casandra H. Jenkins, Principal

Mr. Hercules Mack, SIC Chairperson

**Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	37	84	47
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.9%	88.1%	95.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.5%	82.9%	95.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	83.7%	84.6%	84.1%

\* 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.

<b>Overall Weighted Points Total</b>	<b>75.8</b>
<b>Overall Grade Conversion</b>	<b>C</b>

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)**

Whittaker 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**

	<b>Our District</b>	<b>State</b>	
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	4	7.3%	
	<b>Our School</b>	<b>State Objective</b>	<b>Met State Objective</b>
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	0.0%	Yes
Student attendance rate	96.0%	94.0%*	Yes
			<b>State</b>
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
<b>Grades 3-5</b>							
All Students	625.0	608.8	625.6	652.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	617.5	603.9	622.1	642.4	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	632.0	613.3	628.8	660.2	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
African American	624.9	608.7	624.7	652.1	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	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	622.3	606.5	623.1	650.4	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

2013	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	85	640.5	100.0	85	644.9	98.8
4	89	639.4	100.0	89	619.5	100.0	
5	83	642.7	100.0	83	620.9	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	43	616.1	100.0	42	656.7	100.0	
4	89	651.1	100.0	89	670.6	100.0	
5	42	626.3	100.0	41	649.8	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	

2014	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	89	629.0	100.0	89	610.8	100.0
4	90	622.1	100.0	90	610.7	100.0	
5	92	623.9	100.0	92	605.0	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	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	45	605.7	100.0	44	645.8	100.0	
4	90	631.3	100.0	90	662.2	100.0	
5	47	634.6	100.0	45	638.0	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 3805040

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
<b>Grades 3 - 5</b>								
All Students	622.1	617.1	611.1	632.5	99.7	100.0	99.6	N/A
Male	614.6	612.1	607.6	627.8	99.6	100.0	99.8	N/A
Female	630.4	622.6	614.9	637.6	99.9	100.0	99.4	N/A
White	641.5	633.4	631.3	642.5	98.5	100.0	98.9	N/A
African American	620.2	614.0	608.2	631.0	99.8	100.0	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	617.6	628.9	N/A	N/A	100.0	100.0	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	585.4	575.7	570.2	597.0	98.3	100.0	99.3	N/A
Limited English Proficient	624.6	658.0	633.8	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	619.3	613.9	608.6	630.1	99.7	100.0	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)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
<b>Grades 6 - 8</b>								
All Students	608.9	608.3	616.5	629.3	99.6	99.6	99.7	N/A
Male	602.2	605.8	615.1	629.2	99.6	99.4	99.6	N/A
Female	615.4	610.7	617.8	629.4	99.6	99.7	99.8	N/A
White	626.6	616.9	633.8	640.7	99.2	100.0	100.0	N/A
African American	606.3	605.9	613.5	626.6	99.8	99.8	99.8	N/A
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	574.8	584.8	585.9	594.4	99.4	99.4	99.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	604.4	604.4	612.3	623.2	99.7	99.8	99.9	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
<b>Grades 9 - 12</b>								
All Students	221.6	212.2	73.0	70.2	98.1	98.4	100.0	72.0
Male	218.5	211.6	73.0	70.4	97.4	97.8	100.0	63.2
Female	225.1	212.8	73.0	70.0	99.0	99.0	100.0	79.7
White	214.9	204.8	N/A	N/A	97.2	97.2	N/A	75.8
African American	222.1	212.2	72.9	70.0	98.4	98.7	100.0	72.5
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	200.9	193.6	63.7	N/A	96.2	98.1	100.0	26.8
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	219.3	209.5	71.7	69.2	97.7	98.0	100.0	71.3
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.

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**Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State)** 4/27/2015 3805040

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies* / History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
<b>Grades 3 - 5</b>								
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
<b>Grades 6 - 8</b>								
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
<b>Grades 9 - 12</b>								
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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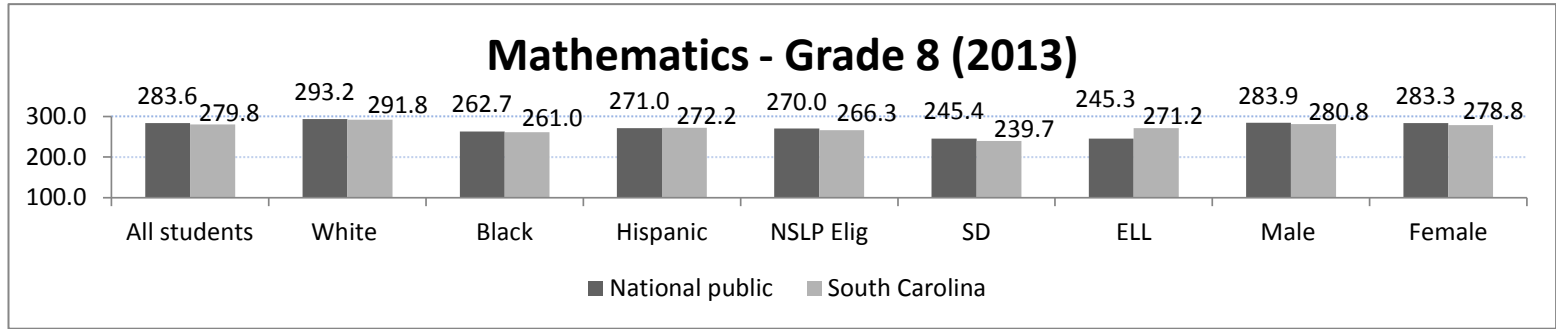
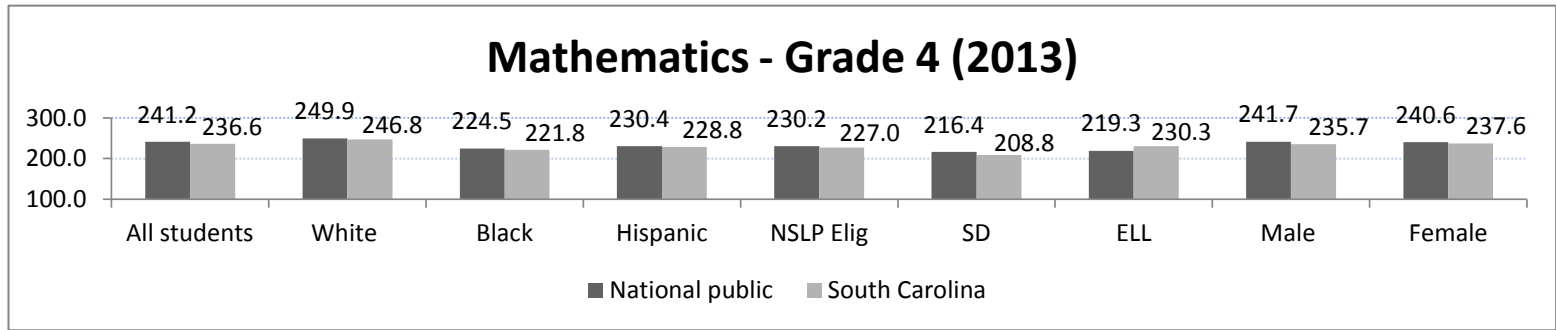
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\*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.



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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