



North District Middle School

507 Tillman Avenue
Varnville, SC 29944

Grades 7-8 Middle School
Enrollment 373 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	Average
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.

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

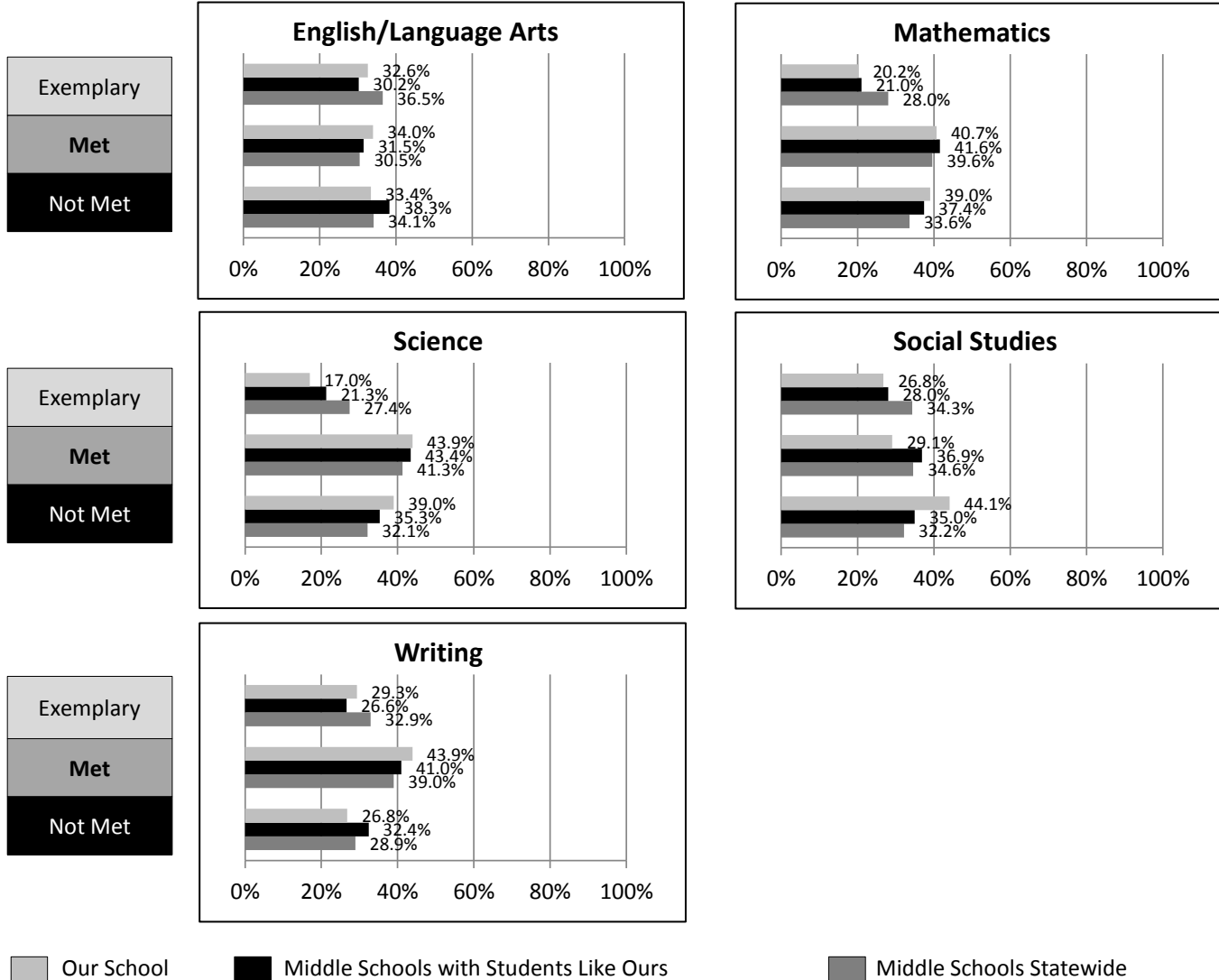
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 97.5%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
1	2	49	7	0

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

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC PASS)



* Middle Schools with Students Like Ours are middle 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	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n = 373)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	51.2%	Up from 46.7%	20.0%	26.0%
Retention Rate	0.8%	Down from 1.4%	1.0%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	94.9%	Up from 94.2%	96.1%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	13.4%	Up from 12.3%	14.6%	19.4%
With disabilities	7.9%	Down from 8.5%	14.2%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	5.5%	Down from 6.3%	6.0%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 26)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.5%	Down from 62.5%	60.0%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	84.6%	Down from 91.7%	75.0%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.7%	Up from 89.6%	83.6%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Up from 95.2%	95.1%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,000	Down 2.2%	\$46,658	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	8.4 days	Down from 11.2 days	11.7 days	10.6 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.7 to 1	Up from 8.8 to 1	20.5 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.4%	Up from 88.0%	90.0%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	79.7%	Down from 88.6%	99.0%	99.0%
Character development program	Below Average	Down from Average	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,317	Up 16.1%	\$7,487	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	63.0%	No change	61.6%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	62.1%	Up from 62.0%	60.4%	61.3%

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

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

End of Course Tests

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0%	96.8%
English 1	96.6%	94.6%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	97.7%	96.7%

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

One quote reads, "Change is inevitable, progress is optional". The 2013-2014 school year at North District Middle School(NDMS) proved to be a very challenging year marked by numerous changes for our faculty, students and our parents. We had a 43 year guidance veteran retire, other major changes in staff assignments, implemented a delayed school start schedule for our students, adopted more rigorous standards for the Honor Roll System, embraced and implemented a new math series, began our first year as a TAP school and moved into our newly erected school.

Despite all of the changes, we have forged ahead and kept progress in focus. The faculty and staff worked diligently and ardently this past year providing the students with quality lessons, guidance, and supported them both academically and in extra-curricular pursuits our students were involved in. Some of our successes were: 1) over thirty-five percent of our students were on the honor roll at least one time this year even with our new rigorous standards, 2) members of our Junior Beta Club won first and second place and placed in different categories at the BETA convention in Myrtle Beach, 3) a seventh grade student was named as a Duke Tip Scholar, 4) one hundred percent of our students who took the Algebra I End of Course Test passed and thirteen percent of them made a perfect score of "100", 5) ninety-seven percent of those taking the English I End of Course Test passed, 6) our eighth graders earned more than 200 high school credits this year, 7) our Volleyball Team was undefeated this year, and 8) our softball, basketball and football teams had outstanding seasons as well.

North District Middle School has a very caring faculty and student body. This year we contributed over \$4000 to RELAY FOR LIFE, gave a substantial contribution to Pennies for Patients, and had a tremendously successful 'Food Drive' in December.

While we celebrate many successes, we are still battling challenges. One major problem has been the lack of availability of technology in many homes. We have tried to combat this by providing the students with access to our Computer Labs early in the morning before school begins or, in the afternoon once school is dismissed. Unfortunately, transportation becomes an issue for many of the students. Because we are located in a small and basically rural area, it is difficult to attract and keep highly qualified staff.

North District Middle School will continue striving to meet the needs of all our students. Instead of allowing our challenges to dismantle us, we have decided to continuously adjust, regroup, rethink and fortify ourselves by using Best Practices and meeting the challenges head on.

Sharice McNair, SIC Chair

Paricia Brantley, Principal

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	26	159	83
Percent satisfied with learning environment	88.5%	71.1%	83.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	92.3%	78.5%	76.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	65.4%	83.0%	50.0%

* Only students at the highest middle 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	73.1
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)

North District Middle 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.
	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	N/A	3.2%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0	7.3%
	Our School	State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	12.7%	0.0%
Student attendance rate	94.9%	94.0%*
		Met State Objective
		No
		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 6-8							
All Students	620.1	618.8	616.6	618.7	99.5	99.5	99.6
Male	611.7	618.8	618.7	621.5	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	627.7	618.8	614.6	616.2	99.0	99.0	99.3
White	629.1	628.6	625.5	632.4	98.8	98.8	99.2
African American	611.3	608.7	607.5	606.3	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	565.8	575.2	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	613.6	610.9	610.0	612.7	99.2	99.2	99.5
Migrant	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

* 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	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV
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	196	627.9	100.0	196	623.7	100.0	
8	168	613.5	100.0	168	612.6	100.0	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
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	196	618.0	100.0	196	624.0	100.0	
8	84	598.7	100.0	84	612.7	100.0	

2014	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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	175	622.3	99.4	175	613.9	99.4	
8	190	618.1	99.5	190	623.3	99.5	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
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	175	617.6	99.4	174	620.7	99.4	
8	97	614.8	100.0	92	615.0	97.9	

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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 2501008

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	633.5	633.7	621.6	625.8	100.0	100.0	98.3	N/A
Male	629.6	632.5	621.5	628.6	100.0	100.0	97.9	N/A
Female	637.9	635.1	621.8	622.9	100.0	100.0	98.7	N/A
White	648.9	647.7	642.5	633.3	100.0	100.0	97.9	N/A
African American	621.5	621.8	605.9	619.4	100.0	100.0	98.5	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	592.4	595.3	N/A	598.3	100.0	100.0	87.1	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	626.8	626.0	612.7	619.7	100.0	100.0	98.5	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	622.9	621.2	615.9	618.4	99.6	99.6	99.7	N/A
Male	617.3	622.2	617.6	620.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Female	628.1	620.2	614.3	616.8	99.3	99.3	99.5	N/A
White	630.9	628.3	623.7	628.0	99.3	99.3	99.4	N/A
African American	613.9	612.3	606.5	609.2	100.0	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	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	570.5	574.5	573.9	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	617.4	614.7	608.6	614.0	99.5	99.5	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	217.7	207.7	72.6	70.5	97.4	96.8	100.0	80.2
Male	212.5	205.9	70.3	70.5	95.1	95.1	100.0	76.6
Female	223.2	209.6	74.9	70.5	100.0	98.9	100.0	84.1
White	224.7	216.9	77.1	73.8	97.5	96.2	100.0	84.8
African American	212.4	200.7	69.1	67.5	97.2	97.2	100.0	75.8
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	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	37.5
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	213.6	202.9	70.8	68.4	96.8	96.0	100.0	76.6
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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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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