

## Dent Middle School

2721 Decker Boulevard  
Columbia, SC 29206

**Grades** 6-8 Middle School

**Enrollment** 1,273 Students

**Principal** David Basile

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**Superintendent**

**Board Chair**

# 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>Average</b>
2013	Average	Average
2012	Good	Average
2011	Average	Average
2010	Good	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**

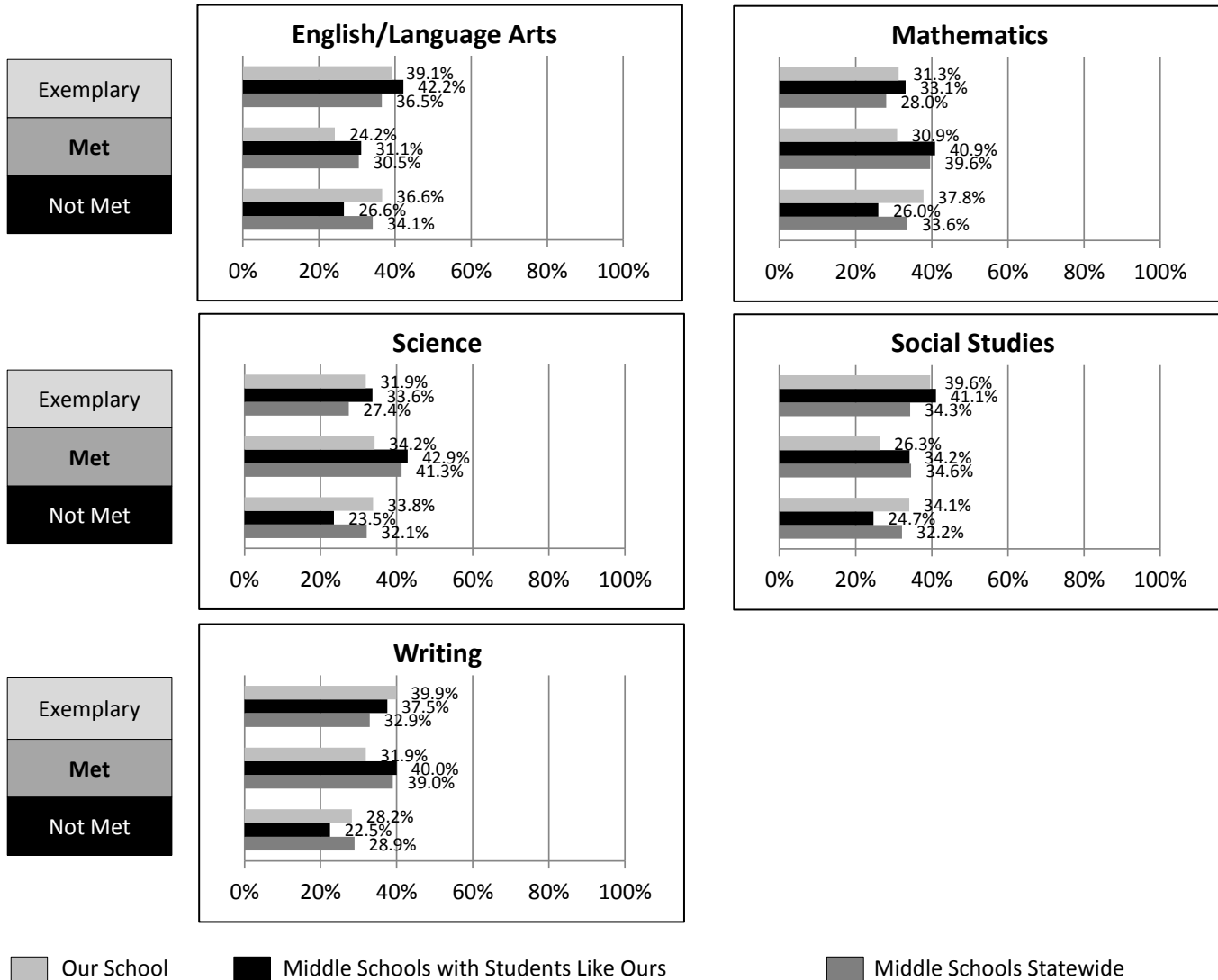
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 90.9%

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

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
11	21	13	0	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
<b>Students (n = 1,273)</b>				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	45.2%	Down from 49.8%	36.8%	26.0%
Retention Rate	0.6%	Up from 0.1%	0.7%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	95.5%	Down from 96.4%	96.3%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	10.8%	Down from 14.6%	23.2%	19.4%
With disabilities	9.6%	Down from 10.0%	11.8%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	2.4%	No change	4.1%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.5%	Down from 2.7%	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n = 88)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	65.9%	Down from 66.3%	60.0%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	72.7%	Down from 76.4%	80.5%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.1%	Down from 86.6%	87.2%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 95.2%	95.5%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,994	Down 3.8%	\$47,993	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	9.8 days	Up from 9.4 days	11.3 days	10.6 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 13.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.1 to 1	Down from 22.0 to 1	23.1 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.0%	Down from 90.6%	90.6%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 96.4%	99.6%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	No change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,943	Down 6.2%	\$7,144	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.6%	Down from 68.0%	62.9%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.8%	Down from 67.0%	61.9%	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%	98.3%
English 1	N/A	98.3%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0%	98.1%

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## Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

The administration, staff, and school improvement Council at Dent Middle School continue to dedicate ourselves to the success of all students. The 2013 - 2014 school year has been very exciting and we are very pleased with the improvements we have made. We are dedicated to the continued growth of our many exciting and innovative programs. Dent led the district with the number of students who were recognized as Junior Scholars. Our MATHCOUNTS!, Mock Trial, and Quiz Wiz teams were all crowned champions. Our band and orchestra received superior ratings at multiple competitions. In addition, our Boys Basketball Team was again named District Champion. We have expanded the District's 1 to 1 (1 TWO 1) computing format to all grade levels so that every student has a Chromebook for the instructional day. We have added support programs in all core subjects for students by adding both Saturday school and afterschool tutoring. We have enhanced our professional development to immerse our teachers in research proven best practices that utilize technology to engage all learners. Our SIC, PTO, volunteering opportunities, and business partnerships continued to grow over the year increasing parent and community involvement. We deepened our collaboration with the feeder elementary schools to ensure vertical alignment of programs and curriculum. We were included in the Race to the Top federal grant that reinforces enterprise learning, project-based instruction, and professional learning communities as a means to improve practice at Dent Middle School.

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Together, we have worked without hesitation and have done our very best to make our school a better place in which to learn and work. We look forward to another rewarding school year in 2014–2015 as we move forward toward our goal of providing a learning environment where all students can achieve academic success as we stay true to our motto, "One Team, One Dream".

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David V. Basile, Ed.D., Principal

Dionne Fleshman, SIC Chairperson

## Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	65	371	233
Percent satisfied with learning environment	81.5%	75.7%	87.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	90.7%	76.2%	82.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	75.4%	87.6%	68.4%

\* 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.

<b>Overall Weighted Points Total</b>	<b>79.4</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)**

Dent 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**

	<b>Our District</b>	<b>State</b>	
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.6	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.7	7.3%	
	<b>Our School</b>	<b>State Objective</b>	<b>Met State Objective</b>
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.5%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	95.5%	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 6-8</b>							
All Students	627.0	633.6	635.9	639.7	99.7	99.7	99.5
Male	618.1	632.9	635.2	642.3	99.5	99.5	99.8
Female	635.6	634.2	636.5	637.2	99.8	99.8	99.3
White	676.6	687.9	691.7	697.0	99.6	100.0	100.0
African American	605.4	609.5	612.0	615.3	99.6	99.5	99.4
Asian/Pacific Islander	682.0	703.8	694.1	702.0	100.0	100.0	97.9
Hispanic	612.8	612.3	621.7	622.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	558.4	572.0	572.3	582.5	100.0	99.2	100.0
Limited English Proficient	621.4	635.9	629.9	647.8	98.9	100.0	100.0
Subsidized Meals	597.4	602.2	606.4	608.1	99.6	99.6	99.8
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

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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	403	640.6	99.5	403	633.7	99.5	
7	460	628.5	99.6	460	631.5	99.6	
8	469	626.2	100.0	469	633.6	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/A	N/AV
4	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV
5	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AV
6	200	624.3	99.5	203	659.6	99.0	
7	460	636.9	99.4	460	634.3	99.4	
8	235	630.5	94.5	234	632.6	99.6	

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	381	630.6	99.2	381	630.9	98.7	
7	428	629.1	99.8	428	643.0	99.3	
8	421	621.7	100.0	421	626.7	99.8	
		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	N/A
4	N/A	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	N/A
6	188	619.6	98.4	192	645.1	99.0	
7	427	649.8	99.3	427	636.7	99.3	
8	212	622.9	99.5	208	641.0	99.5	

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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 4002072

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	648.8	646.9	629.6	646.8	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
Male	643.3	647.1	630.1	647.9	99.8	99.9	99.7	N/A
Female	654.7	646.7	629.1	645.7	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	673.3	678.4	657.7	669.1	99.9	99.9	100.0	N/A
African American	637.2	630.8	615.0	635.4	99.8	99.9	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	673.8	690.8	662.5	677.9	99.6	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	638.4	636.3	624.5	639.1	99.6	99.8	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	607.9	606.6	598.2	615.3	99.5	99.8	99.3	N/A
Limited English Proficient	639.8	646.4	628.8	648.0	99.5	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	631.3	624.9	610.8	629.7	99.8	99.9	99.7	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	625.8	625.5	631.1	630.5	99.7	99.7	99.5	N/A
Male	618.6	624.1	630.7	632.9	99.7	99.7	99.5	N/A
Female	633.2	627.0	631.6	628.1	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
White	651.2	652.4	662.3	656.2	99.9	99.8	99.3	N/A
African American	613.4	611.4	615.7	617.4	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	666.3	682.9	674.1	679.2	99.6	100.0	99.4	N/A
Hispanic	615.1	616.2	624.0	624.8	98.5	99.8	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	572.9	581.4	584.1	593.2	99.7	99.5	99.4	N/A
Limited English Proficient	615.3	625.3	622.5	633.1	97.2	99.4	99.5	N/A
Subsidized Meals	607.3	606.4	611.0	613.8	99.6	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)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
<b>Grades 9 - 12</b>								
All Students	230.1	222.1	82.4	74.5	98.2	98.4	100.0	82.0
Male	225.3	220.9	82.3	74.9	97.6	97.8	100.0	76.0
Female	234.6	223.3	82.8	74.2	98.8	98.9	100.0	87.8
White	242.0	238.6	90.1	80.4	99.8	99.8	100.0	87.1
African American	224.5	213.8	78.4	71.7	97.9	97.9	100.0	79.7
Asian/Pacific Islander	247.6	256.5	92.2	80.2	98.3	98.3	100.0	88.5
Hispanic	225.7	218.3	81.8	74.9	94.4	96.3	100.0	76.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	201.3	195.2	65.9	66.6	98.2	96.9	100.0	43.1
Limited English Proficient	219.6	217.2	80.3	74.9	94.6	97.3	100.0	68.5
Subsidized Meals	221.6	211.4	76.8	70.7	97.6	97.7	100.0	73.0
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
<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
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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	5

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