



## R.P. Dawkins Middle School

1300 East Blackstock Road  
Moore, SC 29369

**Grades** 6-8 Middle School  
**Enrollment** 857 Students  
**Principal** Jay Seegars 864-576-8088  
**Superintendent** Dr. Darryl Owings 864-576-4212  
**Board Chair** Mr. Lynn Harris, Chairman 864-576-4212

# 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	Good
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.

<http://ed.sc.gov>  
<http://www.eoc.sc.gov>

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

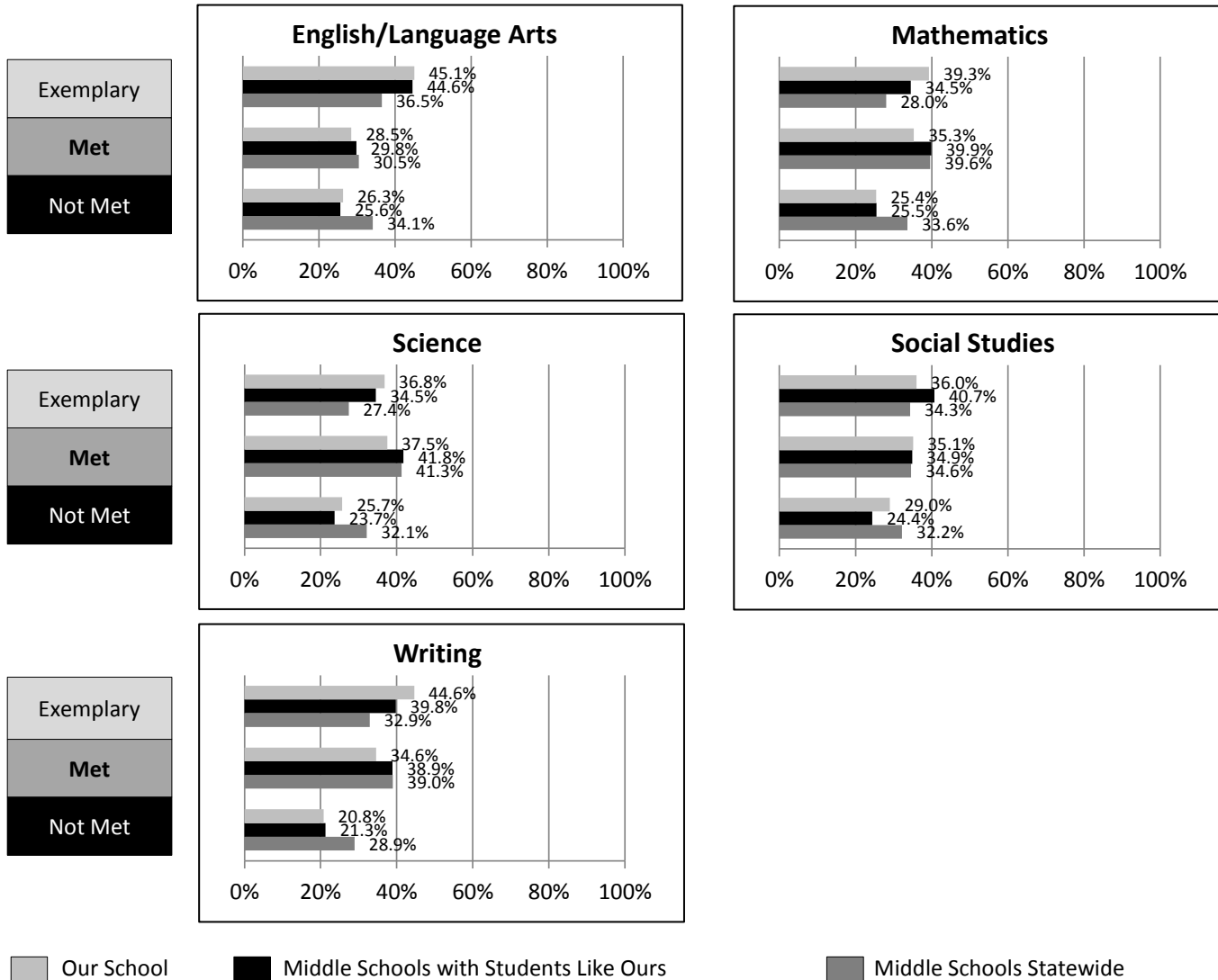
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 97.6%

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

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
17	14	11	1	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 = 857)</b>				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	23.5%	Up from 17.5%	35.2%	26.0%
Retention Rate	0.1%	Up from 0.0%	0.4%	0.6%
Attendance Rate	97.1%	Down from 97.7%	96.6%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	35.5%	Up from 34.3%	23.8%	19.4%
With disabilities	9.8%	Up from 9.6%	11.7%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	1.8%	Down from 2.3%	3.2%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n = 54)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	75.9%	Down from 77.4%	62.5%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	79.6%	Down from 86.8%	76.7%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.2%	Down from 93.5%	86.9%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 94.2%	95.6%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,514	Up 0.9%	\$48,464	\$47,081
Professional development days/teacher	14.1 days	Up from 13.3 days	10.2 days	10.6 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.4 to 1	No change	21.9 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.3%	Up from 91.2%	90.3%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.4%	Up from 96.7%	99.2%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	No change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,818	Up 3.0%	\$7,060	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.3%	Down from 70.0%	63.4%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.9%	Up from 66.0%	62.6%	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%	97.7%
English 1	100.0%	97.5%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	0.0%
All Subjects	100.0%	97.4%

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**Report of Principal and School Improvement Council**

The 2012-2013 school year was a successful one at R.P. Dawkins Middle. In keeping with our mission, a safe and nurturing learning environment was provided where every student had an opportunity to succeed. Our faculty remained committed to the development of students in the areas of academics, fine arts, athletics, and service to others. Once again, our students achieved success in each of these.

Academic rigor and increased learning opportunities for our students remain a primary focus at R.P. Dawkins. This year we were pleased to offer our seventh and eighth grade students two new exploratory classes: Gateway to Technology and Integrated Business Applications. Also, we added Honors English 9 for our eighth graders. Many students excelled in the classroom, and we were proud to have 29 students selected as SC Junior Scholars. Our academic team had another outstanding year. This year’s team placed second in the Battle of the Brains competition and was the state winner in the Knowledge Master Open. The team qualified for the Junior National Academic Championship in Alexandria, Virginia and finished in sixth place overall.

Our fine arts programs did an outstanding job this year. Orchestra, band, and chorus each had members recognized for their talents at the regional and state levels. Our orchestra program was as impressive as ever and earned another superior rating at Concert Festival. Also, we had three students make the 2012-2013 South Carolina All-State orchestra. The number of band participants grew from the previous year and earned a superior performance rating at Concert Festival. Chorus saw an increase in student participation and received an excellent performance rating.

Athletics at R.P. Dawkins remained a source of fun and pride for our students. Each of our programs was competitive and enjoyed winning seasons. Our girls’ volleyball team was Peachtree Conference regular season and tournament champions. Our eighth grade football team was Peachtree Conference champion. In addition to football, volleyball, basketball, and wrestling, we added boys and girls soccer programs for our students.

Our Bearcats were committed to helping others in need and were busy with many charitable causes. Our student council led our student body in fundraising efforts for the Make-A- Wish Foundation, Relay for Life, and the Spartanburg Soup Kitchen. Other efforts were spent supporting Mobile Meals and the United Way.

With a combined effort, our students, parents, faculty and staff worked together to make this year a positive one. We were pleased with the growth of so many of our Bearcats and remain committed to meeting the needs of all our students. We expect success and look forward to what the future has in store for our students.

Jay Seegars, Principal                      Stacey Beeler, SIC Chair

**Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	48	270	43
Percent satisfied with learning environment	70.8%	83.0%	90.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	81.2%	82.4%	88.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	79.2%	89.6%	76.2%

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

**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>88.7</b>
<b>Overall Grade Conversion</b>	<b>B</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)**

R.P. Dawkins 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	4.1	3.2%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.4	7.3%	
	<b>Our School</b>	<b>State Objective</b>	<b>Met State Objective</b>
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	12.3%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	97.1%	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	637.1	644.3	641.7	634.9	99.9	99.9	99.7
Male	629.3	642.0	639.8	639.0	99.8	99.8	99.7
Female	644.6	646.5	643.5	631.1	100.0	100.0	99.7
White	663.4	671.5	668.5	657.5	100.0	100.0	100.0
African American	606.5	610.8	607.6	606.3	99.7	99.7	99.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	671.5	693.6	682.3	N/A	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hispanic	641.9	649.1	649.7	648.7	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	582.8	593.9	592.1	587.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
Limited English Proficient	621.4	633.8	637.2	633.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
Subsidized Meals	613.9	618.3	617.8	615.9	99.8	99.8	99.6
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	304	633.3	99.7	304	650.2	100.0	
7	289	636.7	100.0	289	639.4	100.0	
8	277	646.5	99.3	277	634.6	99.3	
		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	152	620.5	98.7	153	638.0	99.4	
7	289	642.8	100.0	289	635.1	99.7	
8	138	635.3	99.3	138	643.5	98.6	

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	266	640.7	100.0	266	648.9	100.0	
7	297	630.0	100.0	297	642.4	100.0	
8	296	641.0	99.7	296	641.8	99.7	
		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	134	630.7	100.0	132	641.9	100.0	
7	296	643.1	100.0	297	629.0	100.0	
8	145	649.0	98.6	148	640.4	98.7	

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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 4206060

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	641.3	641.9	625.2	643.8	99.4	99.9	99.7	N/A
Male	637.6	643.8	626.6	645.9	99.4	99.8	99.5	N/A
Female	645.3	639.9	623.8	641.5	99.3	99.9	99.9	N/A
White	655.2	659.3	641.2	655.0	99.6	100.0	100.0	N/A
African American	626.6	619.7	605.8	629.8	98.7	99.6	99.0	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	652.0	659.3	635.5	662.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	627.8	631.3	613.9	636.2	99.8	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	604.2	602.9	588.4	614.5	97.8	100.0	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	627.8	633.4	613.6	639.0	99.8	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.9	627.2	610.6	631.8	99.6	100.0	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	625.6	633.3	630.2	628.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
Male	617.4	628.9	628.9	630.4	99.7	99.8	99.6	N/A
Female	634.3	637.9	631.6	626.5	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
White	641.8	648.3	646.2	644.2	99.7	99.8	99.9	N/A
African American	604.3	610.0	606.5	607.1	99.9	99.9	99.5	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	650.6	670.0	660.9	653.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	615.3	628.1	624.7	620.3	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	578.3	590.6	589.3	590.8	99.4	100.0	99.1	N/A
Limited English Proficient	610.3	625.9	622.5	618.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	608.9	617.0	614.2	613.4	99.7	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)	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	222.8	80.4	72.3	99.0	99.0	100.0	84.4
Male	225.4	222.6	80.1	72.9	98.7	98.7	100.0	80.0
Female	232.7	223.0	80.6	71.8	99.3	99.3	100.0	88.9
White	235.9	230.7	84.8	75.1	98.9	98.9	100.0	85.3
African American	222.2	212.2	75.8	69.0	99.0	99.0	100.0	85.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	238.7	241.4	88.8	80.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	89.5
Hispanic	221.2	217.4	73.8	69.3	98.9	98.9	100.0	71.8
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	196.9	188.7	63.6	61.9	98.9	98.9	100.0	39.3
Limited English Proficient	214.5	214.8	71.3	67.4	98.7	98.7	100.0	75.0
Subsidized Meals	221.7	213.5	76.2	68.8	99.1	99.1	100.0	77.8
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 4206060

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
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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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