SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Batesburg-Leesville Primary School
LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT THREE
Grades: PK-2 Enrollment: 615
Principal: Tonya K. Watson
Superintendent: Dr. J. Chester Floyd
Board Chair: Craig A. Caughman

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	A	N/A
2013	Excellent	Good	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2012	Excellent	Good	N/A	N/A	A	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
6	4	0	0	0

** Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/02/2015. Primary Schools like Ours are primary schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.*

PRIME INSTRUCTIONAL TIME	
Our School	Median Primary School
88.3%	89.8%

STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO IN CORE SUBJECTS	
Our School	Median Primary School
14.9 to 1	21.2 to 1

TEACHERS WITH ADVANCED DEGREES	
Our School	Median Primary School
70.3%	61.2%

TEACHERS RETURNING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	
Our School	Median Primary School
94.4%	89.7%

PERCENT OF PARENTS ATTENDING CONFERENCES	
Our School	Median Primary School
100.0%	100.0%

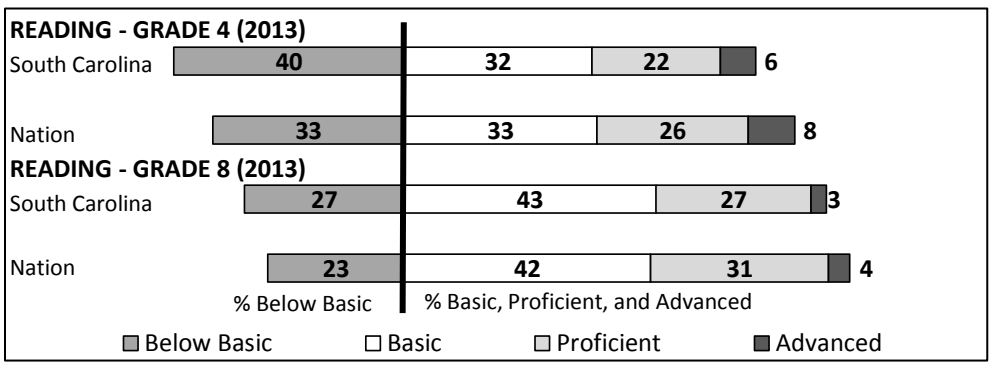
DAYS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT*	
Our School	Median Primary School
80.1 days	10.4 days

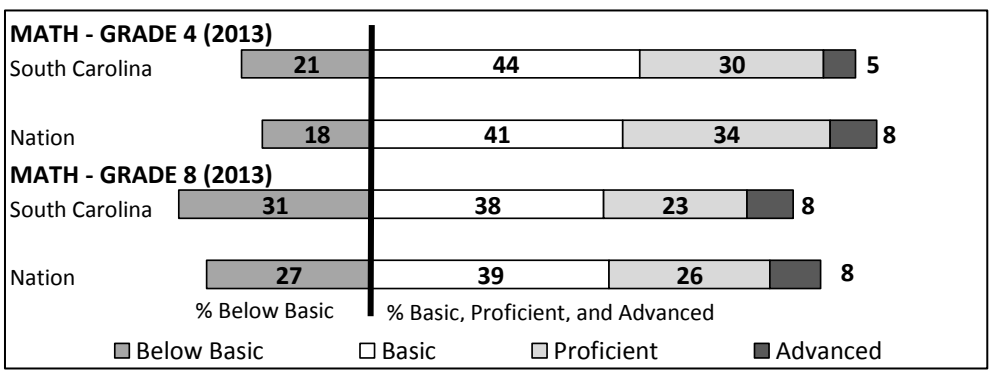
**Professional development days should be devoted exclusively to knowledge and skills in working with children less than eight years old.*

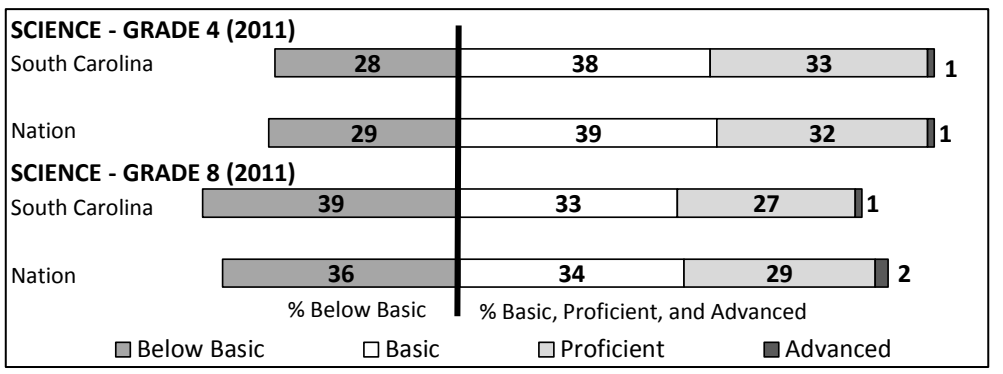
	Types of Accreditation (More Than One May Apply)
	Not Pursuing accreditation
	Conducting a self-study
X	South Carolina Department of Education
X	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
	American Montessori Society
	National Association for the Education of Young Children

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

**Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.*







SC 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.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Primary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Primary School
Students (n = 615)				
Retention Rate	6.4%	Down from 7.0%	2.0%	2.3%
Attendance Rate	95.3%	Up from 95.1%	95.7%	95.7%
With disabilities	18.7%	Up from 15.9%	11.3%	10.5%
Older than usual for grade	3.1%	Down from 3.4%	0.7%	1.0%
Teachers (n = 37)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	70.3%	Down from 70.6%	60.9%	61.2%
Continuing contract teachers	78.4%	Down from 82.4%	80.0%	80.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	94.4%	Down from 96.0%	88.0%	89.7%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Down from 95.5%	94.5%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	$48,150	Down 0.6%	$48,150	$46,810
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	83.9 days	Down from 85.7 days	17.2 days	13.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	10.0	Up from 9.0	7.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	14.9 to 1	Down from 21.4 to 1	20.6 to 1	21.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.3%	Down from 89.2%	88.4%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	$8,072	Up 8.7%	$7,396	$7,021
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.3%	Down from 70.0%	68.5%	67.2%
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	68.4%	Up from 68.0%	67.8%	66.6%
ESEA composite index score	92.1	Up from 76.8	90.2	86.7

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

*** Prior year audited financial data are reported.*

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers
Number of surveys returned	40
Percent satisfied with learning environment	90.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.5%

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Dear Parents/Guardians and Supporters of Batesburg-Leesville Primary School,

The 2013-2014 school year at BLPS was one of much growth and success for our students as well as our faculty and staff. Students were afforded so many opportunities to prosper in the academic world as well as many social growth events which will be memorable for them.

We continued this year to have a major focus on literacy and helped our students to put reading as a priority in their lives. The Book Swap Room became even better this year with many more books donated by the community. Our school participated in the Literacy Matters Project this year which trained the teachers in becoming more attentive to the details of teaching reading and writing. The Project also gave 8 free books to every BLPS student so that they could continue reading during the summer.

The faculty continued their study of the National Common Core Standards which will be fully implemented this coming year. You will find that the curriculum will become more rigorous as your children meet the challenges ahead.

BLPS continued this year its application of the Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS). We had less office referrals this year than any of the past 10 years, and especially saw miraculous improvement in the behavior of our students riding our buses.

This year BLPS earned an Absolute Rating of “Excellent” and a Growth Rating of “Good”. BLPS could not be making the strides that it is without the support of our parents and community. Thank you for being a part of our success.

Tonya K. Watson Judy T. Enlow

Principal SIC Chairperson