

Ladson Elementary School

3321 Ladson Road

Ladson, SC 29456



South Carolina State Report Card

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This year, the report card has been updated to reflect changes in reporting directed by the SC Education Oversight Committee. Schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017 when the state will transition to a single accountability system. The following reports student performance in school year 2014-15.

Grades:	PK-5 Elementary	Principal:	Celeste Spires
Enrollment:	828 students	Superintendent:	Mr. Michael L. Bobby, Acting Superinte
School Phone:	843-764-2225	Board Chair:	Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats
School Website:	http://ladson.ccsdschools.com/		



Profile of the SC Graduate

World Class Knowledge

- Rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness
- Multiple languages, science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and social sciences*

World Class Skills

- Creativity and innovation
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Communication, information, media and technology
- Knowing how to learn

Life and Career Characteristics

- Integrity
- Self-direction
- Global perspective
- Perseverance
- Work ethic
- Interpersonal skills

* 21st Century core courses in Social Sciences include History, Geography, Economics, Government and Civics.

WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by ...

Ladson Elementary is helping all students develop the world class skills and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically challenging learning environment. We continue to place academics and student achievement as priorities while preparing students to become successful citizens who are equipped to positively contribute to our community in the future. Ladson Elementary provides services to students from 3-year-old Head Start through the fifth grade. By promoting character development through regularly scheduled guidance classes, the implementation of our award-winning Positive Behavior Supports System and Anti-Bullying programs, parents are ensured that students are not only safe while at school but also learning the collaborative and teamwork skills that will be necessary in the 21st century workforce.

Our district's continued focus on literacy provided our school with two First Grade Academy Master Reading Teachers who support the reading progress of eligible first graders. The program will continue to be extended to eligible students in Kindergarten, second, third, fourth and fifth grade in order to provide literacy support. Students will be guided to think critically and groomed to become personally responsible for their own learning.

Our school provides opportunities for our students to be involved in a variety of extracurricular activities. We have a gardening club, a recycling team, a Robotics Team, a school-wide chorus, a morning news team, Engaging Creative Minds activities and a Student Council. Our school includes an outdoor learning space that reinforces our effort to connect students to healthy living choices and helps them learn to appreciate our "Green" efforts to protect our environment.

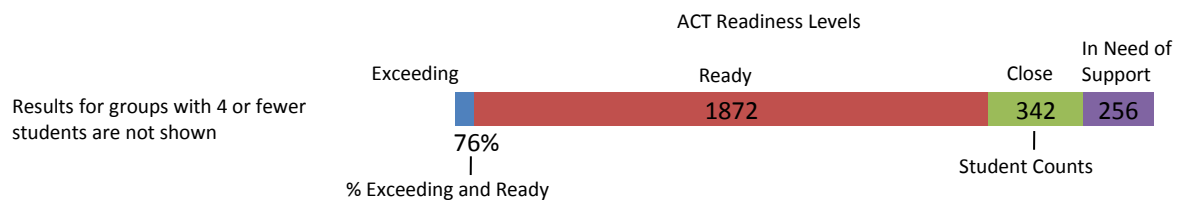
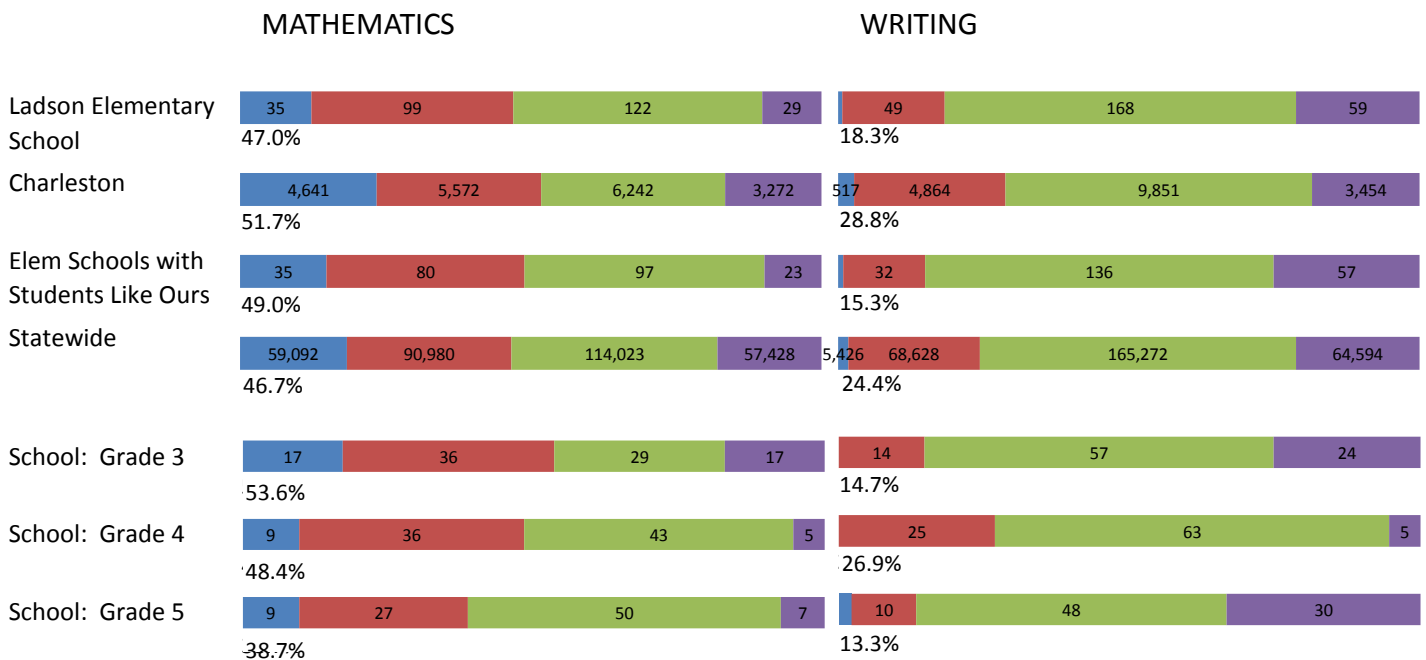
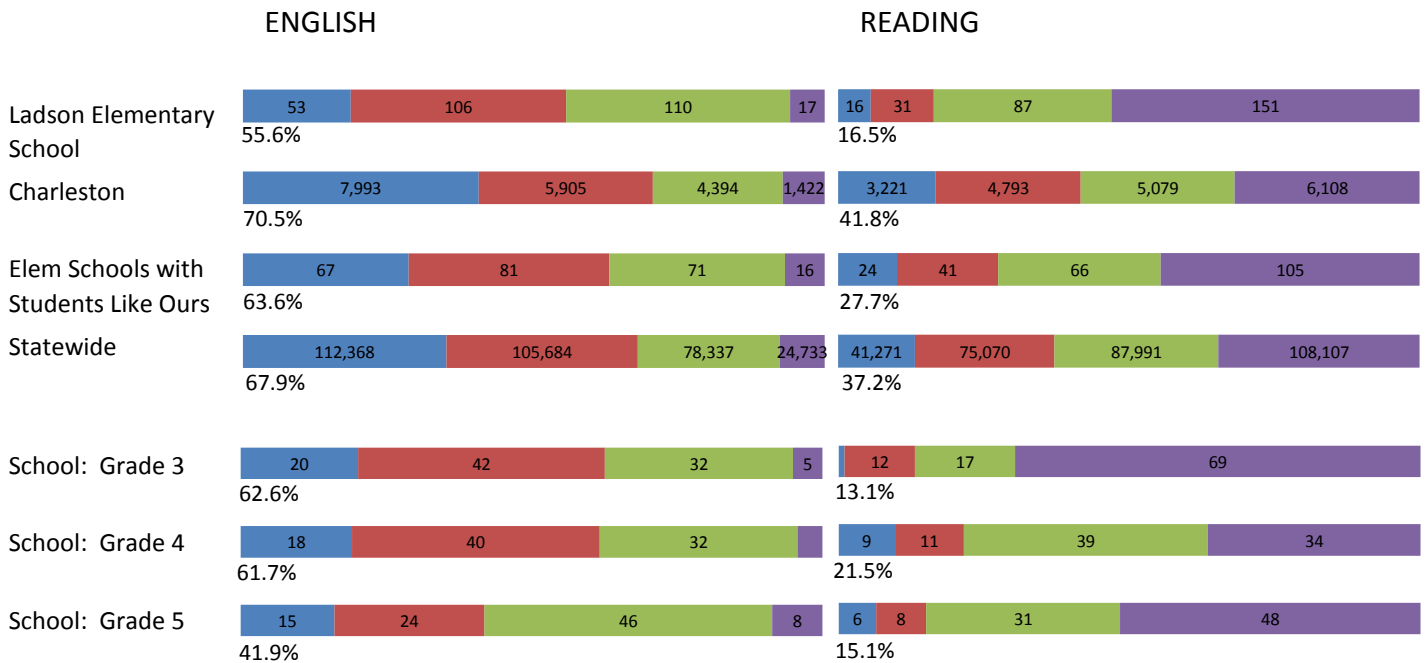
We engage our families and school community in the education process every chance we get, through an annual Meet the Teacher/Open house, monthly PTA meetings, family reading and math nights, wellness seminars and educational opportunities. Under the leadership of our Parent Advocate, parents are linked with community resources and volunteer opportunities within the school.

At Ladson, we believe that it is our charge to develop every aspect of a student to compete in today's society and become tomorrow's World Class graduates. We will continue to focus on providing a safe, challenging and caring learning environment where academic excellence is expected.

Celeste Spires, Principal
Susan Moody, SIC Chair

KNOWLEDGE

The ACT Aspire assessment was given to students in grades 3-8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Reading, English, Mathematics and Writing



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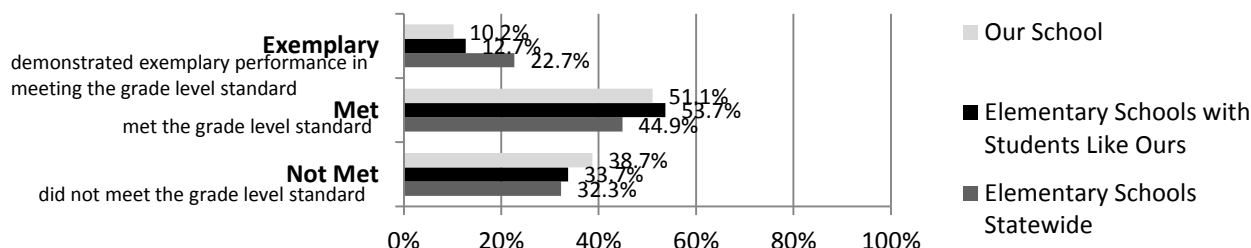
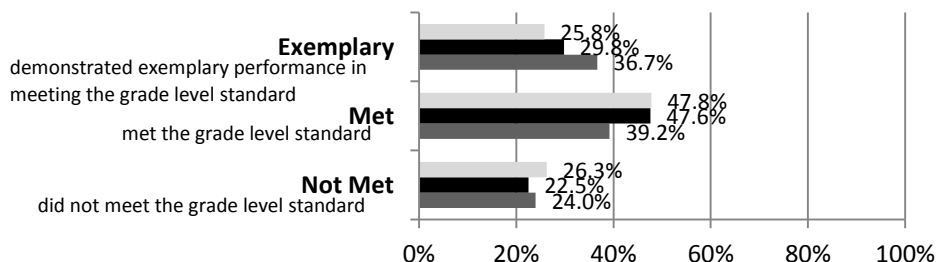
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The SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) was given to students in grades 4 - 8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Science and Social Studies.

Science**Social Studies****Science SCPASS**

Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level

4th grade	5th grade
63.4	59.1

Social Studies SCPASS

Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level

4th grade	5th grade
83.9	63.4

Note: Results include SC-Alt assessment results.

Exemplary

"Exemplary": student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.

Met

"Met": student met the grade level standard.

Not Met

"Not Met": student did not meet the grade level standard.

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.

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OPPORTUNITIES**For students to meet the profile of the SC Graduate**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with students like ours
Students (n = 828)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	78.7	Down from 86.9%	N/A
Attendance Rate	95.0	Down from 95.8%	95.5
With disabilities	6.6	No change	13.5
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.7	Up from 0.5%	0.0
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	2.7	Down from 4.3%	6.4
Percentage of students retained	1.9	Up from 1.3%	1.3
Teachers (n = 55)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	45.5	Up from 44.4%	58.3
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	74.5	Down from 79.6%	80.6
Teachers returning from previous year	87.3	Down from 87.6%	88.1
Teacher attendance rate	95.3	Down from 95.6%	94.9
Average teacher salary*	\$44,919	Up 3.7%	\$48,148
Professional development days / teacher	8.3 days	Down from 11.2 days	10.7 days
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.5
School			
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.5 to 1	Down from 24.4 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.9	Down from 90.5%	89.2
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Poor	N/A	Poor
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	No	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.7	Down from 100.0%	100.0
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Excellent
Avg. age of books / electronic media in the school library	12.0	N/A	14.9
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	10.2	N/A	25.2
Bandwidth capacity per student	>100 Mbps	N/C	N/A
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	0-25%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	0.3	N/C	1.0
District-issued technology devices per teacher	2.3	N/C	1.9
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.9	Down from 5.7%	0.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,560	Up 3.4%	\$7,829
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.9	Up from 66.1%	65.1
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	68.0	Up from 66.8%	66.7

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 190 days or more.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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OPPORTUNITIES**Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents****Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	44	N/A	N/A
Percent satisfied with learning environment	88.6	I/S	I/S
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.3	I/S	I/S
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	72.7	I/S	I/S

* Only students at the highest elementary school grade and their parents were included.

State Ratings History of School

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2014	Average	Excellent
2013	Average	Average
2012	Average	Average

Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.

Additional Resources

SC State Content Standards
[Family-Friendly Guides to the SC Content Standards](#)
[2014-15 Accountability Manual](#)
[Report Card Data Files](#)
[ESEA Data Files](#)

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