Edwards Elementary
2411 West Blvd
Chesterfield, SC 29709

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:**	Kim Gaskins
Enrollment:	516 students	**Superintendent:**	J. Harrison Goodwin, Ed. D
School Phone:	843-623-2351	**Board Chair:**	James N. Sweeney
School Website:	http://schools.mychesterfieldcountyschools.com/index.aspx?nid=72		

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.

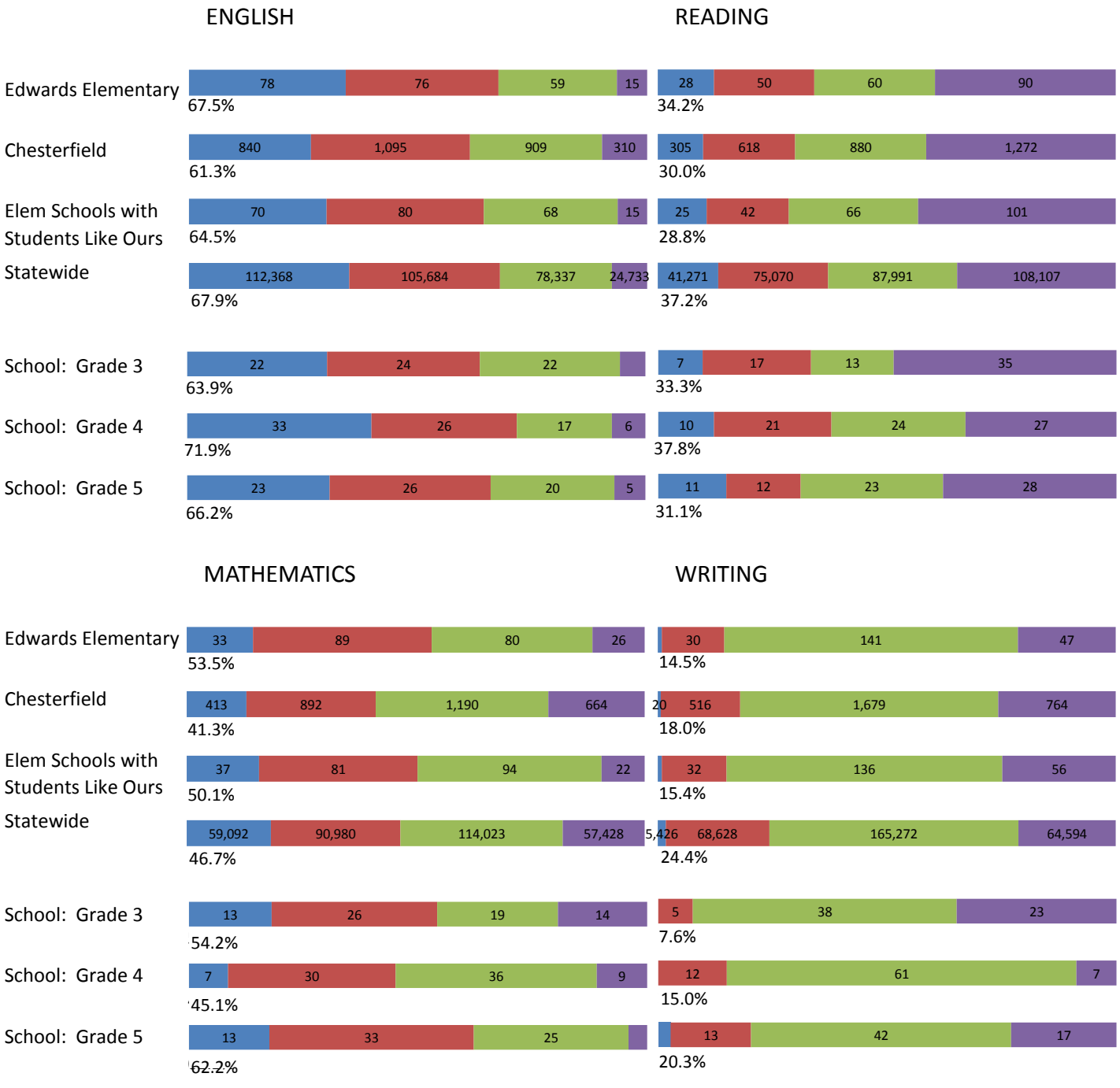
WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

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

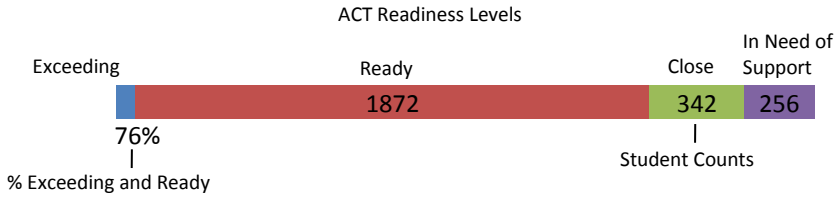
The mission of Edwards Elementary is to prepare students to become responsible individuals by creating a positive environment where dedicated staff, parents, and community members work together to provide opportunities for success and creativity through academics and the arts. Due to the district's emphasis on literacy staff development, our staff continues to grow professionally through the collaborative efforts of our general education teachers, special education teachers, Interventionist and Literacy Coach. Edwards continuously strives to meet the individual needs of all students. As a result, MAP scores and Fountas and Pinnell reading levels have increased. The Kindergarten Connection program continues to bridge the gap and better prepare our students for first grade. The Kindergarten Connection program as well as Summer Enrichment for students in grades 1-5 continues through the summer to address social development and academic weaknesses. Our school continues to recognize exceptional students through our "Triple A" Plan. Edwards' "Triple A" Plan focuses on Attendance, Attitude, and Academics. Students are encouraged and rewarded each nine weeks for perfect attendance, displaying a positive attitude and excelling academically. We celebrate success! Edwards Elementary continues to stress the importance of community and parental involvement. Community service projects are held each year to support Pennies For Patients, Relay For Life, Paws & Claws, Connie Maxwell Home, and St. Jude Hospital. Edwards prides itself in continuing to have 100% parent participation throughout the school year. Contacts and relationships are established with all parents to ensure that all students have the greatest opportunity for success. We thank every parent and community member for your continued support of our school. Kim Gaskins, Principal

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



Results for groups with 4 or fewer students are not shown



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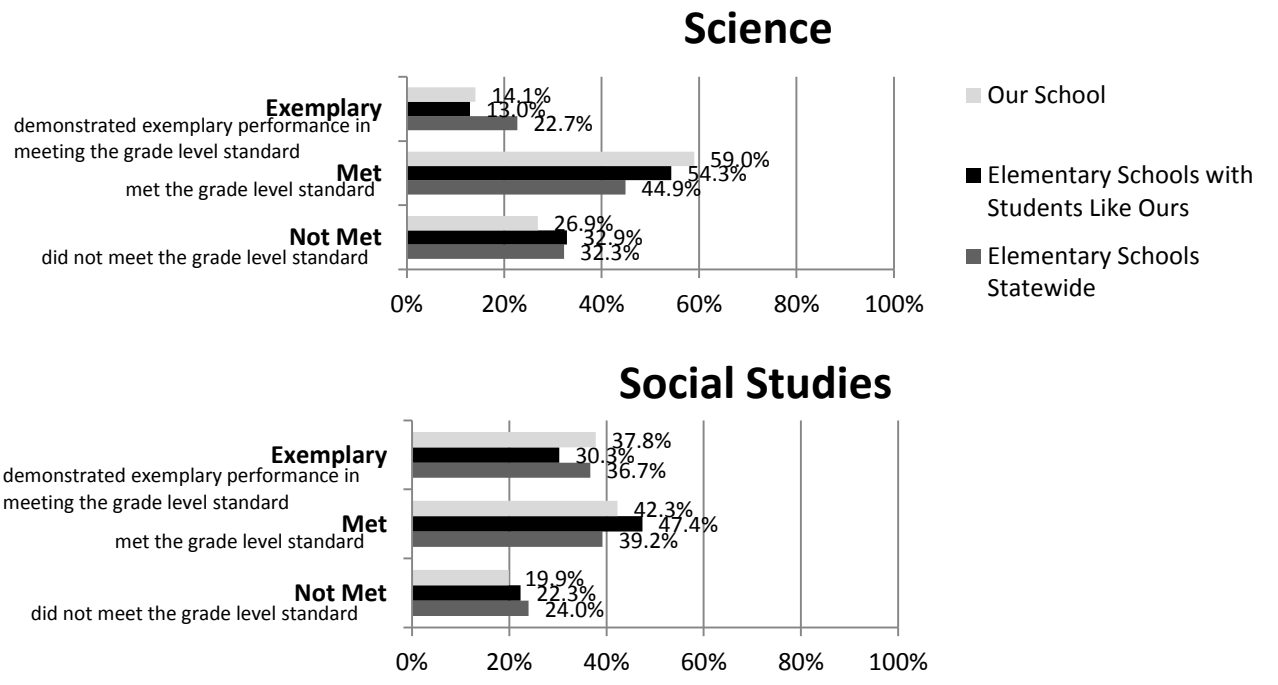
The SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) was given to students in grades 4 - 8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Science and Social Studies.



Science SCPASS	
Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level	
4th grade	5th grade
69.5	77.0
Social Studies SCPASS	
Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level	
4th grade	5th grade
93.9	64.9

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 = 516)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	76.7	Down from 81.0%	N/A
Attendance Rate	95.6	Down from 96.5%	95.6
With disabilities	4.4	Down from 6.6%	13.5
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0	No change	0.0
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	7.3	Down from 7.5%	6.5
Percentage of students retained	0.2	Up from 0.0%	1.2
Teachers (n = 33)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	69.7	Down from 76.5%	59.3
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	90.9	Up from 88.2%	81.3
Teachers returning from previous year	95.7	Down from 97.9%	88.6
Teacher attendance rate	99.8	Up from 94.9%	94.9
Average teacher salary*	$48,873	Down 3.1%	$48,456
Professional development days / teacher	4.7 days	Down from 9.9 days	10.5 days
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.4
School			
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	5.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.4 to 1	Up from 19.6 to 1	20.3 to 1
Prime instructional time	95.3	Up from 88.9%	89.5
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Poor	N/A	Poor
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0	No change	100.0
Character development program	Fair	No change	Excellent
Avg. age of books / electronic media in the school library	13.0	N/A	14.9
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	23.2	N/A	24.9
Bandwidth capacity per student	<25 Mbps	N/C	N/A
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	0-25%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	0.1	N/C	1.0
District-issued technology devices per teacher	1.9	N/C	1.9
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0	No change	0.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	$7,209	Up 4.0%	$7,796
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.8	Up from 68.3%	66.1
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	69.3	Up from 68.7%	67.3

* 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	22	66	29
Percent satisfied with learning environment	86.4	93.9	93.1
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.3	86.2	93.1
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	86.4	84.4	75.8

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

State Ratings History of School

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

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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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