

Wright Middle School

111 Hwy 71
Abbeville, SC 29620



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: 6-8 Middle
Enrollment: 396 students
School Phone: 864=366-5998
School Website: <http://wms.acsdsc.org/>

Principal: Skip Hopkins
Superintendent: Dr. Jonathan Phipps
Board Chair: James B. Tisdale, Jr



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.

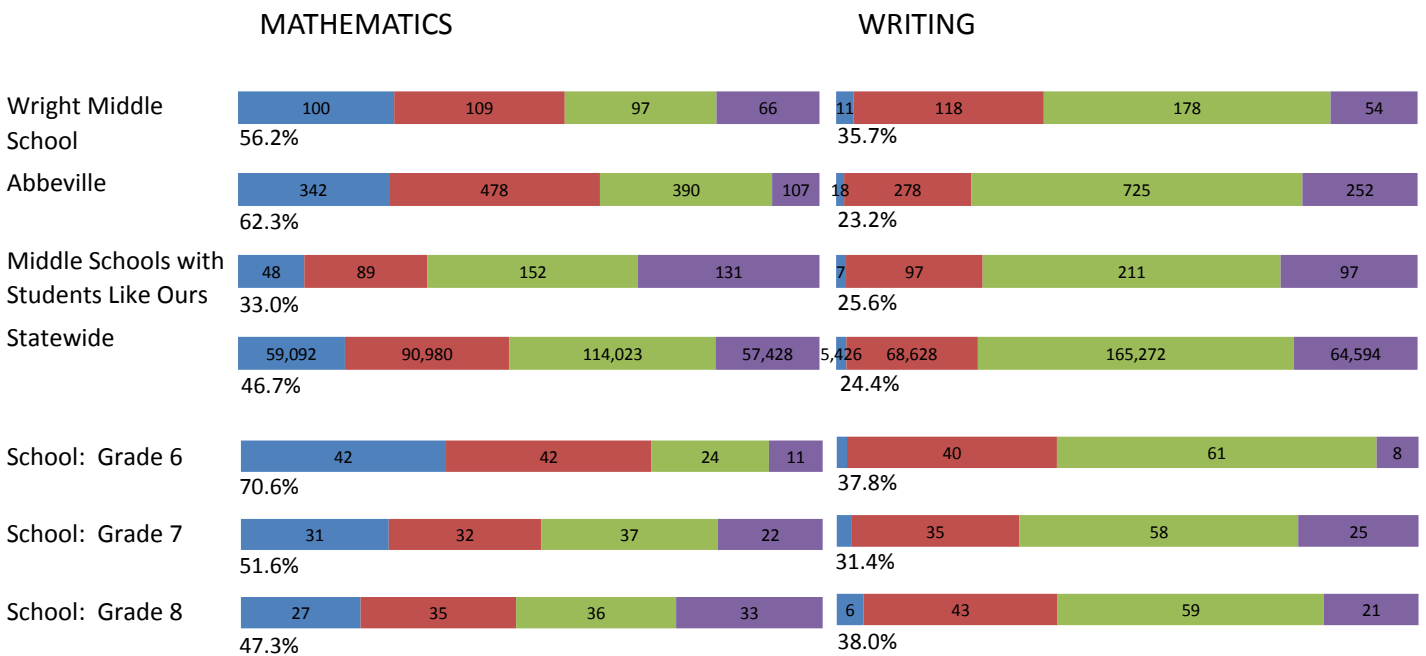
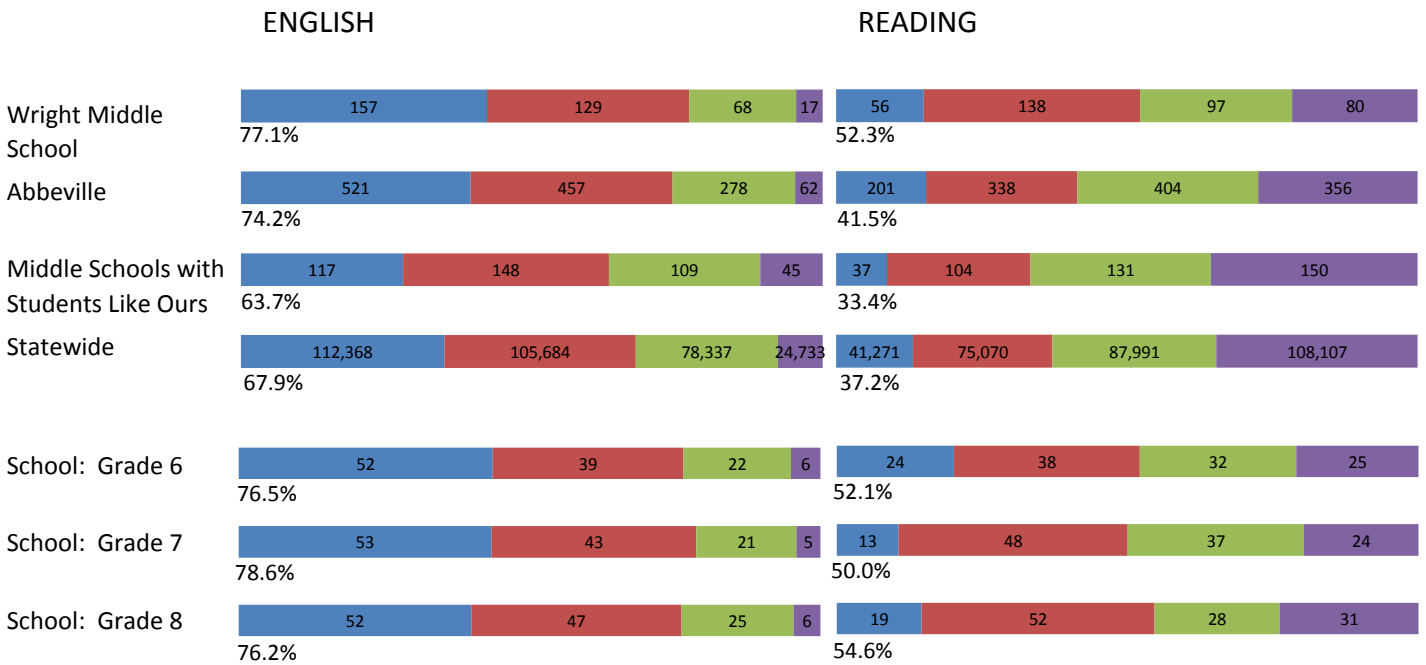
WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

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Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by focusing on academic achievement for all students. J.S. Wright Middle School serves a diverse population of learners in Abbeville District 60. We serve approximately 400 students in grades six through eight. Wright offers a core program focusing on ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies, and related arts classes which offer multiple opportunities for students. We are extremely proud of the accomplishments of our students. In 2013-2014 J.S. Wright Middle received the Palmetto Gold award once again. We continue to rank as one of the highest achieving middle schools in South Carolina. We had many students excel academically this year. Nine students scored perfect on 2014 PASS testing. We also had six students recognized as Junior Scholars. The formation of our PAWS organization allowed students to participate in service learning projects. J.S. Wright Middle School also achieved outside of the classroom. Our football team won the region championship for the third year in a row. Our baseball team also won the region championship. We also had students compete in band, cheer, golf, basketball, track, volleyball, softball, wrestling, and tennis. We continue to produce well rounded students. We are very proud of our accomplishments this year and we attribute our successes to our dedicated faculty and staff, our students, excellent district level leadership, and parental and community involvement. Principal - Mr. Skip Hopkins School Improvement Chair - Mr. Shane Cox

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



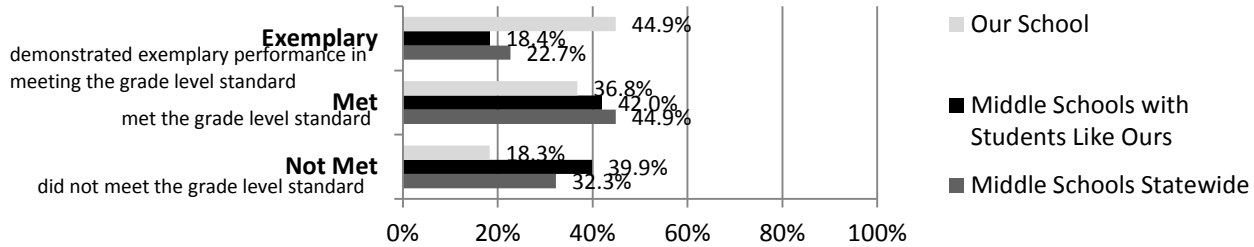
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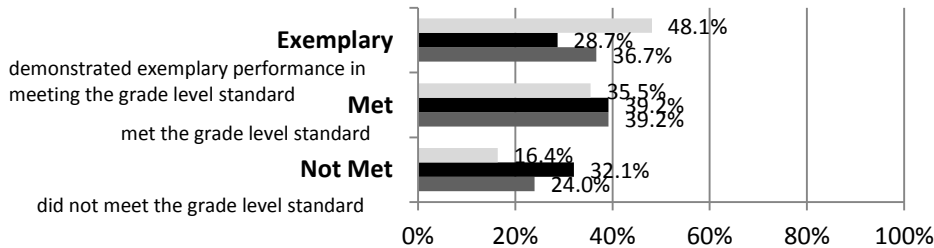
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The SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) was given to students in grades 4 - 8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Science and Social Studies.

Science



Social Studies



Science SCPASS		
Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level		
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade
83.2	82.8	79.4

Social Studies SCPASS		
Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level		
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade
90.8	77.0	83.2

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.

End of Course Tests		
Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	N/A	96.4
English 1	N/A	92.5
Biology 1	N/A	67.2
US History and the Constitution	N/A	51.7
All Subjects	N/A	94.5

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.

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	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with students like ours
Students (n = 396)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	79.1	Down from 80.7%	N/A
Percent of students (grade 7 & 8) enrolled in HS credit courses	0.0	No change	23.0
Attendance Rate	95.8	Up from 95.2%	95.1
With disabilities	10.3	Down from 11.8%	15.1
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.0	Up from 0.0%	0.9
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	24.5	Up from 21.7%	15.8
Percentage of students retained	0.8	Up from 0.5%	0.7
Annual dropout rate	0.0	No change	0.0
Teachers (n = 32)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	56.3	Down from 63.3%	57.4
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	78.1	Down from 86.7%	74.4
Teachers returning from previous year	80.8	Down from 81.3%	84.8
Teacher attendance rate	97.3	Down from 98.3%	94.7
Average teacher salary*	\$44,346	Down 4.0%	\$46,416
Professional development days / teacher	10.2 days	Up from 1.5 days	11.1 days
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.5
School			
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 2.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.0 to 1	Down from 18.2 to 1	20.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.9	Down from 93.4%	88.5
Opportunities in the arts	Poor	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Poor	N/A	Poor
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0	Up from 99.1%	99.4
Character development program	Poor	Down from Excellent	Good
Avg. age of books / electronic media in the school library	23.0	N/A	14.9
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	51.1	N/A	25.2
Bandwidth capacity per student	<25 Mbps	N/C	N/A
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	76-100%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	0.2	N/C	1.0
District-issued technology devices per teacher	0.7	N/C	1.9
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	7.5	Down from 13.0%	5.5
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,339	Up 3.7%	\$7,868
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.2	Up from 64.1%	61.4
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	66.7	Up from 66.4%	62.5

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

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	25	116	76
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0	71.6	73.7
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0	75.8	74.7
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.6	87.9	62.6

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

State Ratings History of School

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

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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