

**Kelly Mill Middle School**

1141 Kelly Mill Rd.  
Blythewood, SC 29016



# 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.

<b>Grades:</b>	2-8 Middle	<b>Principal:</b>	Mark Sims
<b>Enrollment:</b>	1,031 students	<b>Superintendent:</b>	Dr. Debbie Hamm
<b>School Phone:</b>	803-691-7210	<b>Board Chair:</b>	The Honorable Calvin "Chip" Jackson
<b>School Website:</b>	<a href="https://www.richland2.org/kmm/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.richland2.org/kmm/Pages/default.aspx</a>		



## 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

## WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

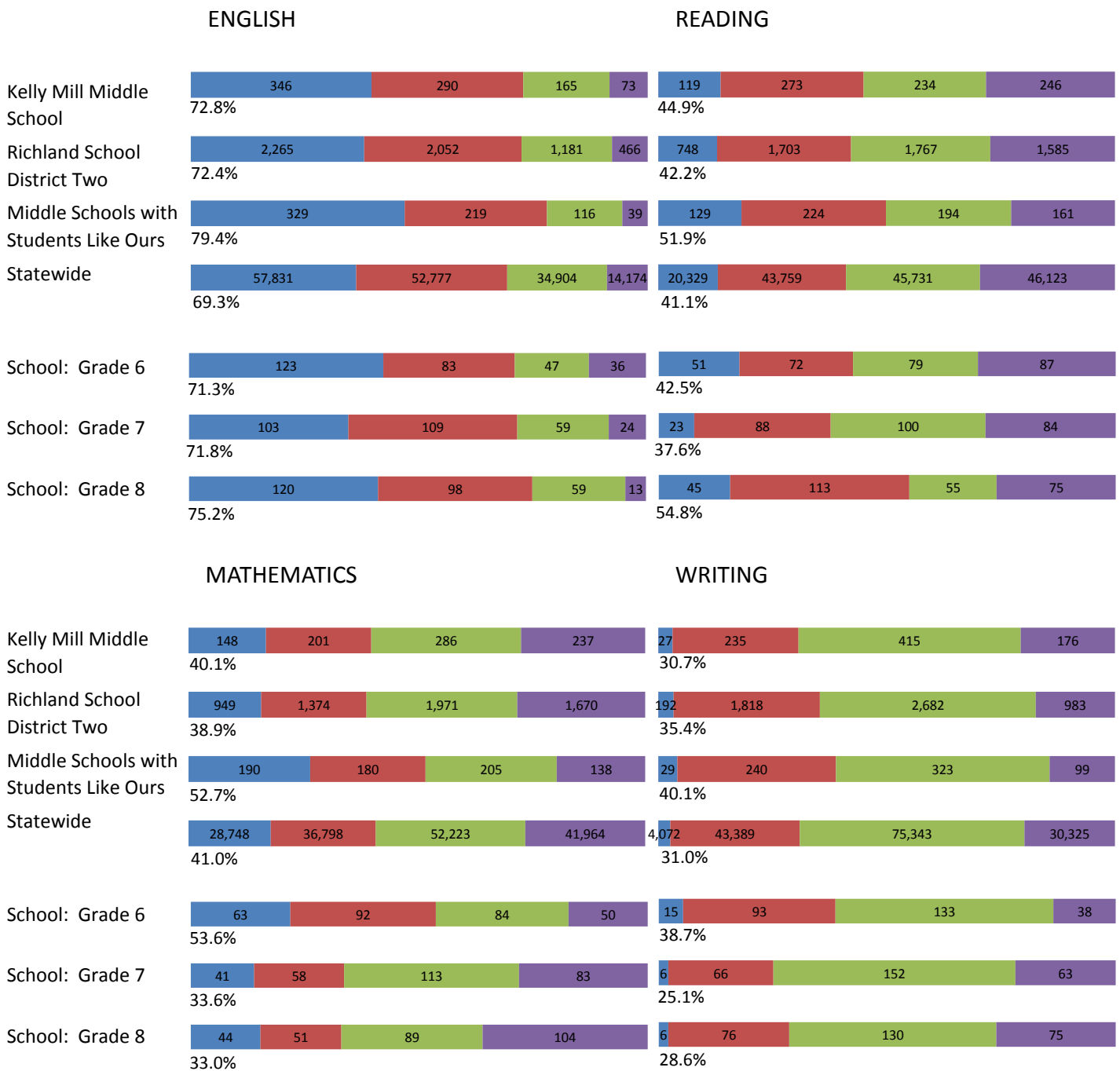
*Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by ...*

Building on the district's belief that all students can learn when immersed in a highly engaged environment, Kelly Mill Middle strives to build positive relationships within our school community, provide relevant and rigorous experiences, and enhance the learning environment for all students. We are very proud of our students' accomplishments this year. Kelly Mill had 21 Junior Scholars, as well as award-winning music programs. We have competitive teams for Math Counts, SC Finance Challenge Team, Step Team, Quiz Whiz, and Athletics. Our parent and community volunteers play a major role in the success of our school. They have contributed countless hours of their time, and are steadfast in helping make our organization more dynamic and effective. The staff at Kelly Mill provides our students with relevant and rigorous work that inspires them to inquire about the world around them. The AVID Program accelerates student-learning and encourages inquiry-based teaching methods. Kelly Mill is one of only two National AVID Demonstration sites in South Carolina. We use technology as an integral component of instruction. Each classroom is equipped with a Promethean Board, and all students have access to IPADs, TI-Inspire calculators, and Chromebooks to ignite their curiosity. Honors classes are offered in English, math, science, and social studies. Kelly Mill INC, a competitive business and economics magnet program for the academically gifted, was recognized as a Magnet School of Excellence by Magnet Schools of America for the 2014-15 school year. INC. students were repeat champions in the SC Finance Challenge. Educators at Kelly Mill are provided with resources and professional development to enhance their ability to promote student success. As our school community continues to provide authentic, rigorous and engaging experiences for our students, it is our belief that if students focus and believe they will excel and achieve. The Center for Achievement, located on the campus of Kelly Mill Middle School, is an elementary magnet school designed for students with learning differences. The center consists of grades 2 through 6. There are 16 students per class, with a highly qualified teacher and an instructional assistant in each classroom. The school identifies students' strengths and provides strategies for their weaknesses. The students have shown growth and success on the nationally normed test administered, and is the proud recipient of the Palmetto Silver Award for the 2013-2014 school year. Mark Sims, Principal Stephanie Lawrence, SIC Chair

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

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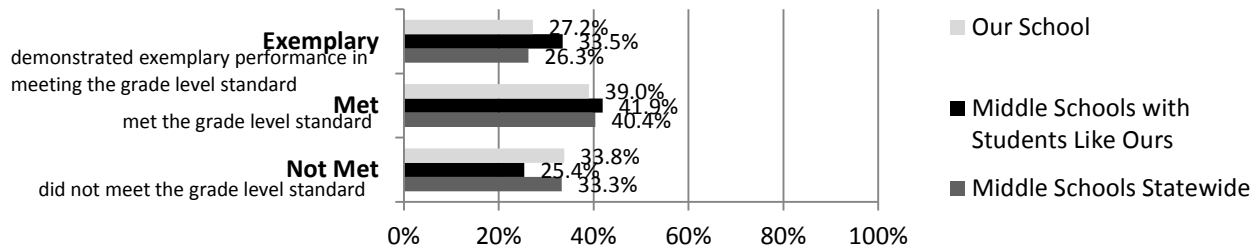
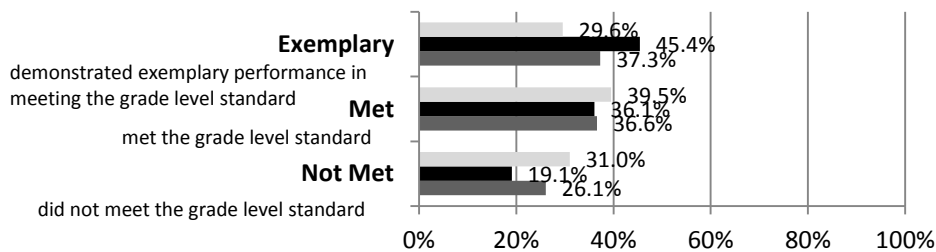
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The SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) was given to students in grades 4 - 8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Science and Social Studies.

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

Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level

6th grade	7th grade	8th grade
61.1	62.4	75.2

**Social Studies SCPASS**

Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level

6th grade	7th grade	8th grade
75.0	60.0	72.4

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.

**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	100.0	97.0
English 1	N/A	88
Biology 1	N/A	87.1
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	96.8

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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**OPPORTUNITIES**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with students like ours
<b>Students (n = 1,031)</b>			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	49.4	Down from 58.7%	N/A
Percent of students (grade 7 & 8) enrolled in HS credit courses	52.1	Down from 68.0%	44.9
Attendance Rate	97.2	Down from 98.1%	96.0
With disabilities	13.5	Up from 13.4%	10.0
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.1	Up from 0.8%	0.7
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	23.6	Up from 23.3%	29.8
Percentage of students retained	0.3	Up from 0.2%	0.4
Annual dropout rate	0.0	No change	0.0
<b>Teachers (n = 71)</b>			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	77.5	Up from 72.5%	66.0
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	74.6	Up from 68.1%	82.7
Teachers returning from previous year	87.7	Up from 81.3%	88.5
Teacher attendance rate	94.3	Down from 96.8%	94.3
Average teacher salary*	\$49,809	Up 3.5%	\$49,027
Professional development days / teacher	15.5 days	Up from 13.1 days	9.6 days
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	0.3
<b>School</b>			
Principal's years at school	1.0	No change	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.7 to 1	Up from 21.0 to 1	23.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.9	Down from 93.6%	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	Up from 90.4%	99.3
Character development program	Good	No change	Good
Avg. age of books / electronic media in the school library	12.0	N/A	12.9
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	15.2	N/A	17.1
Bandwidth capacity per student	>100 Mbps	N/C	N/A
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	76-100%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	1.5	N/C	1.4
District-issued technology devices per teacher	1.7	N/C	1.7
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0	Down from 4.1%	0.7
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,145	Down 11.5%	\$7,019
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.7	Up from 67.5%	62.5
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	69.0	Up from 68.0%	63.6

\* 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**

	<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Students*</b>	<b>Parents*</b>
Number of surveys returned	53	276	83
Percent satisfied with learning environment	81.2	73.9	89.1
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	81.2	71.0	83.0
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	77.4	88.1	62.7

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

**State Ratings History of School**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Absolute Rating</b>	<b>Growth Rating</b>
2014	Average	Average
2013	Average	At-Risk
2012	Good	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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