



Dewey-Carter Elementary

4937 South Irby Street
Effingham, SC 29541

Grades PK-6 Elementary School
Enrollment 778 Students
Principal Luke Matthews 843-664-8479
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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2014	Average	Average
2013	Average	Below Average
2012	Average	Average
2011	Average	Average
2010	Average	Average

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent - School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good - School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average - School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average - School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk - School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA 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.

Percent of Student SC PASS Records Matched for Purpose of Computing Growth Rating

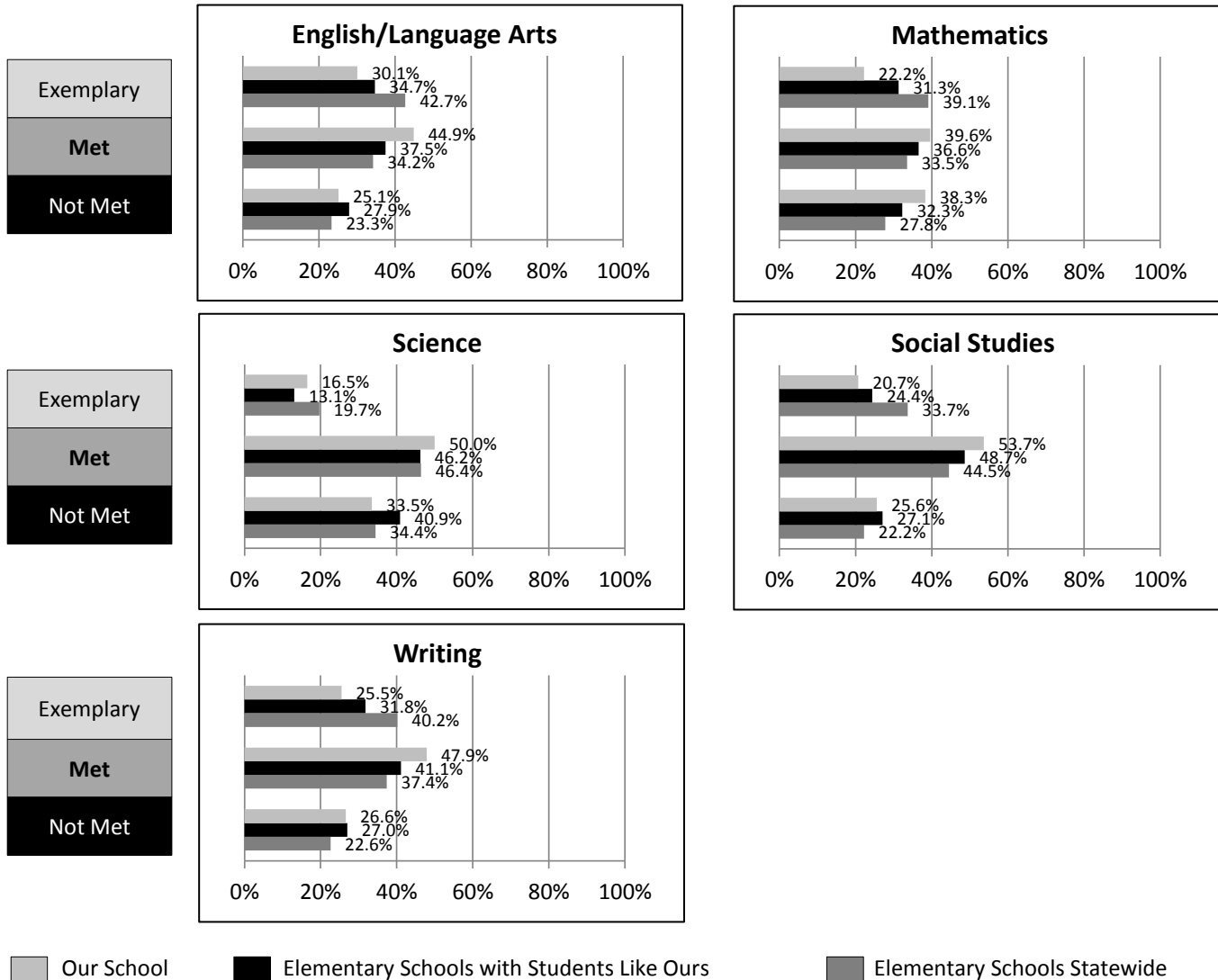
Percent of students tested in 2013-14 whose 2012-13 test scores were located 98.6%

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
13	17	107	8	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/13/2014.

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SC PASS)



* 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.

Definition of Critical Terms

Exemplary	"Exemplary" means student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	"Met" means student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	"Not Met" means that the student did not meet the grade level standard.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A-Not Applicable N/AV-Not Available N/C-Not Collected N/R-Not Reported I/S-Insufficient Sample

School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n = 778)				
1st graders who attended full-day kindergarten	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Retention Rate	2.1%	Up from 1.6%	1.4%	1.0%
Attendance Rate	95.7%	Up from 95.0%	96.0%	96.4%
Served by gifted and talented program	6.1%	Up from 5.0%	4.9%	7.3%
With disabilities	15.1%	Up from 14.8%	13.6%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	2.9%	Down from 4.2%	2.3%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 51)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	64.7%	Down from 66.7%	60.6%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	76.5%	Down from 90.2%	80.8%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.4%	Down from 92.4%	87.9%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.9%	Up from 94.6%	95.2%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,488	Up 0.5%	\$47,568	\$47,902
Professional development days/teacher	8.0 days	Down from 9.0 days	11.2 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.1 to 1	Down from 22.3 to 1	19.5 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.0%	Up from 88.3%	89.9%	90.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Good	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,629	Up 11.8%	\$7,972	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.0%	Down from 70.0%	65.9%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	68.4%	Up from 68.0%	64.9%	66.0%

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

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

This year we continue to look to new and innovative ways of addressing the mastery of standards while maintaining a balance with traditional, proven methods of instruction. We are working hard to effectively teach writing, utilizing a variety of resources to do so. We've begun a program including a new mobile lab, software and writing coach designed to transition students into effective writers. We are excited to see growth from our efforts and will continue to push forth in this effort.

With reading a priority for all students, we will continue to refine the Accelerated Reader 85% Club, Battle of the Books competition and other reading initiatives begun in previous years.

Our staff has been vigilant in staying true with the implementation of our new Everyday Math curriculum. This curriculum focuses on understanding mathematical concepts rather than simply how to "get the answer." In addition to our new curriculum, we will continue our emphasis on math by continuing with Flash Masters, professional development for teachers and incentives for students showing achievements in math.

While our teachers' focus will be on Common Core standards with data gathered through a variety of assessments, we will continue to be data-informed rather than data-driven. We are charged with educating the total child. In addition to instruction, we constantly emphasize personal character. We recognize achievements in academics, attendance and positive behavior. We offer a number of extracurricular clubs and activities including the CARE club with environmental instruction, as well as art, chorus, Beta Club and others. We partner with organizations like the National Network of Partnership Schools and local churches to strengthen community relations and participation. We recognize that our parents play a most vital role in the education of our students and encourage them to visit our website to view current lesson plans and updates on what our students are learning. We also welcome them in visiting and/or becoming a part of serving our staff and students on the school Association of Parents and Teachers (APT). The staff and community of Dewey L. Carter Elementary has accomplished much thus far, and will continue to press on for the love of children.

Luke Matthews, Principal

Wayne Gerald, School Improvement Council

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	37	83	33
Percent satisfied with learning environment	89.2%	83.1%	87.9%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.8%	80.3%	93.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	78.9%	84.4%	76.5%

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

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ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System

In July 2013, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/esea/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

Overall Weighted Points Total	79.6
Overall Grade Conversion	C

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the states' expectations.

Accountability Indicator (Title I Schools)

Dewey-Carter Elementary has been designated as a:

	Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
	Title I Reward School for Progress - one of the schools with substantial progress in school subgroups.
	Title I Focus School - one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
	Title I Priority School - one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
X	Title I School - does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
	Non-Title I School - therefore the designations above are not applicable.

Teacher Quality and Student Attendance

	Our District	State	
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.2	3.7%	
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	11.2	7.8%	
	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.9%	0.0%	No
Student attendance rate	95.7%	94.0%*	Yes
		State	
Professional qualifications of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State (Advanced Degrees)		61.9%	
Percentage of all elementary and secondary teachers in the State with emergency or provisional credentials		0.0%	

* Or greater than last year

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SC PASS Performance By Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean*	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested
Grades 3-5							
All Students	631.5	621.0	618.6	627.5	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	630.9	625.5	625.1	628.9	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	632.1	616.7	612.6	626.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	646.5	641.4	635.4	643.1	100.0	100.0	100.0
African American	617.5	603.1	604.0	611.7	100.0	100.0	100.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan Native	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	606.7	606.0	N/A	615.2	100.0	100.0	100.0
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized Meals	625.7	613.8	609.7	621.8	100.0	100.0	100.0
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0

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Two Year Elementary and Middle School Grades Trend Data

2013	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	107	638.9	100.0	107	628.8	100.0
4	99	625.5	100.0	99	618.6	100.0	
5	99	628.3	100.0	99	617.3	100.0	
6	106	624.2	100.0	106	610.1	100.0	
7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	52	620.0	100.0	55	631.9	100.0	
4	99	611.3	100.0	99	617.6	98.0	
5	47	618.3	100.0	52	604.3	100.0	
6	55	600.8	100.0	51	623.2	100.0	
7	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	
8	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/A	N/A	N/AV	

2014	Grade	SCPASS ELA			SCPASS Math		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
	3	111	631.7	100.0	111	618.6	100.0
4	115	631.0	100.0	115	621.1	100.0	
5	92	632.0	100.0	92	624.2	100.0	
6	98	620.0	100.0	98	609.2	100.0	
7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
		SCPASS Science			SCPASS Social Studies*/History		
		N	Mean	% Tested	N	Mean	% Tested
3	56	600.4	100.0	58	625.0	100.0	
4	115	616.5	100.0	115	630.5	100.0	
5	47	647.8	100.0	45	623.8	100.0	
6	50	644.2	100.0	50	640.7	100.0	
7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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NOTE: Results include the SC-ALT test.

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (District) 11/14/2014 2101019

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies*/ History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	641.9	636.4	631.0	641.0	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
Male	638.0	636.2	631.2	643.1	99.6	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	646.1	636.7	630.8	638.9	99.9	100.0	100.0	N/A
White	659.8	656.9	653.4	658.0	99.9	99.9	100.0	N/A
African American	626.2	617.7	610.8	625.3	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	668.2	683.6	661.4	672.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	642.1	640.8	629.3	642.5	99.1	100.0	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	604.9	599.9	597.5	610.4	99.1	99.7	100.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	648.2	658.8	641.2	653.3	99.3	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	629.0	620.8	614.8	627.1	99.7	99.9	100.0	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	626.1	625.8	637.2	636.9	99.3	99.3	99.3	N/A
Male	618.9	622.9	636.2	638.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	N/A
Female	633.6	628.8	638.2	635.5	99.3	99.4	99.5	N/A
White	645.5	641.7	659.0	655.1	99.6	99.6	99.6	N/A
African American	608.3	609.9	616.4	619.7	99.1	99.1	99.1	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	655.7	679.6	685.0	674.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Hispanic	632.2	630.9	639.4	645.0	98.7	98.7	100.0	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
With Disabilities	583.4	589.0	594.0	598.6	97.1	97.3	98.0	N/A
Limited English Proficient	631.1	639.6	651.1	655.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Subsidized Meals	611.1	612.8	621.3	622.2	99.0	99.0	99.3	N/A
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	228.3	218.5	79.8	74.4	99.3	99.4	100.0	80.0
Male	224.4	217.5	79.5	75.6	99.3	99.5	100.0	73.4
Female	232.3	219.5	80.0	73.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	86.4
White	238.3	229.2	86.3	78.4	99.4	99.4	100.0	85.6
African American	218.9	207.9	73.4	70.4	99.1	99.3	100.0	74.7
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	93.5	80.0	N/A	N/A	100.0	87.9
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	82.0	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	87.0
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	N/A
With Disabilities	202.5	194.3	66.1	66.9	98.4	98.4	100.0	39.2
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	84.6
Subsidized Meals	220.0	209.0	74.5	70.4	99.3	99.5	100.0	72.8
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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Performance by Group - ESEA/Federal Accountability (State) 11/14/2014 2101019

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Soc Studies* / History Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Science % Tested	Graduation Rate
Grades 3 - 5								
All Students	643.8	644.3	626.4	645.0	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Male	638.9	643.9	627.0	646.5	99.7	99.8	99.8	N/A
Female	649.0	644.6	625.8	643.4	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
White	659.5	662.7	644.4	659.5	99.8	99.9	99.8	N/A
African American	622.3	617.3	601.2	624.1	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	669.9	686.6	655.9	673.4	99.9	100.0	99.8	N/A
Hispanic	631.7	634.6	614.5	636.5	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	642.1	640.4	627.1	641.8	99.7	99.9	99.5	N/A
With Disabilities	599.3	596.5	587.6	609.2	98.9	99.5	99.5	N/A
Limited English Proficient	631.2	638.6	615.0	638.1	99.7	99.9	99.9	N/A
Subsidized Meals	627.7	625.2	609.4	628.7	99.7	99.8	99.7	N/A
Migrant	608.2	615.1	590.4	623.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	640.0	640.0	640.0	640.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 6 - 8								
All Students	627.8	632.2	634.7	637.4	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
Male	620.6	630.1	634.4	639.8	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Female	635.4	634.3	635.0	634.9	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
White	644.3	647.7	652.3	652.3	99.8	99.8	99.7	N/A
African American	604.3	608.5	608.9	615.2	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	658.5	680.2	673.0	677.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	N/A
Hispanic	617.3	625.4	625.0	630.5	99.7	99.7	99.7	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	629.4	631.2	637.2	638.3	99.9	99.8	99.7	N/A
With Disabilities	574.5	584.3	584.9	592.8	99.4	99.4	99.2	N/A
Limited English Proficient	612.5	625.8	622.5	629.8	99.6	99.7	99.8	N/A
Subsidized Meals	610.0	614.6	616.3	619.9	99.7	99.7	99.6	N/A
Migrant	586.4	606.8	600.8	607.7	98.2	98.2	100.0	N/A
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	632.0	632.0	632.0	632.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	N/A
Grades 9 - 12								
All Students	229.3	222.6	81.8	74.9	98.7	98.7	100.0	80.0
Male	225.6	222.4	81.8	75.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	75.7
Female	233.2	222.9	81.9	74.0	99.2	99.1	100.0	84.5
White	235.9	230.8	86.1	78.1	99.0	98.9	100.0	82.8
African American	219.6	209.6	75.2	69.9	98.3	98.3	100.0	76.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	240.2	245.8	89.4	80.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	88.0
Hispanic	225.1	219.4	79.5	73.5	98.9	99.0	100.0	76.9
American Indian/Alaskan	228.8	220.3	81.9	77.2	98.9	99.3	100.0	74.3
With Disabilities	204.3	196.5	68.4	66.2	96.6	96.5	100.0	43.2
Limited English Proficient	218.0	214.7	76.6	71.3	99.3	99.3	100.0	73.4
Subsidized Meals	221.1	212.6	76.8	70.8	98.3	98.2	100.0	72.5
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100.0	61.5
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	229.0	226.0	78.0	75.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	75.1

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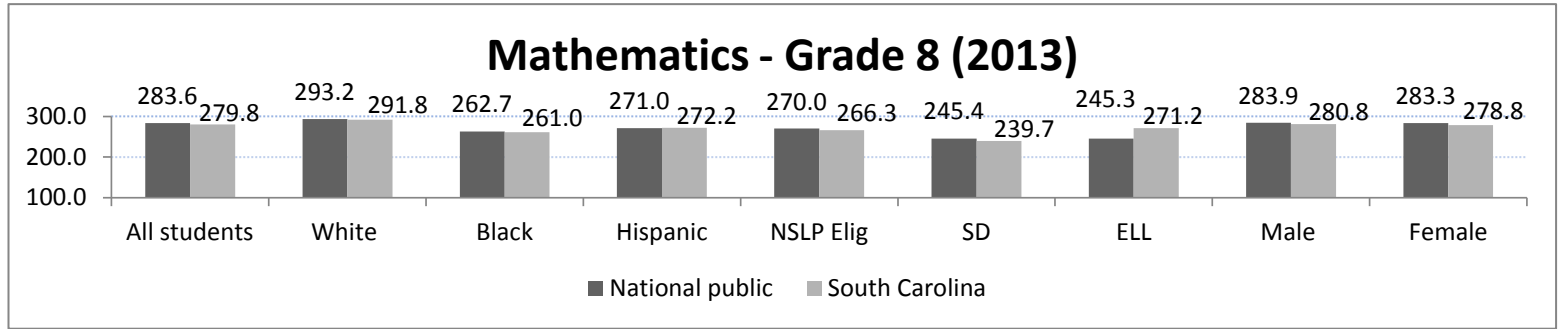
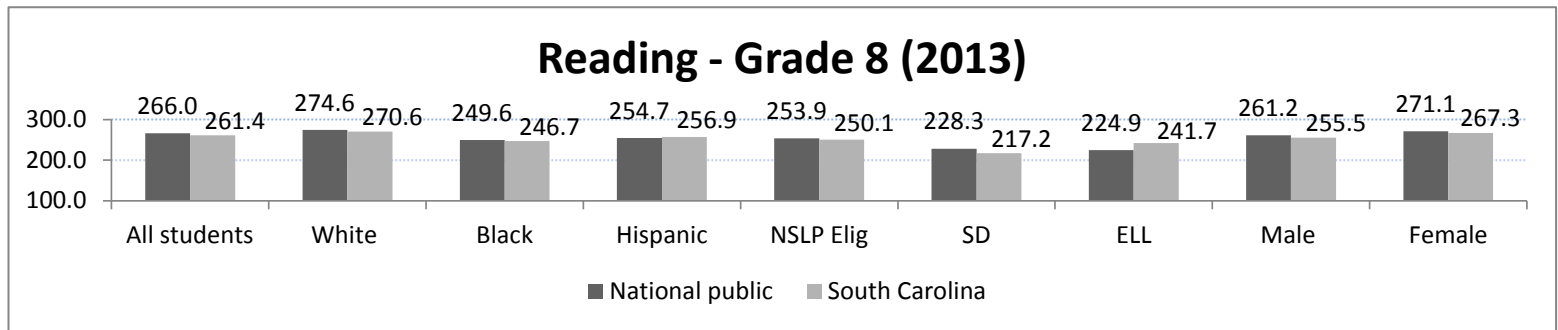
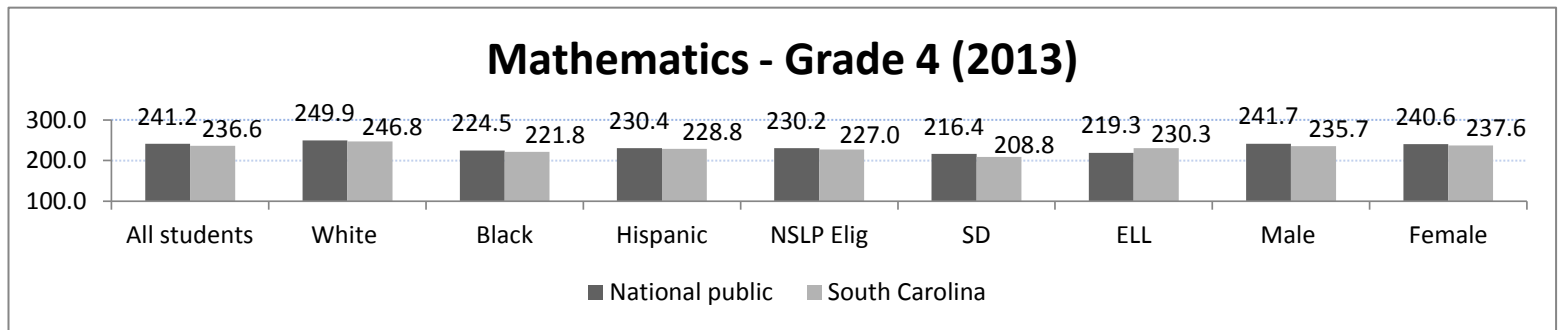
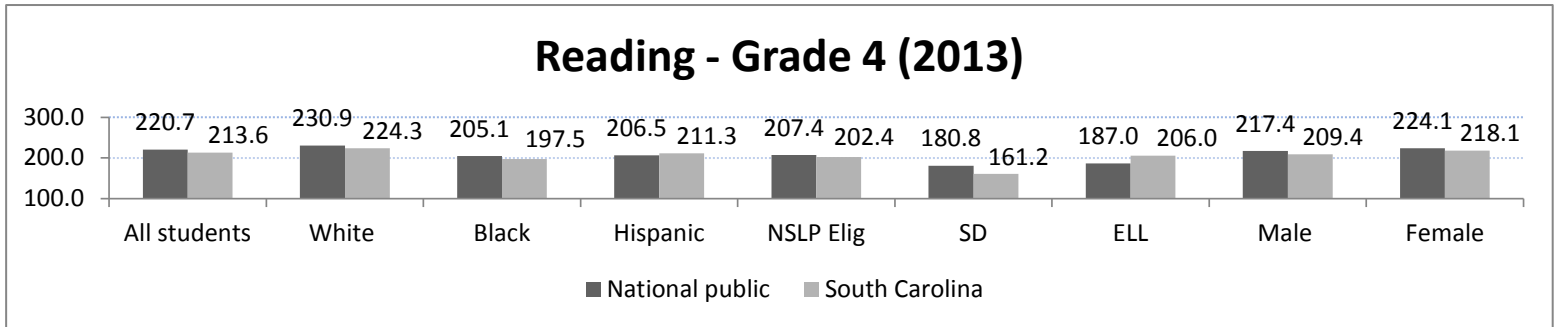
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*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.



Key	
NSLP	National school lunch program
SD	Student with disabilities
ELL	English language learner
NAEP	National Association of Education Progress

	SD Participation Rate	ELL Participation Rate
Reading, Grade 4	89.0%	96.0%
Reading, Grade 8	85.0%	96.0%
Mathematics, Grade 4	93.0%	99.0%
Mathematics, Grade 8	90.0%	95.0%

	Our School
Number of recently arrived ELL students exempted from ELA in state assessments	0

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