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Enrollment
418

Grades
PK-5

Teachers
29

McKissick Elementary is helping all students develop the world-class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate through a variety of programs and activities. Our technology, instructional programs, character education, business partners and sponsors, and family events all support our mission of "building a community of excellence" inside our school and outside in the community.

The number of iPads, chromebooks, and laptops we have available allows us to be a 1:1 school. Students are able to use these technology devices to strengthen areas of concern and challenge areas of strength in the classroom, but also in tutoring sessions held before and after school. These technology devices complement our instructional programs such as STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). STEM allows students to solve real world problems with real world items as they work with other students as a team. These activities allow our students to research, create, and share presentations. The technology we have also allows our Gifted and Talented students to create and produce a live, daily news show entitled, *The Knightly Morning News*. In Math, we use the Daily 3 framework, which allows teachers to work with groups of different sizes while other students work independently on personal math goals. In reading, we use the Daily 5 and CAFÉ framework and philosophy, which allows teachers to work with students on their levels in small guided reading groups while other students work in stations focusing on word work, writing, and reading comprehension. We use several strategies in order to develop our students' communication skills. RACE (Restate, Answer, Cite, and Explain), Say Mean Matter, and 6 + 1 Trait Writing are all programs used by our teachers to help our students become fluent in the written word. Teachers participate in national, state, district, and school level professional development to strengthen our instructional programs. This professional development covers a variety of topics that deal with the implementation of the College and Career Ready Standards as well as data analysis. Results from State level testing (SCREADY and SC PASS), MAP (Measures of Academic Progress), TE21 (Training and Education in the 21st Century), CogAT/ITBS, and classroom assessments are used to determine how to better meet the needs of our students.

Lifelong Guidelines and Lifeskills along with PBIS make up our character education program that creates positive behavioral expectations for the bus, classroom, school, and community. Our character education program is the foundation to which everything else is connected. The five guidelines (active listening, no put downs, truthfulness, trustworthiness, personal best) are the umbrella that is supported by the nineteen lifeskills that one must possess in order to demonstrate personal best. Students are rewarded for demonstrating these lifeskills daily through the selection of a Student of the Week, Student of the Month, and Peace Celebrations. Students are also recognized through our Academic Pep Rallies that are held each nine weeks to recognize those students who have earned Honor Roll and/or Perfect Attendance.

Partnerships with various organizations such as Pickens County YMCA, The Dream Center, Tropical Grille, Moe's Southwest Grill, and local churches helps to foster student achievement. The YMCA provides free-swimming lessons to our second graders, holds an afterschool program, and has several mentors that visit specific students throughout the school year. The Dream Center awards parents that attend workshops held at school with vouchers that can be used in their Santa Shoppe. They also allow the school to use their facilities whether it be for fundraisers or school events, such as Awards Night.

McKissick provides a variety of opportunities for the community to be involved and support the school. Our Fall and Spring Family Nights which focus on literacy and math are always well attended. Monthly parent workshops are offered that cover a variety of topics. Some other events that happen throughout the year are Pastries for Parents, Santa Night, Walk to School Day, and Veterans' Day Program. Two conference nights are held each year at night to provide parents with the opportunity to be a part of their child's education outside of the normal school hours. Title 1 Planning Meetings, PTO, School Improvement Council, and Volunteer Program are other ways that home-school relationships are formed.

McKissick has been recognized as a Palmetto Silver Award recipient for outstanding General Performance, a Title One Reward School for Progress winner as well as a two-time winner of the coveted Red Carpet Award. For eight straight years, McKissick has been recognized as a Safe Kids Upstate School. Our students participate in service-learning projects such as canned food drives, Relay for Life, March of Dimes, and Jump Rope for Heart.

Lon Watters once stated, "School is a building which has four walls with tomorrow inside." With a faculty that is 100% highly qualified and differentiates lessons to meet the needs of all students, we are "building a community of excellence" inside and outside our school so the tomorrow inside our building, becomes the brighter future we create today.

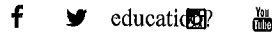
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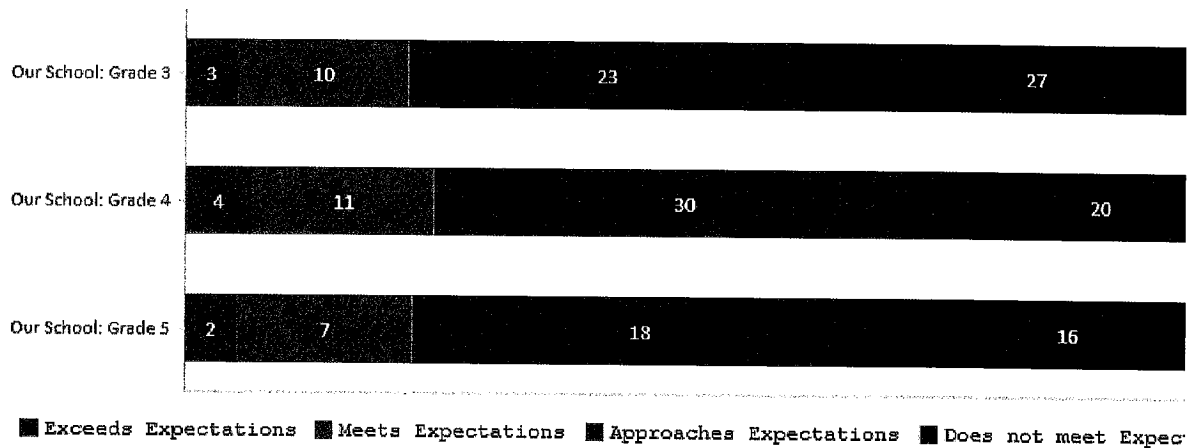
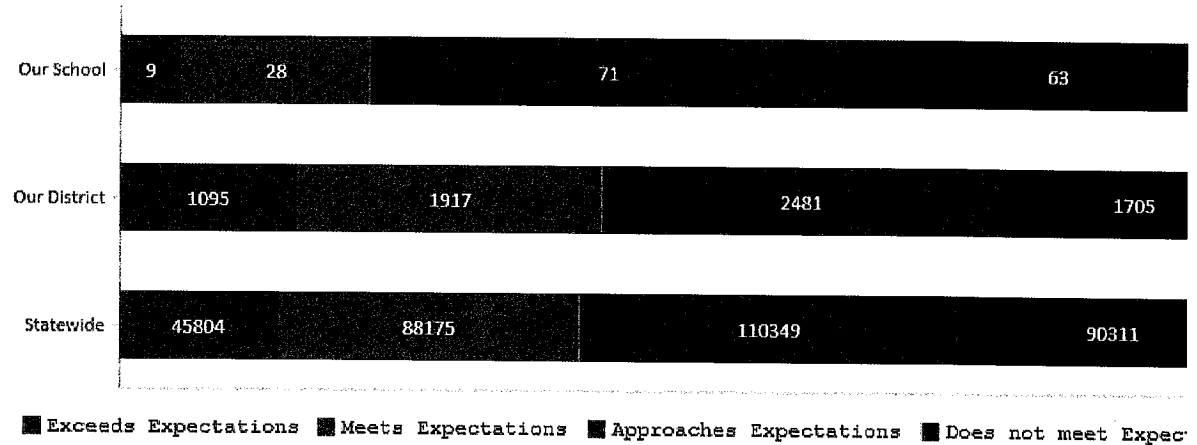
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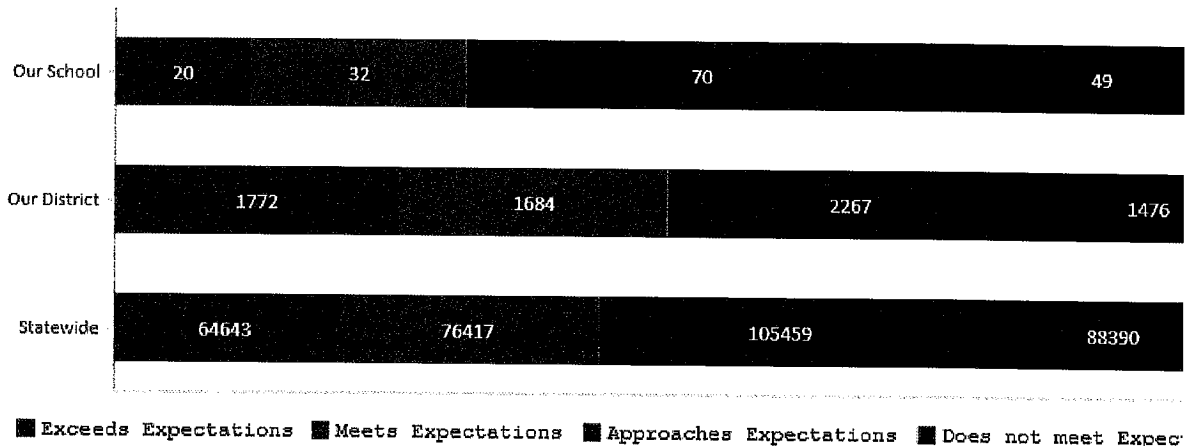
South Carolina College-and Career-Ready Assessments (SC READY)

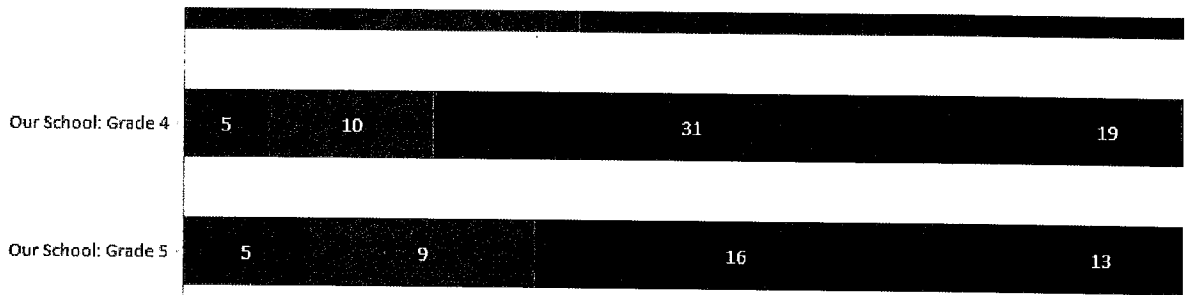
The South Carolina College-and Career-Ready(SC READY) assessment was given to students in grades 3-8 in Spring 2017. Students were assessed in the subject areas of English and Mathematics.

English



Mathematics





Exceeds Expectations
 Meets Expectations
 Approaches Expectations
 Does not meet Expectations

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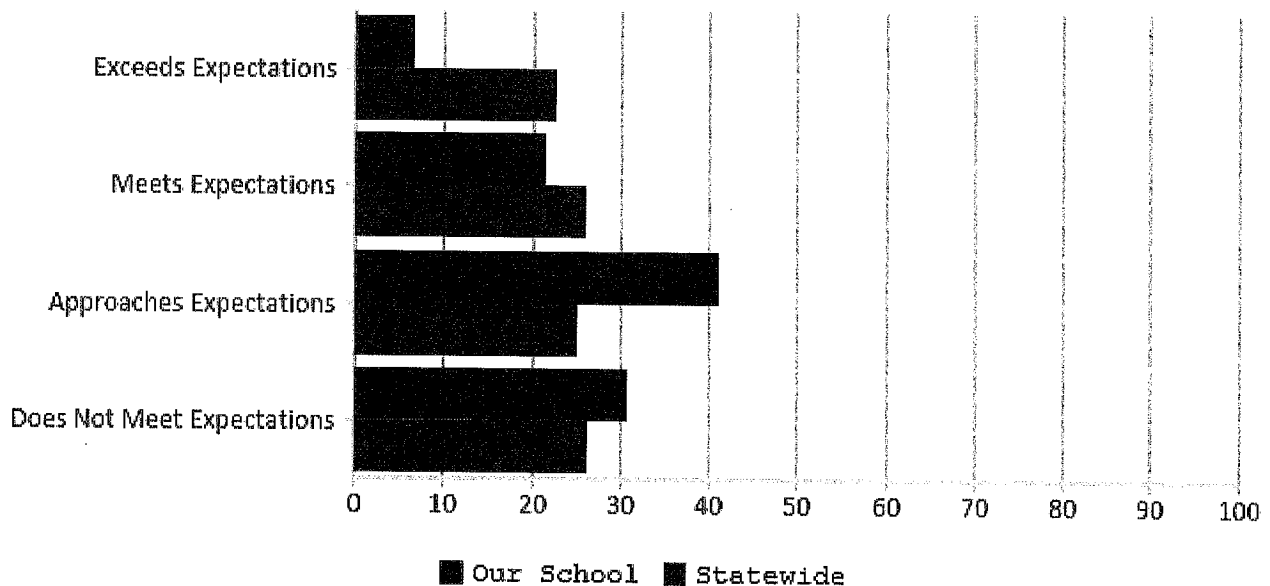
SC Ready▼

SCPASS▼

SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS)

The SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) was given to students in grades 4 - 8 in Spring 2017. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Science and Social Studies.

Science

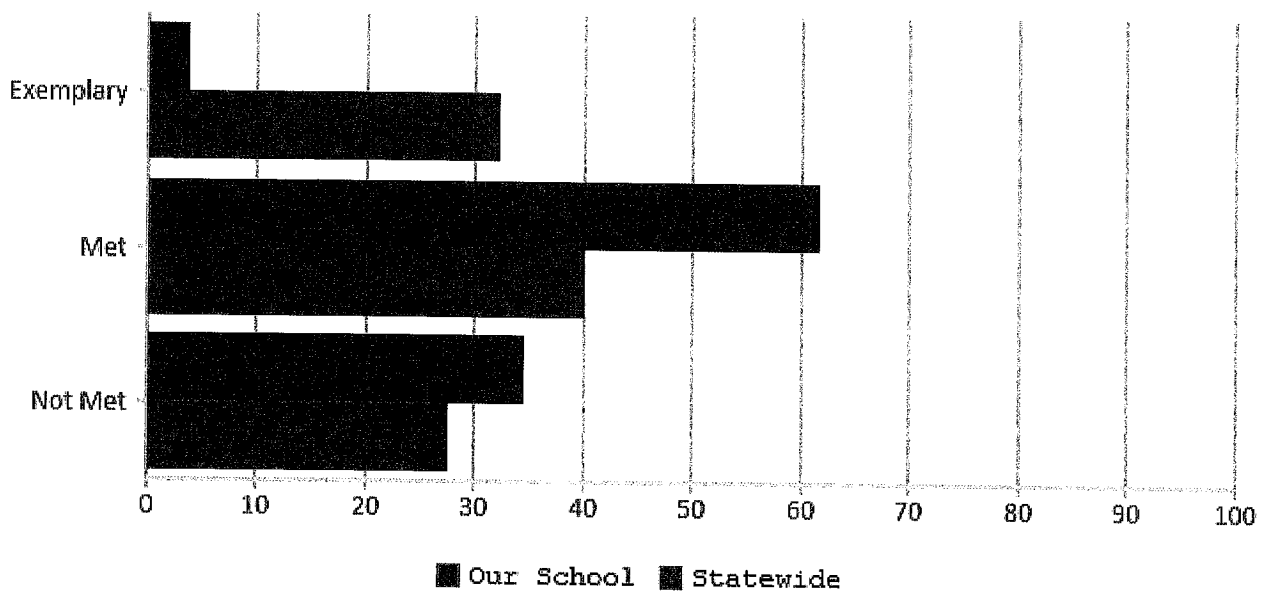


Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level

4th Grade 5th Grade

21.9 37.2

Social Studies



Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level

4th Grade 5th Grade

73.4 53.5

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