

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADE
Southwest Middle, Gastonia

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 Gastonia, NC 28052
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Grade Range: 6-8

Regular School

Traditional Calendar

Gaston County Schools

<http://www.gaston.k12.nc.us/schools/southwest/index.htm>

Title I

Achievement Indicators	Score
Reading EOG Proficiency	38
Math EOG Proficiency	27
Science EOG Proficiency	53
Biology Proficiency	.
Math I Proficiency	85

Growth Status
Met

	Score	Grade
Achievement	37	
Growth	71.3	
School Performance	44	D
EOG Reading	47	D
EOG Math	36	F

Formula for determining the School Performance Grade:

- 80 percent of the School Performance Grade is based on the school achievement score. The school achievement score is calculated using a composite method based on the points earned by a school on all of the tests measured for that school
- 20 percent of the School Performance Grade is based on academic growth
- If a school has met expected growth and inclusion of the school's growth score reduces the school's performance score and grade, a school may choose to use the school achievement score solely to calculate the performance score and grade

A+NG Schools: A+NG schools earned a score of 85-100 and do not have significant achievement or graduation gaps.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADING SCALE	
Grade Range	Letter Grade
85-100	A
70-84	B
55-69	C
40-54	D
Below 40	F

SCHOOL PROFILE

School Size: The total number of students in this school and the average number of students in schools with similar grade ranges at the district and state levels.

Our School	854
District	646
State	659

Average Class Size: The average number of students enrolled in the "typical" K-8 classroom.

	Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
Our School							22	28	26
Our District							24	25	25
State							22	22	22

* Legislation mandates that class sizes for grades 4-12 are not restricted.

School Attendance: The average percentage of students who attend school daily.

Our School	94.4%
District	94.2%
State	95.1%

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests: Percentage of Students at **Level 1** (**Limited Command** of knowledge and skills)

LEVEL 1	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	29.0%	48.2%	28.3%
District	25.8%	29.8%	20.6%
State	21.6%	24.9%	16.5%

N/A = Fewer than 5% of students

Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests: Percentage of Students at **Level 2** (**Partial Command** of knowledge and skills)

LEVEL 2	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	33.2%	24.6%	18.9%
District	24.9%	26.3%	17.2%
State	22.1%	22.8%	14.6%

N/A = Fewer than 5% of students

Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests: Percentage of Students at **Level 3** (**Sufficient Command** of knowledge and skills)
Students performing at Level 3 are performing at grade level.

LEVEL 3	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	10.2%	6.1%	11.4%
District	11.0%	8.1%	11.8%
State	11.2%	8.1%	9.7%

N/A = Fewer than 5% students

Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests: Percentage of Students at **Level 4** (**Solid Command** of knowledge and skills)
Students scoring at Level 4 meet NC Standard for College-and Career-Readiness and are performing at or above grade level.

LEVEL 4	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	23.6%	15.5%	36.2%
District	31.4%	25.3%	38.3%
State	34.7%	28.3%	41.5%

N/A = Fewer than 5% of students

Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests: Percentage of Students at **Level 5** (**Superior Command** of knowledge and skills)
Students scoring at Level 5 meet NC Standard for College-and Career-Readiness and are performing at or above grade level.

LEVEL 5	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	N/A	5.6%	5.2%
District	6.9%	10.4%	12.1%
State	10.4%	15.8%	17.7%

N/A = Fewer than 5% of students

FIVE ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS

LEVEL 1: Limited Command of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: NO
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

LEVEL 2: Partial Command of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: NO
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

LEVEL 3: Sufficient Command of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

LEVEL 4: Solid Command of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: YES

LEVEL 5: Superior Command of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: YES

What does this achievement level number mean?

Students scoring at Levels 1 and 2 will likely need additional help next year to succeed in that subject area. Students scoring at Level 3 are considered proficient for that grade level or course, but may still need some targeted help in the next grade or course. Students scoring at Levels 4 and 5 are ready for the next grade or course, and are also on a path to be prepared for college or a career by the time they graduate.

The reading and math End-of-Grade tests are administered in grades 3-8. The science End-of-Grade tests are administered in grades 5 and 8 only.

Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs): Per the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), North Carolina set AMOs based on 2012-2013 data. Targets can be viewed at www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/reporting.

Our school met 32 out of 54 targets.

QUALITY TEACHERS

	Total Number of Classroom Teachers*	Fully Licensed Teachers	Teachers with Advanced Degrees	National Board Certified Teachers*	Years of Teaching Experience			Teacher Turnover Rate
					0-3 years	4-10 years	10+ years	
Our School	49	81.6%	18.4%	2	34.7%	24.5%	40.8%	23.4%
District	38	89.7%	22.7%	3	49.3%	31.1%	19.6%	17.7%
State	42	92.7%	28.8%	6	24.4%	26.1%	49.5%	16.3%

* The total number of teachers in this school and the average number of teachers in schools with similar grade ranges at the district and state level.

Highly Qualified Teachers:
Percentage of classes taught by Highly Qualified teachers as defined by federal law.

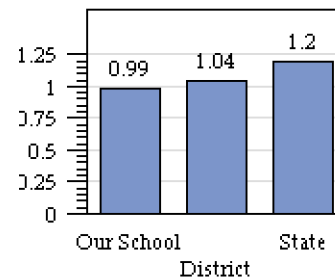
Our School	
District	
State	

SAFE, ORDERLY AND CARING SCHOOLS

School Safety: The number of criminal acts reported per 100 students. Criminal acts include all acts occurring in school, on a school bus, on school grounds, or during off-campus, school-sponsored activities.

Our School	0
District	0.38
State	0.87

Access to Technology: The Number of Students per Internet-Connected Digital Learning Device



On this measure, smaller numbers are better than larger numbers; there are more computers available to students when the number of students per computer is low.

READ TO ACHIEVE

The Read to Achieve program is a part of the Excellent Public Schools Act which became law in July of 2012 and applies to all schools at the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year. The goal of the State is to ensure that every student reads at or above grade level by the end of third grade. Students who are proficient on the 3rd-grade EOG or qualify for a "good cause exemption" are promoted to Grade 4. Students who are not proficient may be retained in 3rd grade or placed in 4th grade with extra reading instruction and interventions.

	PROMOTED TO GRADE 4		RETAINED	
	# of students	Percentage	# of Students	Percentage
Our School				
District				
State				

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