



Woodland Elementary

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<u>VISION:</u> Woodland, where we empower leaders every day in every way. <u>MISSION:</u> Our Woodland community will inspire others to lead in an inclusive environment through honoring

diversity

and encouraging our stakeholders to become global leaders, who will leave a legacy of leadership.

Katrina Miller, Principal Richard Dixon, SIC Chairman Chris Phillips, Assistant Principal Nurit' Sexton, Assistant Principal Allison Bethea, Administrative Assistant

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Woodland Elementary School is fully accredited by the *AdvancED Accreditation Commission* and proudly serves a total of 1338 students in grades pre-kindergarten through fifth that represent 40 various countries. We are currently the largest elementary school in Greenville County Schools with a poverty index of 47.5% (according to the most recent data from the SC State Department of Education). Due to the growth of our student population, the Woodland Elementary School Renovation and Addition Project will begin in May 2024 and will be completed in July 2025. We are excited about the addition of approximately 38,000 square feet that will include 25 classrooms and new educational support spaces. This project includes the expansion of the existing car loop and parking lot and an expanded cafeteria and serving lines.

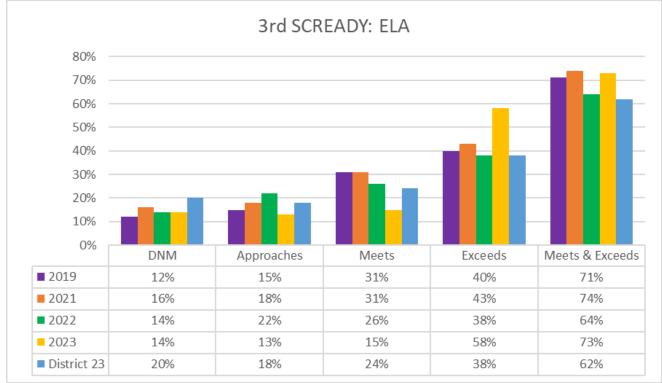
All members of our professional teaching staff are 'highly qualified' and well prepared for the positions they hold. Six of our teachers are National Board Certified and 43 teachers hold a *Master's Degree* or higher. Our teachers work diligently to arrange experiences that engage students in creative, rigorous, standards-based learning experiences that enable them to achieve to their highest potential. In addition to providing a rigorous state standards-based pre-k through fifth grade curriculum and utilizing research-based best practices throughout our instructional program, Woodland continues to promote student achievement through the integration of technology and the arts. Our staff regularly analyze common formative and summative assessment data to make necessary adjustments to our instructional strategies that support success for every student while meeting the unique learning needs of our children. As a Leader in Me Lighthouse School, leadership is embedded in all areas of school life and strengthens students' abilities to lead and take responsibility, evaluate their own progress, set goals, and make plans to achieve these goals. Our students also demonstrate continuous progress academically, participate confidently, and contribute meaningfully with ideas and opportunities that matter not only to them but to our school. Students have developed leadership "soft skills" in the academic setting and are now applying them in other aspects of their lives. As a school, we continue to see our students grow and develop the necessary self-confidence skills and attitudes to be successful leaders of the 21st century.

We are extremely proud of the academic achievement growth our students have made in past years and continue to make. We are most appreciative of the continued dedication of our teachers, staff, students, and parents in their efforts to meet the developmental and academic needs of each child. Woodland students consistently perform higher than other Greenville County Schools on state assessment measures. Moving forward, our challenge is to continue to refine our implementation of rigorous grade level standards and effective instructional strategies to sustain our progress and meet the unique learning needs of our children as we continue to increase student achievement. *A summary of our most recent student achievement data is included in this report.*

Our Parent –Teacher Association (PTA), School Improvement Council (SIC), and Parent Lighthouse are involved in essential aspects of Woodland. These organizations continually explore innovative ways to recruit and retain parents and volunteers. We believe that utilizing the skills, talents, and abilities of our parents and community volunteers further enhance the effectiveness of our school program. Creating an environment and providing opportunities that welcome and engage parents as partners are key components of our continued success. The financial support, commitment to volunteerism, and creative problem-solving abilities of our parents and volunteers that would not be possible otherwise. Our PTA, through fund-raisers, recently purchased a new playground for our 3rd-5th grade students. The playground that was recently installed consists of a large playground set, swings, and a climber that will be installed over the summer.

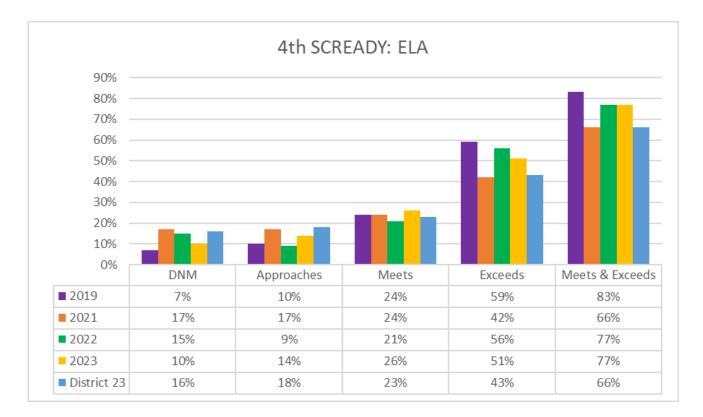
As a school family, we share a vision and belief that every child can achieve to his or her maximum potential if provided with a rigorous standards-based academic program, quality leadership opportunities, targeted support, consistent encouragement, and love. We remain fully committed to that vision.

Summary of Student Performance Data

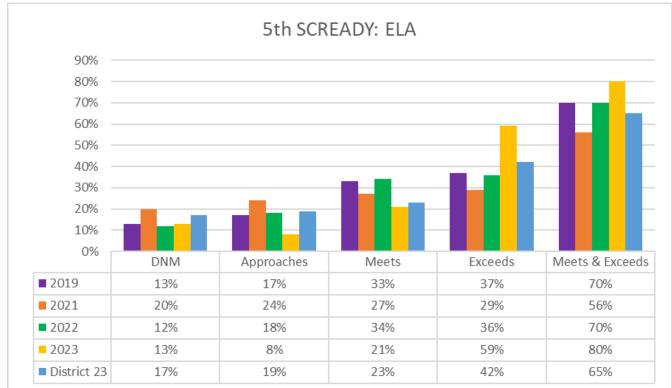


Third Grade: SC Ready ELA

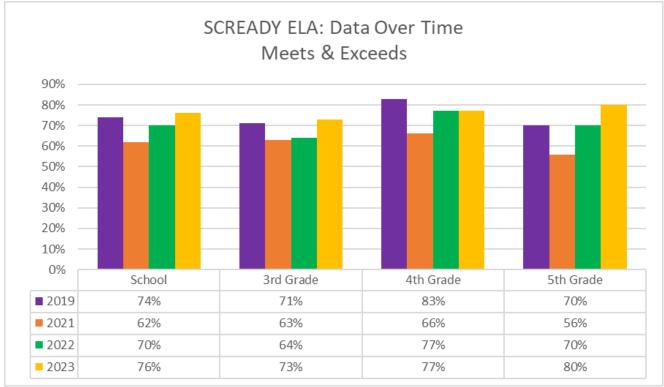
Fourth Grade: SC Ready ELA



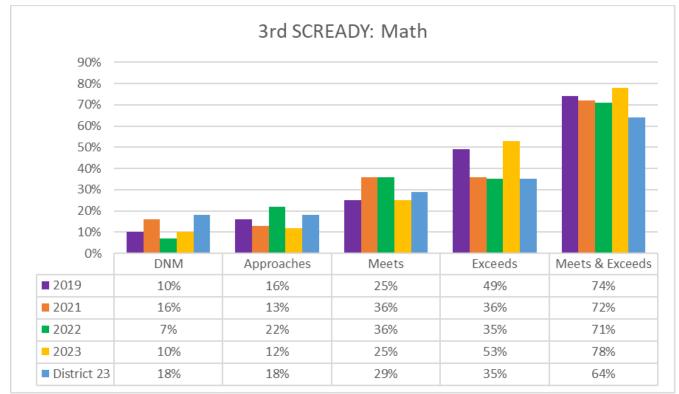
Fifth Grade: SC Ready ELA



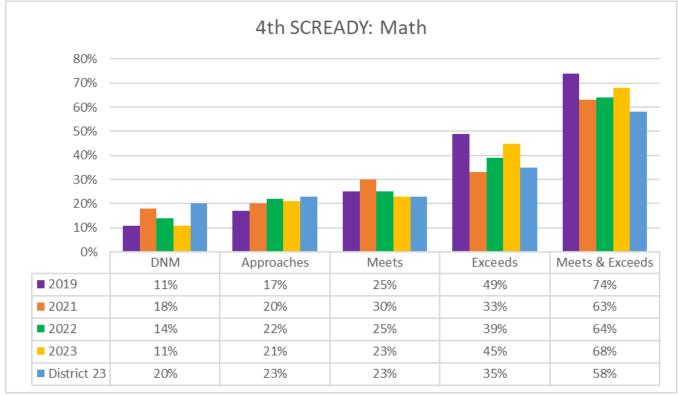
Woodland SC Ready ELA: Data Over Time



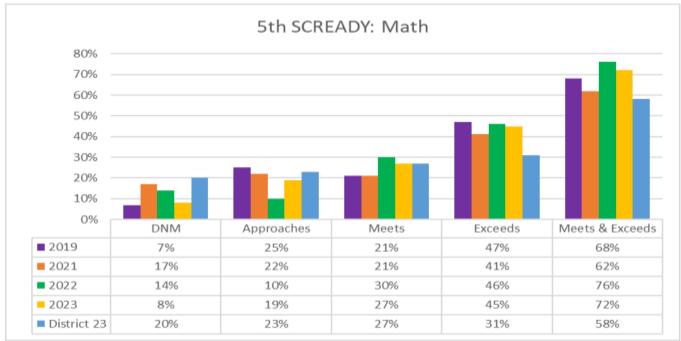
Third Grade: SC Ready Math

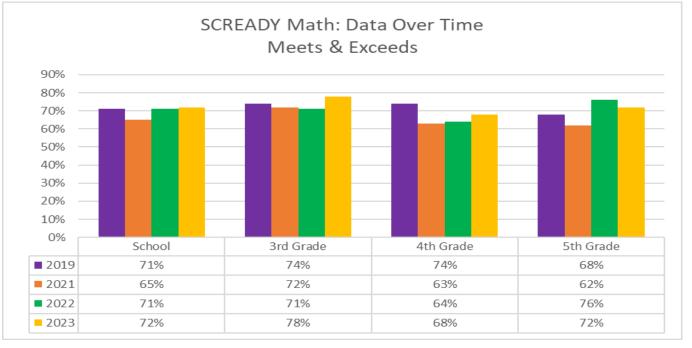


Fourth Grade: SC Ready Math



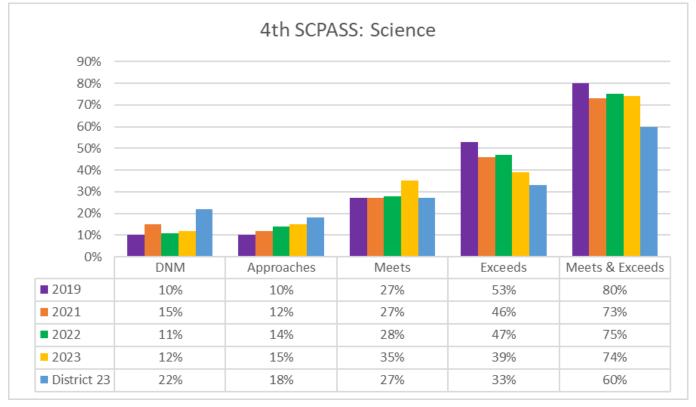
Fifth Grade: SC Ready Math





Woodland SC Ready Math: Data Over Time

Woodland SC PASS Science-4th Grade



Awards and Honors
Fully accredited by AdvancED Accreditation Commission 2018-2023
Palmetto's Finest School 2020
Excellent Report Card Ratings: 2009-2015, 2018, 2019, 2022,2023
Palmetto Gold Ranking: 2017-2018, 2018-2019
Palmetto's Finest Finalist-2020
SchoolDigger-ranked 43 rd out of 625 elementary schools in South Carolina (2023-2024))
Became an official The Leader in Me school- Fall 2014
Achieved "Lighthouse School" status with <i>The Leader in Me</i> - Spring 2017, recertified 2019, recertified 2022, recertified 2024
Leader In Me-recognized as an Academic School of Distinction: 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024
43 Teachers with Advanced Degrees
6 National Board Certified Teachers
National R.A.M.P Award-2013 to present (Recognized American School Counseling Model Program)
SC Junior BETA Club Convention Results: State Winners 2015-2024/National Winners 2016-2018
MUSC Project Adam Heart Safe School Honor awarded to WES First Responder team-2024

Woodland received the prestigious honor of being named a Palmetto's Finest School in the spring of 2020. We are proud of the hard work and dedication of our students, staff, and parents. We believe that our academic achievement is correlated to our students taking ownership of their learning by setting WIGS (Wildly Important Goals) for mathematical and personal growth by tracking their progress and celebrating their success.

We continue to utilize our one-to-one technology in kindergarten through fifth grade to provide our students with a variety of educational experiences that support student-centered learning. Our teachers continue to dissect data available through MasteryConnect, Mastery View Predictive Assessments (MVPA), and formative and summative assessments to meet the individual needs of our students. We continue to look at the needs of the "whole child." Through the support of our parents, PTA, community partners, and student leaders we are able to provide students with additional support through our Backpack Meals (Bella's Bags), mentors, school supplies, small group counseling, tutoring programs, etc.

We continue to focus on strengthening and expanding our parent and community outreach and involvement through hosting the following events during a typical school year: Meet the Teacher, Open House, Leadership Day, Mother/Son Daddy/Daughter dance, All Arts Event, Senior Graduation Walk, Parent Leadership Nights, chorus and drum performances, Boosterthon Fun Run, PTA Spring Carnival, etc. As a member of the Greer Chamber of Commerce, Woodland Elementary continues to look for opportunities to give back to other schools and our community. This year, our student leaders collected food for the local food banks, collaborated with Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) Toy Drive to collect over 500 toys for children in Greenville County, provided holiday gift stockings to children in the hospital, collected soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House, delivered 350 Mugs of Sunshine to Meal on Wheels recipients, and provided supplies to local animal shelters. We continue to be amazed at the generosity of our children and families.

As the 2023-2024 school year comes to a close, I am thankful for the support that I continue to receive as Principal of Woodland Elementary School from the students, faculty & staff, parents, and community members. I am honored to serve as the Principal of Woodland Elementary, and I am excited about our school's future.

Yours in serving children,

Katrina Miller, Principal "Lead by Serving Others" BETA Club motto

Richard Dixon, Chairman, School Improvement Council





