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Annual School Improvement Council Report to the Parents 2016-2017

**Cowpens
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School**



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About Us

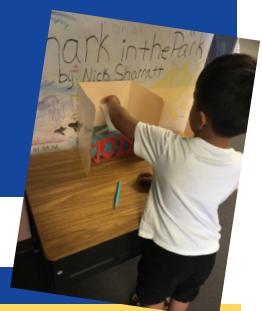
Cowpens Elementary School is truly a community school. It is not uncommon to see the majority of the town's residents turn out for our fall festival. Cowpens big event each year is the Mighty Moo Festival where past and current crew members from the USS Cowpens are welcomed back for a celebration. The school annually hosts the Mighty Moo Crew dinner.

The total enrollment of the school, which has steadily risen over the last several years, is currently 420. Fifty students are enrolled in the ESOL program. Academic ATLAS and Music and Art ATLAS allow us to serve our gifted and talented students. HeadStart is housed in our building to serve at-risk three and four year olds from our community.

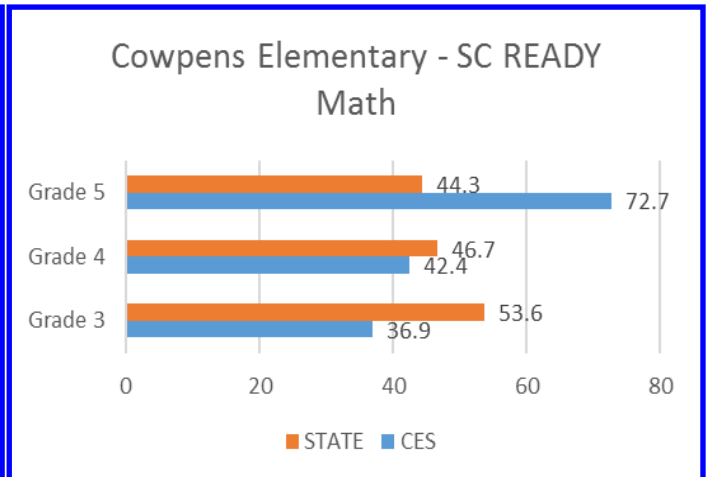
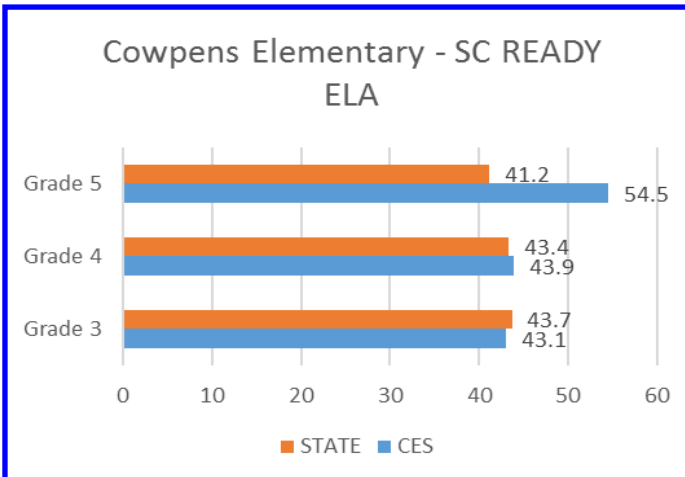
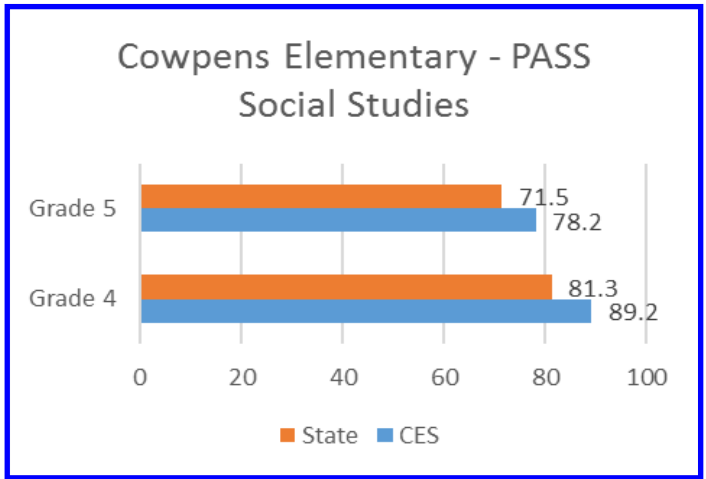
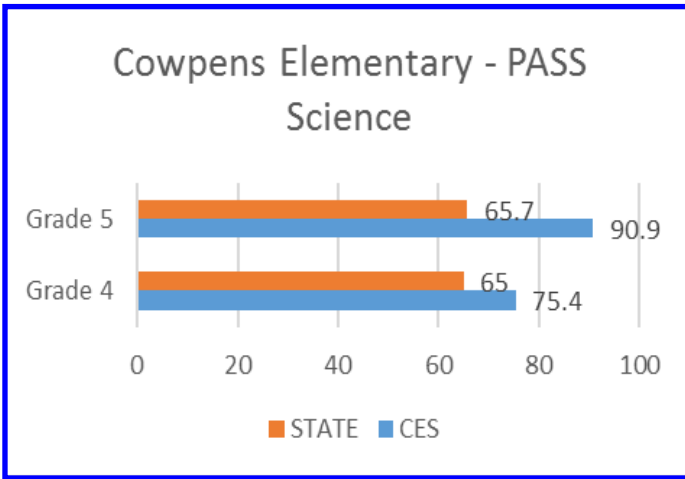
A faculty and staff who is ALL IN for every child, a motivated student body, and a supportive community make Cowpens Elementary School the ideal place for children to gain world class knowledge and skills and to develop life and career goals.

Purpose of Report

The Annual School Improvement Council Report to the Parents is issued by Cowpens Elementary School in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the School Improvement Council, and other accomplishments during the school year.



Our mission, in Spartanburg School District Three, is to provide experiences and teach world class skills and values which empower all children to achieve their fullest potential.



- Students in grades K-5 must meet world class standards to function in the 21st century.
- World class standards are measured by performance on the following criteria areas:
 - ⇒ 90% of 5K students will score on Level 3 independent of DRA at the end of the year.
 - ⇒ 90% of students will read on grade level as indicated by the Fountas and Pinnell Reading Assessment.
 - ⇒ 90% of students will score approaching or better on SCReady ELA Assessment.
 - ⇒ 90% of students will score approaching or better on SCReady Math Assessment.
 - ⇒ 90% of students will score met/exemplary in PASS Social Studies Assessment.
 - ⇒ 90% of students will score met/exemplary in PASS Science Assessment.
- 100% of staff will demonstrate excellence in job performance as demonstrated by 100% growth in SLOs meeting growth targets.
- 100% of staff will rate satisfactory or better on district performance evaluation.
- 100% of parents and students will indicate satisfaction with the school learning environment and feel the school is safe as indicated by annual surveys.



- Received the Palmetto Gold Award in recognition of significant gains in student achievement and the Palmetto Silver Award for closing the achievement gap.
- Received the 2016 Bronze National Healthy Schools Award for our efforts toward making our school a healthier place for students, faculty and staff.
- Students read 49,351 books this year which earned them 1146 free books.
- Student council provided meals for families and our Southern Signers Club made and delivered over 350 Easter baskets for the elderly. Students and teachers worked together to raise over \$8,100 for Relay for Life and the American Cancer Society.
- Faculty members received grants from DonorsChoose, SCIRA and the SC Council of Teachers of Mathematics to enhance the learning in their classrooms.
- Students in grades 3-5 received lifesaving CPR training.

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