



**Northside Elementary School of the Arts**  
**Accomplishments and Enrichment**

- Creative Ticket National School of Distinction
- School of Choice for Rock Hill Schools 2012-2013
- Arts Integration focus
- Weekly Arts Explorers elective classes for all K-5 students
- Yearly grade-level productions
- Terrific Kids
- Year End Awards Day
- Birthday Celebrations
- Attendance Incentives
- Young Authors' Conference
- Safety Patrol
- Artists in Residences for every grade
- Arts Integration Night
- After School Strings and Guitar Lessons
- ABC School Site since 2001 (Arts in Basic Curriculum)
- Distinguished Arts Program School
- Help Us Go Green Club (or HUGG club)
- South Carolina Healthy School—four time winner
- Literacy Spot Award
- SC READS School
- School of Promise Award
- Red Carpet Award
- Palmetto Gold & Silver Award Winning School

**Northside Elementary**  
**School of the Arts**  
**Fast Facts**

**Student Enrollment**  
512 Students

**School Report**  
2011-2012 Improvement Rating  
Good  
2011-2012 Absolute Rating  
Average

**Palmetto Gold/Silver Recognition**  
2010-2011: Silver for General Academic Performance  
2011-2012: Silver for General Academic Performance & Gold for Closing the Achievement Gap

**School Rating**  
2011-2012 School Rating A

**National Board Certified Teachers**



**Northside Elementary**  
**School of the Arts**  
**School Summary Report**  
2012-2013

“Engaging Students in and Through the Arts for Successful Futures”

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Northside Elementary School of the Arts

**Our Motto**

Engaging Students in and Through the Arts  
for Successful Futures

**Our Mission**

Northside Elementary School of the Arts provides all students with challenging work that authentically engages them in the learning process and prepares them for successful futures using the arts to enhance the quality of their lives and life in the community.

**Facts**

- Enrollment: 512 students
- School of Choice for Rock Hill Schools
  - Arts Integration
- Arts in the Basic Curriculum Site
  - Grades 5K-5<sup>th</sup>
- School Colors: Gold and Navy
- Logo: Explorer's Compass

- School Theme: "Explore Learning One Adventure at a Time"
  - Student Council
  - Hummingbird Garden
  - Junior Achievement
- Full Visual and Performing Arts Specialists (drama, dance, visual arts, and music)
  - 22 Business Partners
- Over \$300,000 awarded in Arts Grants over the last 11 years



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**Schoolwide SIC Program Summary**

1. Involving students and parents in a project with a focus on a healthy environment as well as the development of an outdoor performance space.
  - Third through fifth grade students participated in the Help Us Go Green Club. (HUGG club)
  - Through a partnership with the local business community, an outdoor performance space was planned.
2. Continued implementation of School of Choice Program

- Developing ideas and ways to share the theme of Northside with the entire community
- Parent volunteers who served as greeters/tour guides at school of choice open house and welcome breakfast

3. Collaborate with SC Safe Routes to School for our students who walk to school
  - Participated in the SC & National Walk to School Day
  - The school participated in a comprehensive review and developed a Safe Routes Travel Plan. This was done in conjunction with school, district, city, and state officials.



Standardized Testing Results

**Third Grade PASS 2011-2012**

	Not Met	Met	Exemplary
ELA	24.6	28.1	47.4
Math	14.3	39.3	46.4
Science	53.6	21.4	25
Social Studies	31	37.9	31

### Fourth Grade PASS 2011-2012

	Not Met	Met	Exemplary
ELA	29.8	40.4	29.8
Math	14.3	39.3	46.4
Science	33.3	61.4	5.3
Social Studies	24.6	66.7	8.8

### Fifth Grade PASS 2011-2012

	Not Met	Met	Exemplary
Writing	31.4	37.1	31.4
ELA	20.3	44.9	34.8
Math	21.7	50.7	27.5
Science	29.4	41.2	29.4
Social Studies	14.3	51.4	34.3