

# SCHOOL REPORT CARD

2004-2005

-Commonwealth of Kentucky-

## Spencer County Elementary School

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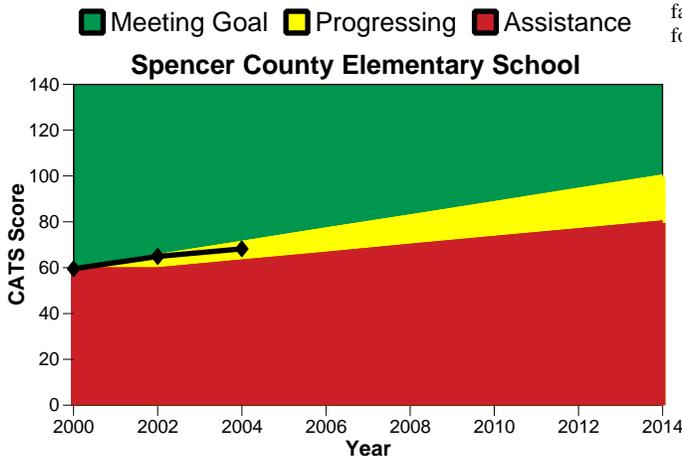


### Dear Parents/Guardians:

Here is our school's report card for the 2004-2005 school year. This report card is full of important information, including academic performance, teacher qualifications, our learning environment, and much more. Please take a moment to learn more about our school. For a more detailed look at our school, please contact us to see our Expanded Report Card on file at school, which includes more information than we can provide here.

### The School Growth Chart:

To see how we're performing, please take a moment to examine our growth chart. This chart starts with our school's baseline CATS score from 2000. We've drawn a goal line from that starting point to our goal of 100 in 2014. Every two years a new index point will be marked on the chart to show whether we are meeting our goal and earning rewards, progressing but short of our goal, or falling far short of our goal and eligible for state assistance. Over time, these points will form a performance trend line for our school.



Year	Goal Line	Assistance Line	Index
2000	59		59.5
2002	64.8	59	64.9
2004	70.6	62.4	68.2
2006	76.4	65.8	
2008	82.1	69.3	
2010	87.9	72.7	
2012	93.7	76.1	
2014	99.5	79.5	
Standard Error: 0.5			

### About Our School

SCES served all Spencer County students who were kindergarten - Grade 4 during 2004-05. Beginning with the 2005-06 school year, SCES now serves K-5th grade students with a student enrollment of 715. Kindergarten is full day in 2005-06. Students are grouped in multi-age, multi-ability classrooms for 1st/2nd grades and 3rd/4th grades. Professional development is focused on working on the work (WOW) where teachers together design engaging work for students utilizing the ten design qualities. The Lifelong Guidelines - trustworthiness, truthfulness, active listening, no put downs, and personal best - are taught and embedded in daily expectations. A caring, dedicated staff along with involved parents make SCES a great place for learning.

### How Our School Ensures Educational Equity

High academic standards are maintained for all students. Individual student progress is monitored through the DRA, Think Link Learning (PAS) Assessments, and on-going CATS-like classroom assessments. Structures are in place to provide all struggling students with the needed support for success. Some of these interventions include: Great Leaps reading program, before-school and during school extra support and tutoring, and a summer academy. All students have equal access to the curriculum through collaboration.

**School Enrollment (end of year membership 2004-2005): 922**

## How Our Students Perform

Kentucky uses the Commonwealth Accountability Testing System (CATS) to hold schools accountable for student progress. CATS has three parts: the Kentucky Core Content Tests, the national Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills (CTBS/5), and other measures of the school's performance, including attendance, retention and dropout rates. Together these three elements make up a school's CATS Performance Score for every two-year period.

### Kentucky Core Content Tests

Kentucky's tests rate student performance using four categories: Novice, Apprentice, Proficient, and Distinguished. These categories translate into a scale of 0-140, with 100 being considered proficient. The state goal for all schools is 100 by the year 2014. This chart compares our school's performance with all the schools in our district and all the schools in Kentucky.

KCCT Test	Novice			Apprentice			Proficient/Distinguished			Academic Index		
	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State
Reading 4th	12%	12%	11%	22%	22%	22%	66%	66%	68%	85.7	85.7	87.1
Science 4th	5%	5%	6%	45%	45%	40%	50%	50%	54%	86.2	86.2	87.6
Writing 4th	8%	8%	8%	58%	58%	48%	34%	34%	43%	71.4	71.4	74.9
Mathematics 5th	36%	36%	25%	32%	32%	30%	32%	32%	45%	64.2	64.2	74.4
Social Studies 5th	27%	27%	21%	37%	38%	27%	36%	36%	53%	68	68	79.3
Arts & Humanities 5th	44%	44%	30%	35%	35%	37%	21%	21%	32%	51	51	62.8
PL/VS 5th	22%	21%	14%	26%	27%	23%	52%	52%	63%	74.5	74.5	84.9

The goal is that by 2014 nearly all students will score proficient or distinguished.

### National Norm Referenced Test

The national norm referenced test used in Kentucky, the CTBS/5, measures the basic skills of our students while allowing us to compare their performance with national benchmarks established in 1996. These scores are reported in percentiles. A percentile shows the percentage of students who fell below a particular score on the test. For example, a percentile of 60 would show that the average student in our school scored equal to or better than 60 percent of all students who took the test.

National Norm Referenced Test (CTBS/5)	School	District	State	Nation
End of Primary (EOP) Reading	75% ile	75% ile	65% ile	50% ile
EOP Language Arts	67% ile	67% ile	62% ile	50% ile
EOP Mathematics	81% ile	81% ile	67% ile	50% ile

### Other Measures

The final component of CATS is our school's performance in Attendance, Retention, Dropout, Graduation and Transition to Adult Life, where appropriate. (The Retention Rate is the percent of students who were not academically ready to go on to the next grade and had to repeat the grade.) Data in these tables reflect our performance during the 2003-2004 school year.

	Attendance Rate	Retention Rate
School	95.6%	2.9%
District	94.5%	3%
State	94.3%	3.3%

*State Contest Results: Academic/Speech, Band, Chorus, and Orchestra*

## Teacher Qualifications

This chart shows the level of teacher certification, continuing education, and classroom experience of our teachers. These numbers do not include our administrators, guidance counselors, or library media specialists. Please bear in mind that teachers may be fully certified and yet not possess a formal major or minor in the subjects they are teaching. Upon request, our district will provide information about the qualifications of your child's teachers and teachers' aides.

	Sch.	Dist.	State
% of Classes Taught by Teachers Certified for Subject and Grade Level	100%	100%	NA
% of Classes Taught by Teachers With a Major, Minor, or Equivalent in the Subject Being Taught	100%	99%	NA
% of Classes Taught by Teachers Who Participated in Content-Focused Professional Development	100%	100%	NA
% of Teachers with a Masters Degree or Greater or the Equivalent	79%	79%	78%
Average Years of Teaching Experience	10.5	10.8	11.8

## Our Learning Environment

### School Safety

Here's what we are doing to make our school safe for our students.

	Yes	No
Visitors are Required to Sign In	X	
All Parents received the District Discipline Code	X	
% of Classrooms with Telephone Access to Outside Lines	100%	

### Procedures in Place in Our School for Drug and Weapons Detection

Through a proactive approach of teaching the Lifelong Guidelines, students learn appropriate life choices. Students who consistently follow these guidelines are recognized through the Citizen of the Month Program. All visitors must report to the office. Students are under adult supervision at all times. Staff has continuous access to the office via in-classroom telephones. All doors (except the front) remain locked throughout the day.

Violation	Number of Reported Incidents	Number of Students Suspended for This	Number of Students Expelled for This
1st degree Assault	1	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	0	0	0
Weapons Violations	0	0	0

### Student Resources

	Spending per Student	Student/Teacher Ratio	Student/Computer Ratio	% of Classrooms with at Least One KETS Workstation with Internet Access
Our School	\$4533	18:1	5.2:1	100%
District	\$7349	18:1	4.4:1	100%
State	\$8663	16:1	3.7:1	100%

### How We Use Technology to Teach

Technology is integrated across the curriculum. All students K-5th receive computer instruction in the technology lab at least once per week. All classrooms have 2-4 student computers, a TV, and VCR. LCD projectors and smart boards are also used in the classroom and technology lab.

### Parental Involvement

	# of Students Whose Parent/Guardian Had at Least One Teacher Conference	# of Parents/Guardians Voting in School Council (SBDM) Elections	# of Parents/Guardians Serving on the School Council (SBDM) or Its Committees	# of Volunteer Hours
Our School	426	48	2	4764

## Extracurricular Activities

Clubs are offered before or after school. These include Chorus, Drama, Chess, Spanish, Student Technology Leadership Program, Gardening, Lego League, and Sign Language. Summer Camps on specific topics are also held.

## Awards and Recognition

Spelling Bee, Geography Bee, Young Authors, Conservation Poster Contest, Special Olympics, and Chess Tournament.

## What We Are Doing To Improve

SCES is dedicated to continual improvement in student achievement. Our initiatives for improvement include: professional development focused on Phil Schlechty's Working on the Work, on-going curriculum alignment and mapping. Family Reading Night, Family Math Game Night, and Family Science Experiment Night, CATS-like classroom assessments, Content Specialists, successful school visits, clubs, student recognitions, a writing plan, and peer observations.

## How to Get More Information

Call, e-mail, fax or write to our principal at the number and address on the top of this School Report Card. You may contact your School Council Members at the numbers below. Visit our main office and ask for the Expanded School Report Card that contains a variety of information including Kentucky Core Content Test data and CTBS/5 national norm referenced test data disaggregated by gender, ethnicity, disability and other criteria. This disaggregated data is available to you at no cost. The remainder of the Expanded School Report Card may be free or provided at cost of copying.

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