



# Orleans Elementary School

## Mission Statement

**The mission of Orleans Elementary School is to educate all students to high standards of intellectual excellence and social and cultural awareness, and to prepare them for a productive life within a dynamically changing society.**

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**ORLEANS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
Budget Overview/Accomplishments FY 2012-2013**



**Accomplishments**

Accomplishments during the past year have been expansive, and support the established missions of both our school and the Nauset district.

- Technology-Completion of Technology Five Year Plan, completion of full hardware inventory underway, wireless installation project in process, continued update of staff desktop units, purchase and installation of LCD projectors in large majority of classroom locations underway along with technology integration initiative to complement instructional process in classrooms.
- Completion and implementation in process of Five Year Building and Facilities Plan and School Capital Plan. Acquisition of Building and Facilities Fund currently in place for maintenance of school facility.
- Distribution of MA Curriculum Frameworks for Mathematics and ELA/Literacy incorporating the Common Core State Standards to all staff members along with ongoing professional development opportunities to prepare for full implementation ahead.
- “Envision OES”- Community outreach process conducted to create a shared vision for the school. Final outcomes continue to focus future planning initiatives.
- Literacy Outreach Initiative successfully took place with first time, “One Book, One School, One Local Library Project” funded and supported by Friends of Snow Library.
- Completion underway of Pilot-Year 2 of “Tools of the Mind” instructional program in Kindergarten classes. Implementation of staff professional development, and joint meetings between vertical grade level teams.
- Bullying Prevention Program “Second Steps” fully implemented in Gr. K-5. Support programming presented for students and staff throughout year including ImprovBoston.

- International outreach program implemented with Japanese teacher and students from Komaki, Japan. Two week school-wide Theme Project also completed on Japan.
- Steps taken to prepare for implementation for agreed upon format for Nauset's Health and Wellness Policy. Initial impact on OES was making scheduling adjustments to increase Physical Education from one to two sessions per week, and to provide one longer recess before lunch block. Further adjustments will be based on specifics of final policy adoption.
- School garden project expanded with larger garden and planting locations, composting locations, installation of potting shed, establishment of Jr. Garden Club, interfacing with local farmers, Slow Foods Organization and Orleans Farmers' Market, and food to table initiatives with produce used in cafeteria.
- Expanded after school programming to include new and current options: Kids' Yoga, Afternoon Athletics, Mi Casa, Jr. Great Books (Gr. 4-5), Audubon Programs, Jr. Garden Club, and general classroom support sessions.
- Additional student support provided through increased participation in community outreach: Elder Services of Cape Cod and Big Brothers Big Sisters Program.
- Outreach and sharing of our school by students and administration with tour and informational session for Orleans Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, and School Committee members during spring.
- Playground structure inspection process completed, dismantling of current structure, formation of Playground Committee to guide process of orchestrating the build of a new playground, and architectural rendition of new structure completed with community input.
- Continuously expanded and positively embraced parent involvement within school through outreach, collaborative PTC leadership, inclusive program planning, shared fundraising support and pro-parent initiatives
- First year completion of expanded OES Band including both Gr.4 and Gr. 5 students.
- Student leadership team, KIDS' Council, continued their third year of work toward planning for and promoting school improvement and vitality.
- Community outreach projects ongoing to include local businesses, organizations, civic groups, educational institutions, artistic talents, museums and cultural organizations to work toward common goals that positively impact all parties concerned.
- Wide array of professional development participation venues sought for all levels of staff on district, local and state levels. Planning many times encompassing teams of teachers to support building of collaborative expertise.
- Culturally enriching learning experiences for students continue to be implemented through visits by authors, illustrators, artists, historians, scientists and talented community members to complement curriculum presentation format.
- Expansion of school based recycling program with Single Streaming.
- Implementation of Chefs to Schools Program in school cafeteria.



## **Goals and Priorities**

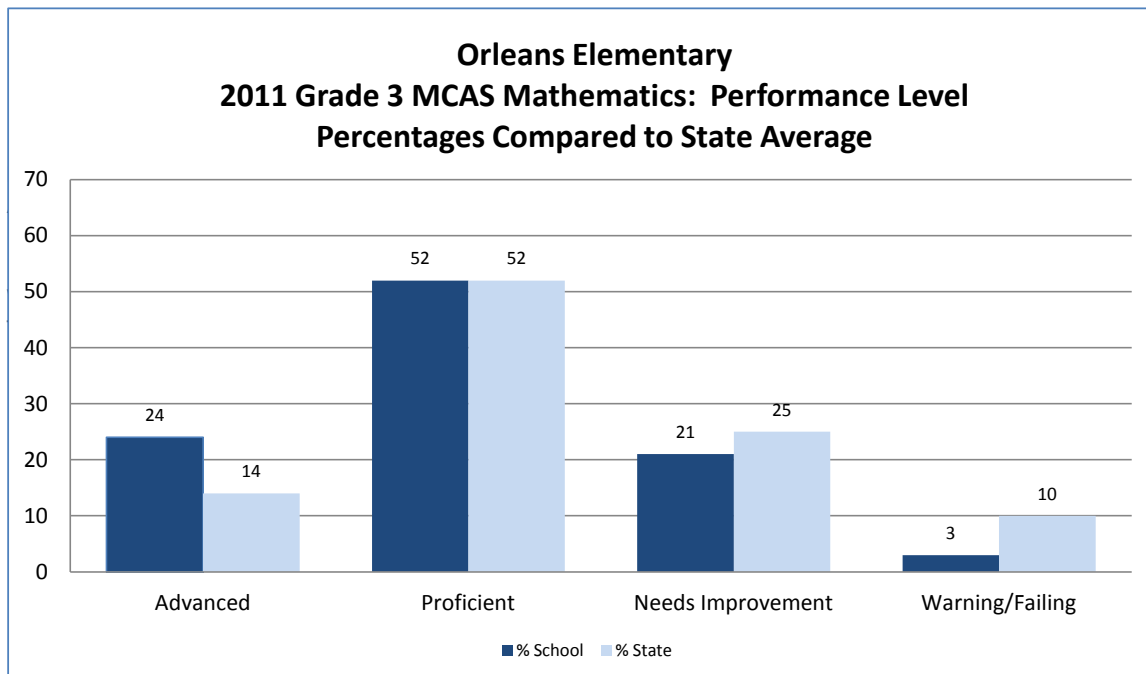
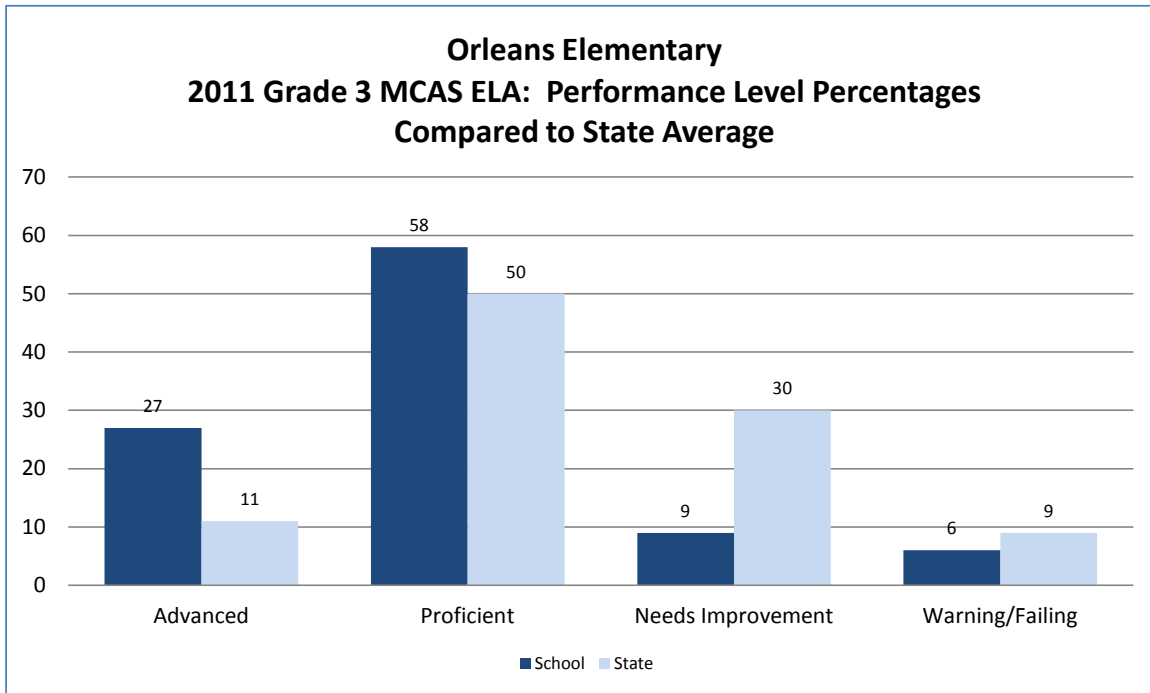
Goals and priorities for OES are focused on the following:

- Increased integration of technology into classroom skills presentations; Research, inventory and update of most effective instructional hardware and software; Provision of related professional development opportunities for staff.
- Fully prepare staff for implementation of the new MA Curriculum Frameworks and Common Core State Standards for ELA, Math, and very soon Science and Technology. Guide staff in full utilization of “Atlas” curriculum software program for lesson development and curriculum alignment.
- Build and update classroom libraries, inclusive of ample amounts of informational text and nonfiction genres to fully balance reading opportunities for students that align with new frameworks.
- Expand teaching practice to include higher order thinking skills, problem solving, analysis, synthesis, active discussion and highly interactive lessons across all subject areas. Guiding Principles and Habits of Mind established as cornerstones in lesson planning and orchestration.
- Results from formal Building Facilities Evaluation utilized to re-establish prioritized five year plan and continue with implementation phase.

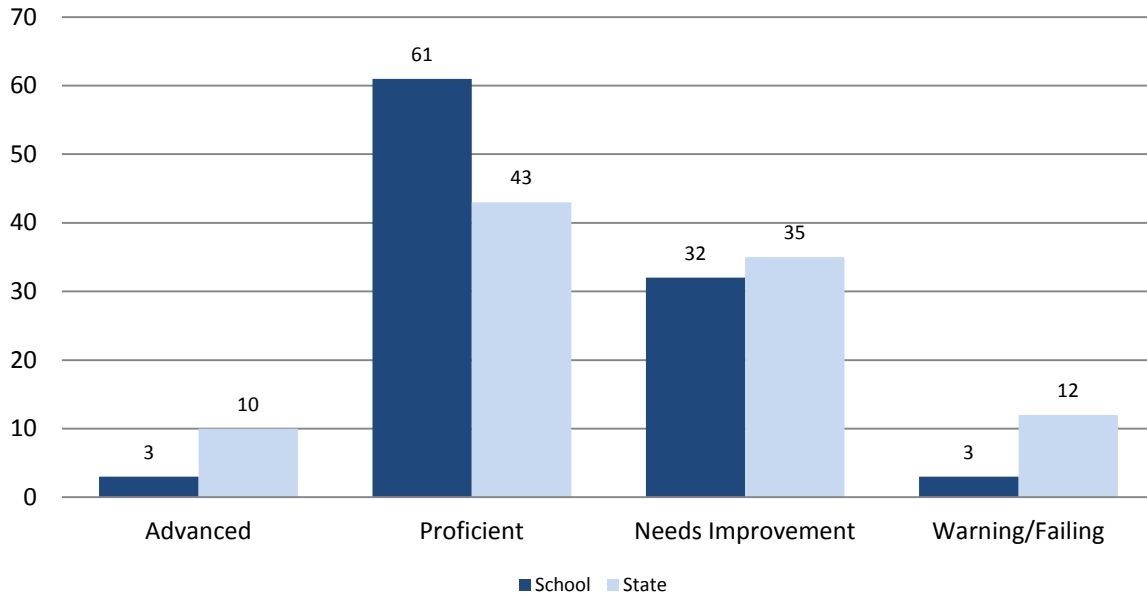


## 2011 MCAS Scores: Orleans Elementary Level of Performance

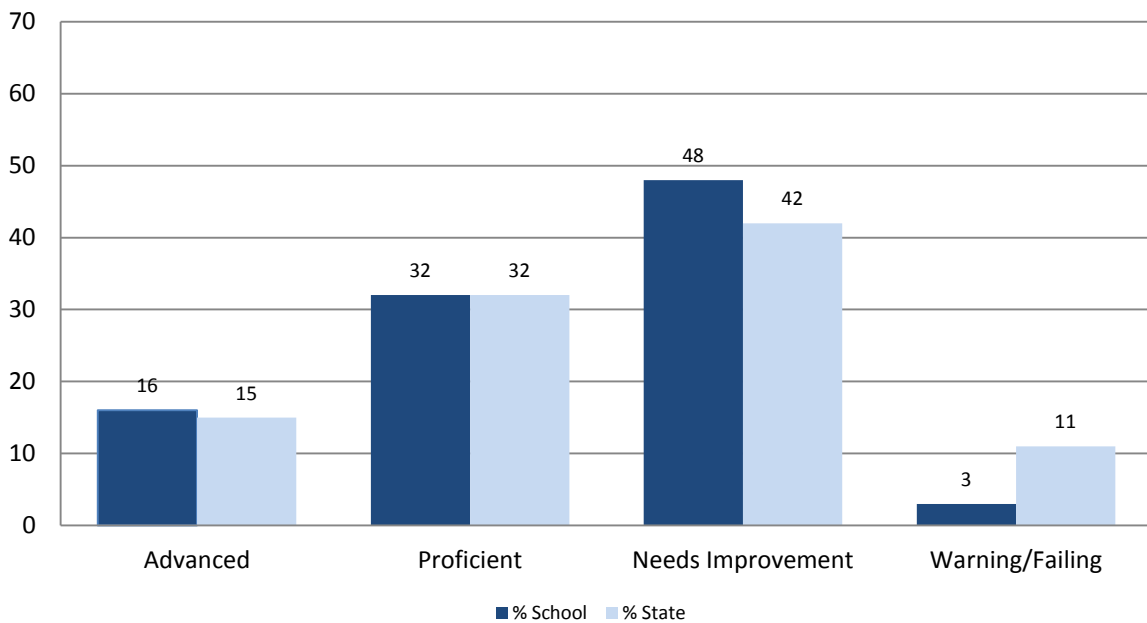
In 2011 Orleans Elementary School earned a Composite Performance Index (CPI) of 90.7 in ELA and 86.2 in mathematics. Based on these scores, Orleans has achieved a “Very High” and “High” performance rating in in ELA and mathematics respectively. As a Level 1 school, we have achieved Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) status in mathematics and ELA from 2004 through 2010. To maintain excellence, we engage in a cycle of inquiry to ensure we provide an exemplary learning environment for all students. This ongoing reflection prompts us to continually examine our curriculum, instruction, and assessment strategies and make modifications as needed to enhance student achievement. Our commitment to education translates into many positives! For example, we rank 62th out of 957 elementary schools in grade 3 English and 102<sup>nd</sup> out of 879 schools in grade 5 science.



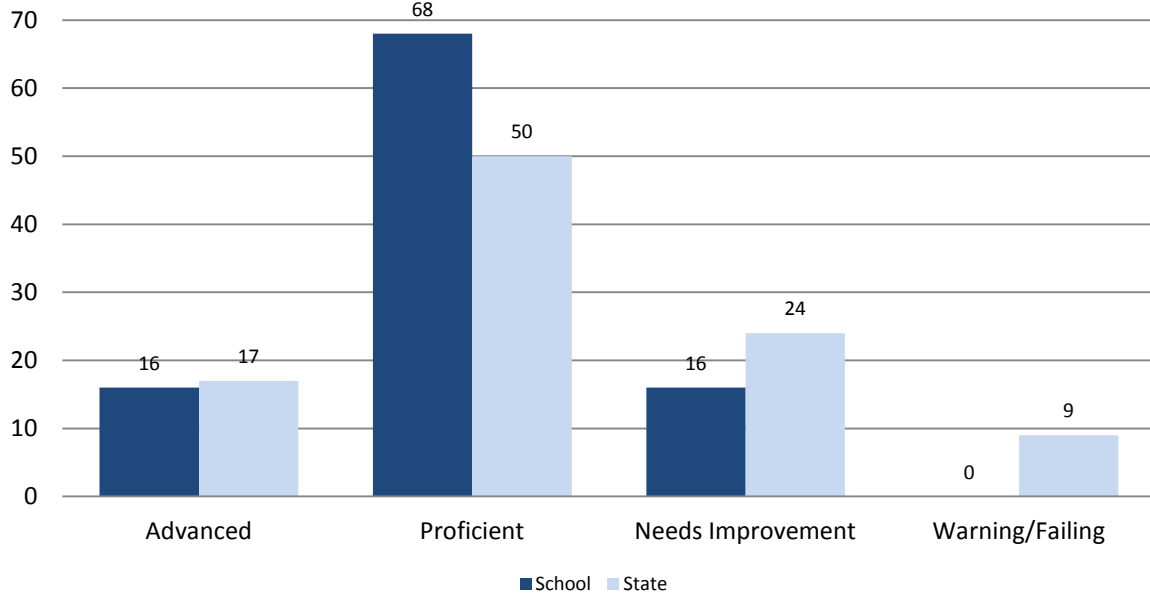
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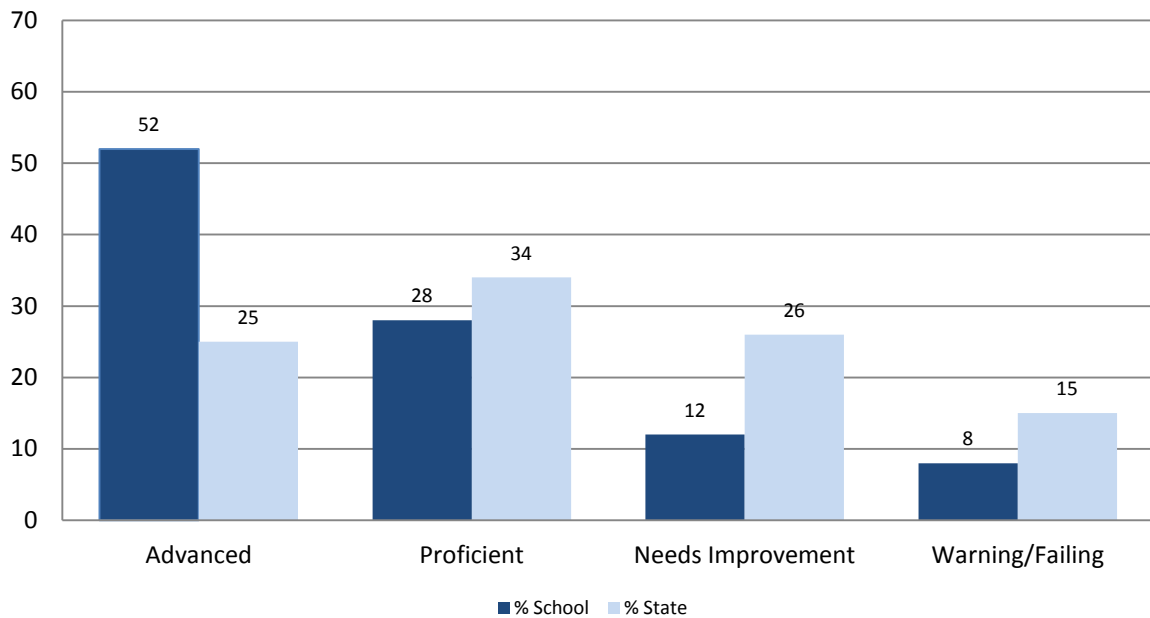
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