

**Lowell Elementary**

1500 Power Drive  
 Lowell, NC 28098  
 (704)824-2264

Grade Range: K-5

Regular School

Traditional Calendar

Gaston County Schools

<http://www.gaston.k12.nc.us/schools/lowell/index.htm>

**SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADE**

Achievement Indicators	Score
Reading EOG Proficiency	60
Math EOG Proficiency	56
Science EOG Proficiency	80
Biology Proficiency	.
Math I Proficiency	.

**Growth Status**

Exceeded

	Score	Grade
Achievement	61	
Growth	87.6	
School Performance	66	C
EOG Reading	65	C
EOG Math	62	C

**Formula for determining the School Performance Grade:**

- 80 percent of the School Performance Grade is based on the school achievement score. The school achievement score is calculated using a composite method based on the points earned by a school on all of the tests measured for that school
- 20 percent of the School Performance Grade is based on academic growth
- If a school has met expected growth and inclusion of the school's growth score reduces the school's performance score and grade, a school may choose to use the school achievement score solely to calculate the performance score and grade

**A+NG Schools:** A+NG schools earned a score of 85-100 and do not have significant achievement or graduation gaps.

**SCHOOL PERFORMANCE**
**GRADING SCALE**

Grade Range	Letter Grade
85-100	A
70-84	B
55-69	C
40-54	D
Below 40	F

**SCHOOL PROFILE**

**School Size:** The total number of students in this school and the average number of students in schools with similar grade ranges at the district and state levels.

Our School	540
District	448
State	490

**Average Class Size:** The average number of students enrolled in the "typical" K-8 classroom.

	Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
Our School	15	15	16	12	24	24			
Our District	20	17	18	16	21	21			
State	19	19	19	19	20	20			

*\* Legislation mandates that class sizes for grades 4-12 are not restricted.*

**School Attendance:** The average percentage of students who attend school daily.

Our School	95.9%
District	94.5%
State	95.1%

## SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 1 ( Limited Command** of knowledge and skills)

LEVEL 1	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	18.9%	15.7%	5.1%
District	25.8%	29.8%	20.6%
State	21.6%	24.9%	16.5%

N/A = Fewer than 5% of students

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 2 ( Partial Command** of knowledge and skills)

LEVEL 2	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	20.9%	28.0%	15.4%
District	24.9%	26.3%	17.2%
State	22.1%	22.8%	14.6%

N/A = Fewer than 5% of students

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 3 ( Sufficient Command** of knowledge and skills)  
*Students performing at Level 3 are performing at grade level.*

LEVEL 3	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	13.0%	7.1%	12.8%
District	11.0%	8.1%	11.8%
State	11.2%	8.1%	9.7%

N/A = Fewer than 5% students

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 4 ( Solid Command** of knowledge and skills)  
*Students scoring at Level 4 meet NC Standard for College-and Career-Readiness and are performing at or above grade level.*

LEVEL 4	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	40.6%	35.0%	48.7%
District	31.4%	25.3%	38.3%
State	34.7%	28.3%	41.5%

N/A = Fewer than 5% of students

**Performance of Students on the NC End-of-Grade Tests:** Percentage of Students at **Level 5 ( Superior Command** of knowledge and skills)  
*Students scoring at Level 5 meet NC Standard for College-and Career-Readiness and are performing at or above grade level.*

LEVEL 5	Reading	Math	Science
Our School	6.7%	14.2%	17.9%
District	6.9%	10.4%	12.1%
State	10.4%	15.8%	17.7%

N/A = Fewer than 5% of students

## FIVE ACHIEVEMENT LEVELS

**LEVEL 1: Limited Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: NO
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

**LEVEL 2: Partial Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: NO
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

**LEVEL 3: Sufficient Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: NO

**LEVEL 4: Solid Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: YES

**LEVEL 5: Superior Command** of knowledge and skills

- Performing At or Above Grade Level: YES
- Meets N.C. Standard for College-and Career-Readiness: YES

## What does this achievement level number mean?

Students scoring at Levels 1 and 2 will likely need additional help next year to succeed in that subject area. Students scoring at Level 3 are considered proficient for that grade level or course, but may still need some targeted help in the next grade or course. Students scoring at Levels 4 and 5 are ready for the next grade or course, and are also on a path to be prepared for college or a career by the time they graduate.

*The reading and math End-of-Grade tests are administered in grades 3-8. The science End-of-Grade tests are administered in grades 5 and 8 only.*

**Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs):** Per the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), North Carolina set AMOs based on 2012-2013 data. Targets can be viewed at [www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/reporting](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/reporting).

Our school met 25 out of 29 targets.

## QUALITY TEACHERS

	Total Number of Classroom Teachers*	Fully Licensed Teachers	Teachers with Advanced Degrees	National Board Certified Teachers*	Years of Teaching Experience			Teacher Turnover Rate
					0-3 years	4-10 years	10+ years	
Our School	32	100.0%	24.2%	7	21.2%	24.2%	54.5%	15.9%
District	28	99.0%	28.7%	4	51.6%	21.1%	27.3%	11.5%
State	34	97.7%	30.9%	5	22.8%	27.9%	49.3%	13.8%

\* The total number of teachers in this school and the average number of teachers in schools with similar grade ranges at the district and state level.

**Highly Qualified Teachers:**  
Percentage of classes taught by Highly Qualified teachers as defined by federal law.

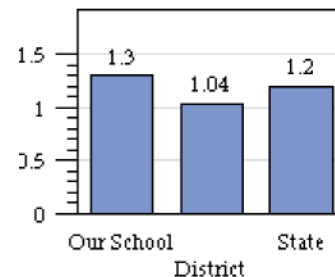
Our School	
District	
State	

## SAFE, ORDERLY AND CARING SCHOOLS

**School Safety:** The number of criminal acts reported per 100 students. Criminal acts include all acts occurring in school, on a school bus, on school grounds, or during off-campus, school-sponsored activities.

Our School	0.37
District	0.1
State	0.2

**Access to Technology:** The Number of Students per Internet-Connected Digital Learning Device



On this measure, smaller numbers are better than larger numbers; there are more computers available to students when the number of students per computer is low.

## READ TO ACHIEVE

The Read to Achieve program is a part of the Excellent Public Schools Act which became law in July of 2012 and applies to all schools at the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year. The goal of the State is to ensure that every student reads at or above grade level by the end of third grade. Students who are proficient on the 3rd-grade EOG or qualify for a "good cause exemption" are promoted to Grade 4. Students who are not proficient may be retained in 3rd grade or placed in 4th grade with extra reading instruction and interventions.

	PROMOTED TO GRADE 4		RETAINED	
	# of students	Percentage	# of Students	Percentage
Our School	94	93.1%	7	6.9%
District	2041	82.3%	440	17.7%
State	102276	86.4%	16079	13.6%



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