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**OUTSTANDING EDUCATIONAL PERFORMANCE AWARDS:
HIGHLIGHTING HIGH ACHIEVING MIDDLE SCHOOLS, 2011**

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IV. 2011 OEP AWARDS: HIGH ACHIEVING MIDDLE SCHOOLS

This section provides a deeper look at high achieving middle schools and grades¹ within schools based on the Arkansas Benchmark exam. The Benchmark exams were administered to students in grades three through eight in math and literacy in April 2011.

Each table presents the high achieving schools for the noted grade and subject and includes the region in which the school is located, the number of test takers, and the percent of students scoring at the proficient and advanced levels in 2011. Because we already listed our overall top performing middle schools in Section I (pages 3-9 of this report), we move directly into listing the top performing middle schools by grade.

A. Middle School Math by Grade, 2011

Table 42: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Six Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	St. Joe Elementary (Ozark Mountain)	NW	11	100%
1	Viola Elementary (Viola)	NE	21	100%
3	Academy of Service and Technology (Vilonia) ♦	CN	55	99%
4	Hardin Elementary (White Hall)	CN	44	98%
5	Richland Elementary (West Memphis)	NE	81	97%
6	Elmer H. Cook Elementary (Fort Smith)	NW	73	96%
6	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside)	CN	242	96%
6	Pea Ridge Middle (Pea Ridge) ♦	NW	134	96%
6	Salem Elementary (Salem)	NE	55	96%
10	Swifton Middle (Jackson County)	NE	44	95%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

¹ In this section, we highlight the top performing grade levels for grades six through eight. We did not distinguish between elementary, middle, or high school, but simply highlight the top grade levels overall. Therefore, an elementary or high school may be listed if it includes one of these grades.

Table 43: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Seven Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	NE	11	100%
2	Atkins Middle (Atkins)	NW	96	95%
3	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	486	94%
3	Washington Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	512	94%
5	Marshall High (Searcy County)	NW	58	93%
5	Valley Springs Middle (Valley Springs) ♦	NW	71	93%
7	McNair Middle (Fayetteville) ♦	NW	299	92%
7	Pea Ridge Middle (Pea Ridge) ♦	NW	114	92%
7	Spring Hill High (Spring Hill) ♦	SW	39	92%
7	Swifton Middle (Jackson County)	NE	62	92%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 44: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Eight Math Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy) ♦	NW	57	93%
2	Spring Hill High (Spring Hill)	SW	44	91%
3	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	471	90%
4	Kingston High (Jasper)	NW	19	89%
4	Washington Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	484	89%
6	Charleston High (Charleston)	NW	75	87%
7	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	NE	14	86%
8	Monticello Middle (Monticello)	SE	177	85%
8	Mt. Vernon/Enola High (Mt. Vernon-Enola)	CN	33	85%
8	Pea Ridge Middle (Pea Ridge) ♦	NW	124	85%
8	Valley Springs Middle (Valley Springs) ♦	NW	71	85%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

B. Middle School Literacy by Grade, 2011

Table 45: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Six Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	St. Joe Elementary (Ozark Mountain)	NW	11	100%
1	Umpire Elementary (Cossatot)	SW	16	100%
3	Academy of Service and Technology (Vilonia) ♦	CN	55	96%
3	Richland Elementary (West Memphis)	NE	81	96%
5	Arrie Goforth Elementary (Norfolk)	NW	32	94%
5	Euper Lane Elementary (Fort Smith)	NW	56	94%
5	International Studies Magnet (Jonesboro)	NE	54	94%
8	Mount Pleasant Elementary (Melbourne)	NE	30	93%
9	Cavanaugh Elementary (Fort Smith)	NW	27	92%
10	Elmer H. Cook Elementary (Fort Smith)	NW	73	91%
10	John P. Woods Elementary (Fort Smith)	NW	56	91%
10	Southwest Middle (Searcy) ♦	NE	295	91%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 46: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Seven Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	NE	11	100%
2	Valley Springs Middle (Valley Springs) ♦	NW	71	96%
3	Taylor High (Emerson-Taylor)	SW	24	92%
4	Hector High (Hector)	NW	46	89%
4	McNair Middle (Fayetteville) ♦	NW	299	89%
4	Western Yell Co. High (Western Yell County)	NW	45	89%
7	Kirksey Middle (Rogers)	NW	298	88%
7	LISA Academy (LISA Academy) ♦	CN	108	88%
9	Vilonia Middle (Vilonia)	CN	243	87%
10	Dierks High (Dierks)	SW	35	86%
10	Melbourne High (Melbourne)	NE	58	86%
10	Washington Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	512	86%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 47: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Eight Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Kingston High (Jasper)	NW	19	100%
2	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy) ♦	NW	57	98%
3	Benton County School of the Arts Elem./Mid. (Benton County School of the Arts)	NW	59	94%
3	Bergman Middle (Bergman)	NW	83	94%
3	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	471	94%
3	LISA Academy (LISA Academy) ♦	CN	102	94%
3	LISA Academy North Middle (LISA Academy-North Little Rock)	CN	57	94%
3	Oden High (Ouachita River)	SW	17	94%
9	Pea Ridge Middle (Pea Ridge) ♦	NW	124	93%
9	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	NE	14	93%
9	Washington Junior High (Bentonville)	NW	484	93%
9	Woodlawn High (Woodlawn)	SE	53	93%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

C. Middle School Combined (Math and Literacy)² by Grade, 2011

Table 48: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Six Combined (Math and Literacy) Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	St. Joe Elementary (Ozark Mountain)	NW	11	100%
2	Academy of Service and Technology (Vilonia) ♦	CN	55	98%
3	Richland Elementary (West Memphis)	NE	81	97%
4	Viola Elementary (Viola)	NE	21	95%
5	Elmer H. Cook Elementary (Fort Smith) ♦	NW	73	94%
5	Umpire Elementary (Cossatot River)	SW	16	94%
7	Cavanaugh Elementary (Fort Smith) ♦	NW	27	92%
7	Hardin Elementary (White Hall)	CN	44	92%
7	International Studies Magnet (Jonesboro)	NE	54	92%
7	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside)	CN	242	92%
7	Mount Pleasant Elementary (Melbourne)	NE	30	92%
7	Salem Elementary (Salem)	NE	55	92%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

² Combined score is a simple average of students proficient or advanced on Math and Literacy.

Table 49: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Seven Combined (Math and Literacy) Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	NE	11	100%
2	Valley Springs Middle (Valley Springs) ♦	NW	71	95%
3	McNair Middle (Fayetteville) ♦	NW	299	91%
4	Taylor High (Emerson-Taylor)	SW	24	90%
4	Washington Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	512	90%
6	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	486	89%
6	Spring Hill High (Spring Hill) ♦	SW	39	89%
8	Marshall High (Searcy County)	NW	58	88%
9	Atkins Middle (Atkins)	NW	96	87%
9	Melbourne High (Melbourne)	NE	58	87%
9	Vilonia Middle (Vilonia)	CN	243	87%
9	Western Yell Co. High (Western Yell County)	NW	45	87%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 50: Top 10 Arkansas Schools: Grade Eight Combined (Math and Literacy) Achievement

	School (District)	Region	# of Test Takers	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy) ♦	NW	57	96%
2	Kingston High (Jasper)	NW	19	95%
3	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	471	92%
4	Spring Hill High (Spring Hill)	SW	44	91%
4	Washington Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	NW	484	91%
6	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	NE	14	90%
7	LISA Academy (LISA Academy) ♦	CN	102	89%
7	Pea Ridge Middle (Pea Ridge) ♦	NW	124	89%
7	Valley Springs Middle (Valley Springs) ♦	NW	71	89%
10	Mt. Vernon/Enola High (Mt. Vernon-Enola)	CN	33	88%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.



D. Northwest Region, 2011

Table 51: Top 5 Overall Middle Schools in NW Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Ruth Barker Middle (Bentonville)	5-6	93%
2	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	7-8	92%
2	Old High Middle (Bentonville)	5-6	92%
2	Spring Hill Middle (Bentonville)	5-6	92%
2	Washington Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	7-8	92%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 52: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level³ in Northwest Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	St. Joe Elementary (Ozark Mountain)	K-6	100%
2	Elmer H. Cook Elementary (Fort Smith)	K-6	96%
2	Pea Ridge Middle (Pea Ridge) ♦	6-8	96%
7th Grade			
1	Atkins Middle (Atkins)	5-8	95%
2	Washington Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	7-8	94%
2	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	7-8	94%
8th Grade			
1	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy) ♦	8-12	93%
2	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	7-8	90%
3	Kingston High (Jasper)	7-12	89%
3	Washington Junior High (Bentonville)	7-8	89%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2008-09.

³ In this section, we highlight the top performing grade levels for grades six through eight in each region. We did not distinguish between elementary or middle school, but simply highlight the top grade levels overall. Therefore, an elementary or high school may be listed if it includes one of these grades.

Table 53: Top 5 Middle Schools in Northwest Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Valley Springs Middle (Valley Springs) ♦	5-8	93%
2	Pottsville Middle (Pottsville)	4-6	90%
3	Mountain Home Junior High (Mountain Home)	8	89%
3	Washington Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	7-8	89%
5	Kirksey Middle (Rogers)	6-8	88%
5	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville) ♦	7-8	88%
5	Ruth Barker Middle (Bentonville)	5-6	88%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 54: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Northwest Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	St. Joe Elementary (Ozark Mountain)	K-6	100%
2	Euper Lane Elementary (Fort Smith)	K-6	94%
2	Arrie Goforth Elementary (Norfork)	K-6	94%
7th Grade			
1	Valley Springs Middle (Valley Springs)	5-8	96%
2	McNair Middle (Fayetteville)	6-7	89%
2	Hector High (Hector)	7-12	89%
2	Western Yell Co. High (Western Yell County)	7-12	89%
8th Grade			
1	Kingston High (Jasper)	7-12	100%
2	Haas Hall Academy (Haas Hall Academy) ♦	8-12	98%
3	Benton County School of the Arts Elem./Mid. (Benton County)	K-8	94%
3	Bergman Middle (Bergman)	6-8	94%
3	Lincoln Junior High (Bentonville)	6-7	94%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.



E. Northeast Region, 2011

Table 55: Top 5 Overall Middle Schools in Northeast Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Swifton Middle (Jackson County) ♦	5-8	92%
2	Southwest Middle (Searcy) ♦	5-6	90%
3	Hoxie Middle (Hoxie)	6-7	83%
3	Nettleton Middle (Nettleton) ♦	6	83%
5	Ahlf Junior High (Searcy)	7-8	82%
5	Cave City Intermediate (Cave City)	5-6	82%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 56: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Northeast Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	Viola Elementary (Viola)	K-6	100%
2	Richland Elementary (West Memphis)	K-6	97%
3	Salem Elementary (Salem)	K-6	96%
7th Grade			
1	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	7-12	100%
2	Swifton Middle (Jackson County)	5-7	92%
3	West Side High (West Side)	7-12	91%
8th Grade			
1	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	7-12	86%
2	Tuckerman High (Jackson County)	8-12	82%
3	Mountain View Middle (Mountain View)	6-8	79%
3	Valley View High (Valley View)	7-12	79%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 57: Top 5 Middle Schools in Northeast Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Southwest Middle (Searcy) ♦	5-8	90%
2	Ahlf Junior High (Searcy) ♦	7-8	87%
2	Mountain View Middle (Mountain View) ♦	6-8	87%
4	Greene County Tech Junior High (Greene County Tech)	6-7	82%
5	Nettleton Middle (Nettleton)	6	80%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 58: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Northeast Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	Richland Elementary (West Memphis)	K-6	96%
2	International Studies Magnet (Jonesboro)	1-6	94%
3	Mount Pleasant Elementary (Melbourne)	K-6	93%
7th Grade			
1	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	7-12	100%
2	Melbourne High (Melbourne)	7-12	86%
3	Mountain View Middle (Mountain View) ♦	6-8	84%
8th Grade			
1	Rural Special High (Mountain View)	7-12	93%
2	Ahlf Junior High (Searcy) ♦	7-8	90%
2	Buffalo Is. Central Junior High (Buffalo Island Central)	7-9	90%
2	Concord High (Concord)	7-12	90%
2	Mountain View Middle (Mountain View)	6-8	90%
2	Quitman High (Quitman)	7-12	90%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.



F. Central Region, 2011

Table 59: Top 5 Middle Schools in Central Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Academy of Service and Technology (Vilonia) ♦	5-6	96%
2	Ruth Doyle Intermediate (Conway) ♦	5-6	92%
3	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside) ♦	5-7	91%
4	Carl Stuart Middle (Conway) ♦	7-8	87%
4	Raymond and Phyllis Simon Intermediate (Conway)	5-6	87%
4	Vilonia Middle (Vilonia)	5-7	87%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 60: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Central Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	Academy of Service and Technology (Vilonia)♦	5-6	99%
2	Hardin Elementary (White Hall)	K-6	98%
3	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside)	5-7	96%
7th Grade			
1	Greenbrier Middle (Greenbrier)♦	6-7	90%
2	Carl Stuart Middle (Conway)	7-8	89%
3	Bethel Middle (Bryant)	6-8	87%
3	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside)	5-7	87%
8th Grade			
1	Mt. Vernon/Enola High (Mt. Vernon-Enola)	7-12	89%
2	Carl Stuart Middle (Conway) ♦	7-8	84%
3	LISA Academy (LISA Academy) ♦	6-8	83%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 61: Top 5 Overall Middle Schools in Central Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Academy of Service and Technology (Vilonia)♦	5-6	95%
2	Benton Jr. High (Benton) ♦	8-9	91%
3	LISA Academy (LISA Academy) ♦	6-8	88%
3	Ruth Doyle Intermediate (Conway)♦	5-6	88%
4	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside) ♦	5-7	87%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 62: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Central Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	Academy of Service and Technology (Vilonia)♦	5-6	96%
2	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside)	5-7	88%
2	Moody Elementary (White Hall)	K-6	88%
7th Grade			
1	LISA Academy (LISA Academy)♦	6-8	88%
2	Vilonia Middle (Vilonia)	5-7	87%
3	Bethel Middle (Bryant)	6-8	83%
3	Lakeside Middle (Lakeside)	5-7	83%
8th Grade			
1	LISA Academy (LISA Academy) ♦	6-8	94%
1	LISA Academy North Middle (LISA Academy North Little Rock)	6-8	94%
3	Benton Junior High (Benton)	8-9	91%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.



G. Southwest Region, 2011

Table 63: Top 5 Overall Middle Schools in Southwest Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Nashville Elementary (Nashville)	4-6	86%
2	Gary E. Cobb Middle (Genoa Central) ♦	5-8	84%
3	Mena Intermediate (Mena) ♦	6	82%
4	DeQueen Middle (DeQueen)	6-7	80%
5	Goza Middle (Arkadelphia)	6-8	79%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 64: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Southwest Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	Emerson Elementary (Emerson-Taylor)	K-6	94%
2	Centerpoint High (Centerpoint)	6-12	93%
3	Parkers Chapel Elementary (Parkers Chapel) ♦	K-6	92%
3	Taylor Elementary (Emerson-Taylor)	K-6	92%
7th Grade			
1	Spring Hill High (Spring Hill)♦	7-12	92%
2	Gary E. Cobb Middle (Genoa Central)	5-8	88%
3	Taylor High (Emerson-Taylor)	7-12	87%
8th Grade			
1	Spring Hill High (Spring Hill)	7-12	91%
2	Emerson High (Emerson-Taylor)	7-12	84%
3	Mena Middle (Mena)	7-8	76%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 65: Top 5 Middle Schools in Southwest Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Gary E. Cobb Middle (Genoa) ♦	5-8	83%
2	DeQueen Junior High (DeQueen)	8-9	80%
3	Mena Middle (Mena) ♦	7-8	79%
4	Nashville Elementary (Nashville)	4-6	78%
4	Barton Junior High (El Dorado)	7-8	78%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 66: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Southwest Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	Umpire Elementary (Cossatot)	K-6	100%
2	Emerson Elementary (Emerson-Taylor)♦	K-6	88%
3	Spring Hill Elementary (Spring Hill)♦	K-6	86%
7th Grade			
1	Taylor High (Emerson-Taylor)	7-12	92%
2	Dierks High (Dierks)	7-12	86%
3	Spring Hill High (Spring Hill)♦	7-12	85%
8th Grade			
1	Oden High (Ouachita River)	7-12	94%
2	Spring Hill High (Spring Hill)	7-12	91%
3	Mena Middle (Mena)	8-7	89%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.



H. Southeast Region, 2011

Table 67: Top 5 Middle Schools in Southeast Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Monticello Middle (Monticello)♦	6-8	78%
2	KIPP Blytheville College Preparatory (KIPP Delta Public)	5	75%
3	Star City Middle (Star City)♦	6-8	74%
3	Drew Central Middle (Drew Central)♦	5-8	74%
5	Meekins Middle (Stuttgart)	5-6	73%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 68: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Southeast Arkansas Based on Benchmark Math Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	Marvell Primary (Marvell)	K-6	86%
2	Monticello Middle (Monticello)♦	6-8	85%
3	Star City Middle (Star City) ♦	6-8	81%
7th Grade			
1	Star City Middle (Star City)♦	6-8	81%
2	Rison High (Cleveland County)	7-12	80%
3	Monticello Middle (Monticello)♦	6-8	79%
3	Woodlawn High (Woodlawn)	7-12	79%
8th Grade			
1	Monticello Middle (Monticello) ♦	6-8	85%
2	Woodlawn High (Woodlawn) ♦	7-12	73%
3	Star City Middle (Star City) ♦	6-8	71%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 69: Top 5 Middle Schools in Southeast Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
1	Monticello Middle (Monticello)♦	6-8	78%
2	Star City Middle (Star City)♦	6-8	75%
3	KIPP Blytheville College Preparatory (KIPP Delta Public)	5	74%
3	Drew Central Middle (Drew Central)		74%
5	KIPP Delta College Preparatory (KIPP Delta Public)♦	5-8	73%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

Table 70: Top 3 Schools by Grade Level in Southeast Arkansas Based on Benchmark Literacy Achievement

	School (District)	Grades Served	% Proficient/Advanced
6th Grade			
1	KIPP Delta College Preparatory (KIPP Delta Public)	5-8	82%
2	Kingsland Elementary (Cleveland County)	K-6	80%
2	Monticello Middle (Monticello)♦	6-8	80%
7th Grade			
1	Star City Middle (Star City)	6-8	70%
2	Woodlawn High (Woodlawn)♦	7-12	69%
3	Rison High (Cleveland County)	7-12	67%
3	KIPP Delta College Preparatory (KIPP Delta Public)	5-8	67%
8th Grade			
1	Woodlawn High (Woodlawn)	7-12	93%
2	Monticello Middle (Monticello) ♦	6-8	88%
3	Rison High (Cleveland County)	7-12	86%

♦ Indicates school placed on same list in 2009-10.

The schools on these lists were a mix of K-6 elementary schools, middle schools, and 7-12 high schools. The type of school most common was highly dependent on the region of the state with the Northeast and Southwest regions having more K-6/7-12 schools than the other regions. This is purely a function of the school configurations common in each region. It is important to remember that even if a school is called a high school, the data to determine rankings was based on the benchmark exams; therefore, students above grade 8 had no impact on the rankings.

As was the case for the elementary schools, there is some overlap between the top five performing middle schools in math and literacy in each region. Additionally, there were 59 unique instances where a middle school received an OEP award two years in a row in a given category. We would like to congratulate all of the schools on these lists, specifically those who are showing a repeat performance of high achievement.