

South Carolina



Success for All® Schools in South Carolina Gain on PACT Reading

Success for All (SFA) is the most extensively researched of all comprehensive reform models for Title I elementary schools. It incorporates scientifically-based principles of reading, cooperative learning, professional development, tutoring, and family support. Studies throughout the U.S. have shown that Success for All students gain more than matched control students in reading.

A recent analysis of Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test (PACT) reading scores found that students in grades 3–5 in the two Success for All schools currently operating in the Oconee and Chesterfield County school districts in South Carolina made greater gains than other students in the state from 1999 to 2001. Success for All students gained 9.7% in students scoring at or above the proficient level on PACT, while other South Carolina students gained 7.5%. In the most recent period, 2000–2001, Success for All students gained 3.2%, while other South Carolina students gained only 0.9%.

The 2001 PACT results support the findings of research in many states, showing that students in Success for All schools gain more than other students on state accountability measures. Larger-scale evaluations in North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Louisiana, for example, have also shown greater gains for Success for All schools than for other schools on state accountability measures.

The Success for All Foundation is a nonprofit organization that develops and disseminates educational reform models originally developed at Johns Hopkins University. For additional information on Success for All programs and research reports on program effectiveness, contact the Success for All Foundation at 1-800-548-4998 or visit our website, www.successforall.net.

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Gains on PACT Reading, Grades 3–5
Percentage Scoring at Proficient or Better
SFA vs. State of South Carolina**

