

Today, the State of North Carolina released NC School Performance Grades for most schools, including the Cape Fear Center for Inquiry. At CFCI, we do not focus on teaching to the test, but continue to show success year after year. We do believe that teaching students test taking strategies and how to work through a standardized test is an important life skill, but it is not the focus of our day to day action. We teach students the curriculum, but we are able to do it through an inquiry-based method allowing students to discover, research and investigate so they are internalizing the information that they learn. We work to make learning engaging and meaningful for all students.

You can find details at http://www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/reporting/. You can also access more detailed state-wide test results at http://www.ncpublicschools.org/src/.

The General Assembly passed legislation in 2012 that requires the state to issue A-F grades for nearly all schools in North Carolina. The grades are based on a 15-point scale for this first report card, but will be reported on a 10-point scale in the following years.

CFCI received a grade of B for the 2013-2014 school year. A copy of our data is below.

			Reading	Reading	Math	Math	EVAAS	EVAAS	Overall				
	SPG	SPG	SPG	SPG	SPG	SPG	Growth	Growth	Achievement	Read	Math	Science	Math I
School Name	Grade	Score	Grade	Score	Grade	Score	Status	Score	Score*	Score*	Score*	Score*	Score*
Cape Fear Center for													
Inquiry	В	81	В	83	В	78	Exceeded	88.6	79	82	75	81	85

The information below will help clarify the data above.

Achievement Scores- are the percentage of students that scored a level 3, 4 or 5 (passing scores) on the End of Grade test.

EVAAS Growth-is the percentage of overall school growth we had on our EOGs. This is a different formula that looks at a child's expected EOG score and calculates how much they should grow in one year's time. We are very pleased to have Exceeded growth this year as that is the highest form of growth a school can achieve. This number really takes a child's individual ability into consideration.

To calculate the School Performance Grades (SPG), the state took 80% of the overall achievement score and 20% of an school growth formula to determine where each school in the state falls on that 15 point scale.

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