



Cope Area Career Center

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Grades	Career Center	
Enrollment	468 Students	
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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2013 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD



RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2013	Excellent	Good
2012	Excellent	Good
2011	Excellent	Excellent
2010	Excellent	Excellent
2009	Below Average	At-Risk

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS*

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
23	9	4	2	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/21/2013.

School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=468)			
With disabilities	1.8%	Down from 6.0%	9.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	23.7%	Down from 26.9%	16.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	468	Up from 442	620
Students participating in work-based experiences	29.5%	Up from 15.2%	14.9%
Teachers (n=9)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	12.5%	No Change	26.0%
Continuing contract teachers	62.5%	No Change	78.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.9%	No Change	90.6%
Teacher attendance rate	98.2%	Up from 96.6%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,233	Up 3.6%	\$48,591
Professional development days/teacher	73.6 days	Down from 75.7 days	12.7 days
School			
Director's years at Center	7.0	Up from 6.0	7.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$2,217	Up 8.3%	\$3,188
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.0%	Down from 66.7%	58.5%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.0%	Up from 61.8%	66.5%
Parents attending conferences	21.2%	Down from 22.2%	81.9%
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	12	67	54
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.7%	94%	85.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	91.7%	94%	88.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100%	94%	72.2%

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

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Performance By Student Groups

	Technical Skill Attainment			Graduation Rate			Placement Rate		
	This Center		State Center Average %	This Center		State Center Average %	This Center		State Center Average %
	n	%		n	%		n	%	
All Students	361	97.0%	89.4%	94	98.9%	94.9%	286	97.2%	96.5%
Students with Disabilities on Diploma Track	12	91.7%	81.4%	1	I/S	78.9%	117	96.6%	96.5%
Gender									
Male	193	95.3%	87.3%	40	100.0%	93.6%	112	98.2%	96.4%
Female	168	98.8%	91.8%	54	98.1%	96.1%	174	96.6%	96.6%
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	209	97.6%	92.4%	46	100.0%	96.5%	157	98.7%	96.6%
African American	144	95.8%	85.8%	46	97.8%	93.0%	127	95.3%	96.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander	3	I/S	97.7%	0	N/A	99.4%	1	I/S	100.0%
Hispanic	4	I/S	89.6%	1	I/S	96.9%	2	I/S	93.7%
American Indian/Alaskan	1	I/S	90.1%	1	I/S	86.4%	0	N/A	90.6%
Migrant Status									
Migrant	1	I/S	100.0%	0	N/A	N/A	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	3	I/S	90.0%	0	N/A	0.0%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	183	94.0%	86.7%	94	98.9%	95.0%	171	95.9%	95.8%

* n = number of students on which percentage is calculated.

Definitions of Performance Rating Terms

- * Technical Skill Attainment --- The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at the center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.
- * Graduation Rate --- The percentage of 12th grade career and technology students who graduate in the spring.
- * Placement Rate --- The percentage of career and technology completers available for placement over a 3-year period who are actually placed in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment.

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Report of Director and School Improvement Council

Cope Area Career Center (CACC) continues to strive for an atmosphere of excellence with its award-winning Career and Technology Education Programs. Student achievement, high expectations, and a rigorous and relevant curriculum have been in the forefront of the Center's goals this year. The staff has dedicated themselves to accomplishing these goals.

Students' increased career focus and career planning has resulted in more students interested in attending the Career Center which attracted a total enrollment of 495 students to the Center. A few of this year's accomplishments include partnerships with area post-secondary institutions where over 250 students received dual credit through our middle college in the areas of health science, automotive technology, welding classes, law enforcement services, pre-engineering, and early childhood education. Automotive, health science, and law enforcement students won top place state honors proving that CACC is competitive at the state level.

Again this year, CACC is the recipient of the prestigious Palmetto Gold Award recognized by the State Department of Education. The award reflects a fundamental belief that all schools can improve toward high academic standards of excellence.

Seventy-five percent of the 130 program completers received state and national certifications in National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER), CPR, First Aid, Certified Nursing Assistant, Explore Junior Fire Fighter, and National Health Care Foundation.

As we continue to increase rigor and relevance while preparing students for the global, high-tech workplace, the master schedule reflects new course offerings for next year in computer integrated manufacturing. Challenges set before us for next year involve increasing reading, writing, and math skills which will, in turn, help students be successful in Career and Technology Education courses, post-secondary education, the military, and the workforce.

As we prepare for school year 2013-14, the halls have been painted, a new course, Teacher Cadet, has been added, and law enforcement services will be offered for dual enrollment. We welcome you to view our newly developed website and brochures at www.orangeburg4.com/cacc.php.

Sandra Jameson, Director
Kay Barr, Advisory Board Chairperson

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ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System

In July 2013, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/esea/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

Overall Weighted Points Total	N/A
Overall Grade Conversion	N/A

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the state's expectations

Accountability Indicator for Title I Schools

Cope Area Career Center school has been designated as a:

- Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
- Title I Reward School for Progress – one of the schools with substantial progress in student subgroups.
- Title I Focus School – one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
- Title I Priority School – one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
- Title I School – does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
- Non-Title I School – therefore the designations above are not applicable.

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