



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Boiling Springs High
Spartanburg 2**

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 1,525

Principal: Chuck D. Gordon

Superintendent: Dr. Scott Mercer

Board Chair: Mr. Danny J. McDowell

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Below Average	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	Good	Below Average	Gold	Not Met	N/A
2006	Excellent	Good	Gold	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
5	8	12	1	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are High Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2007	2008	2007	2008
Passed 2 subtests (%)	87.3%	88.6%	81.2%	85.1%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	7.4%	7.3%	11.2%	8.3%
Passed no subtests (%)	5.2%	4.1%	7.6%	6.6%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	96.3%	94.7%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

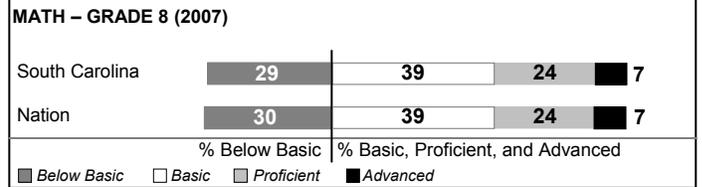
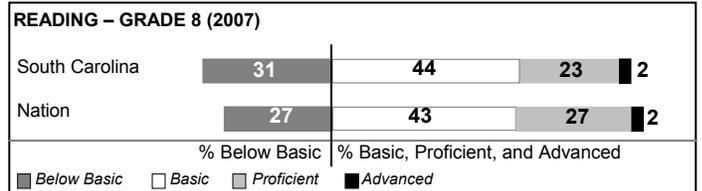
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	513	399
Number of Diplomas	404	298
Rate (%)	78.8%	74.9%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	78.1%	77.3%
English 1	70.9%	71.0%
Physical Science	55.5%	60.8%
All Tests	67.0%	69.5%

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,525)				
Retention rate	2.3%	Up from 1.1%	5.8%	6.1%
Attendance rate	99.4%	Down from 99.9%	95.3%	95.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.0%	No Change	11.9%	8.3%
With disabilities other than speech	6.9%	Up from 5.4%	11.0%	13.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 8.6%	1.6%	1.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	9.1%	Down from 9.7%	16.8%	11.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	69.3%	N/A	65.1%	54.3%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	46.0%	Up from 32.9%	32.6%	30.5%
Annual dropout rate	4.1%	Down from 4.4%	3.9%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	2.1%	Down from 2.5%	1.7%	3.1%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	795	Up from 501	967	559
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	81.0%	Down from 83.6%	79.3%	79.6%
Teachers (n=79)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	68.4%	Up from 67.1%	60.5%	57.4%
Continuing contract teachers	69.6%	Down from 73.7%	71.9%	69.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	4.5%	Up from 3.0%	6.7%	8.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.8%	Down from 90.2%	85.3%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Down from 95.2%	95.3%	95.4%
Average teacher salary	\$49,533	Up 4.9%	\$46,811	\$46,061
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.4%	Down from 5.5%	2.3%	4.3%
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 10.0	2.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	26.3 to 1	Down from 31.9 to 1	28.1 to 1	25.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.9%	Down from 93.2%	89.3%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$5,960	Up 5.4%	\$6,343	\$7,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	51.7%	Down from 52.6%	57.3%	55.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	56.1%	Down from 56.4%	62.1%	60.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Modern Language Program Assessment	Average	N/A	Good	Good
Classical Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Average	Average
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		91.9%	90.5%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2007-2008 school year at Boiling Springs High School was a time of reevaluation and implementation of curriculum and instructional strategies. Parents continued to be involved in our school environment in a positive way. Teachers and administrators worked in conjunction with the Spartanburg School District Two district office to develop Curriculum Guides to direct BEST educational practices among our instructors. Most importantly, students came to school and received a world-class education from our exceptional faculty every day!

The school community continued its emphasis on our School Literacy Program with Silent Sustained Reading (SSR) and reading incentives. Special recognition for students and teachers for participation were awarded. Parents were encouraged to participate in our Literacy Program as positive role models for our students. We believe that this program will continue to benefit students in their academics. Cognitive Compatible Classroom practices were implemented, and teachers used these strategies to enrich the learning environment for our students. We began a discussion on the implementation of the High Schools That Work (HSTW) reform model at Boiling Springs High School which, when implemented, will give our students a rigorous and relevant education. We think these adjustments will reap excellent benefits for our students as they graduate into a continually changing work environment.

As always, student achievement is the number one priority at Boiling Springs High School. During the 2007-2008 school year, 64% of our students were members of our Renaissance Academic Club. Because of their focus on academic and community activities, the graduating class earned \$8,229,276.00 in scholarship dollars, which is an increase of \$2,926,276.00 over last year. For the first time students enrolled in Virtual School courses to extend their learning. The Boiling Springs High School Marching Band was the 2007-2008 South Carolina 5A Upper State Marching Band Champions. Our baseball team won the South Carolina 4A State Baseball Championship for the 2007-2008 school year. We certainly had many accomplishments to celebrate and many reasons to be proud of our student body during the year!

We are truly fortunate to have tremendous support from our parents and community. As a school of exceptional educators and a community of caring parents, we will continue to provide the BEST education that the state of South Carolina can offer. With an articulated focus on Academics, Arts, and Athletics, it is our belief that our students will continue to meet an ever-changing world ready to lead! Bulldog Pride!

Mr. Chuck D. Gordon, Principal
Mrs. Vee. Daniels, SIC Chairperson

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EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	83	394	178
Percent satisfied with learning environment	85.4%	64.2%	81.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	91.6%	76.4%	75.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	89.2%	79.5%	71.8%

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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