



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Dixie High
Abbeville
Grades: 8-12 **Enrollment: 406**
Principal: Steve Garrett
Superintendent: Dr. Ivan Randolph
Board Chair: James B. Tisdale, Jr.

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Good	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	Good	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	9	26	2	0

*Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/23/2010. 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	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
Passed 2 subtests (%)	84.4%	79.5%	79.9%	75.3%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	3.9%	17.9%	11.0%	12.9%
Passed no subtests (%)	11.7%	2.6%	9.1%	11.8%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.5%	93.8%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

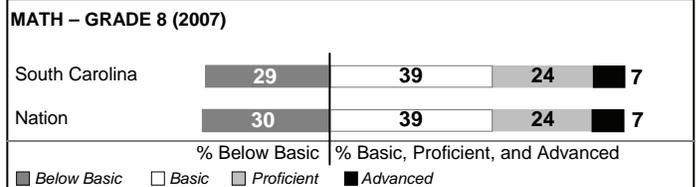
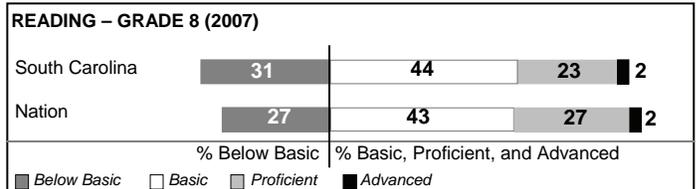
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	72	249
Number of Diplomas	61	183
Rate (%)	84.7%	75.0%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	81.0%	73.2%
English 1	69.9%	62.4%
Physical Science	63.4%	51.5%
US History and the Constitution	37.9%	37.0%
All Tests	63.8%	55.1%

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 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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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=406)				
Retention rate	12.3%	Up from 7.1%	4.6%	4.8%
Attendance rate	97.4%	Up from 95.9%	95.3%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	3.1%	No Change	11.7%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	12.7%	Down from 15.4%	13.7%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	10.8%	Up from 8.3%	8.7%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.7%	Down from 3.3%	0.9%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	11.6%	Down from 13.6%	13.2%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	47.7%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	25.0%	Down from 31.8%	30.8%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	3.7%	Up from 3.5%	4.2%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	18.2%	Up from 12.8%	3.1%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	255	Up from 214	480	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	84.0%	Up from 77.3%	79.7%	79.3%
Teachers (n=34)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.8%	Down from 62.1%	58.9%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	79.4%	Down from 93.1%	76.6%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 3.6%	6.0%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	95.4%	Down from 97.7%	86.8%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.5%	Up from 95.0%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,523	Up 2.1%	\$48,015	\$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.3%	Up from 1.0%	3.5%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	6.9 days	No Change	12.6 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.0 to 1	Down from 24.3 to 1	27.3 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.2%	Up from 89.9%	89.7%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,530	Down 0.8%	\$7,844	\$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.0%	Up from 57.1%	53.9%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.7%	Up from 60.7%	59.2%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	63.7%	Down from 93.8%	96.8%	95.8%
Character development program	Average	Up from Below Average	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	66.7%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Students at Dixie High School continued a tradition of academic, extracurricular, and athletic achievement in 2009. Twenty-five percent of the class of 2009 received life scholarships and a majority of the graduates are attending college.

Students in the FBLA continued to demonstrate excellence in competition, and five members qualified to compete at the national convention in California. Dixie students also excelled in fine arts; art students won several competitions, band students made region ensemble, and chorus students performed a very successful musical.

The academy for eighth grade has been an academic success in the first year of operation. Student retentions are down by over 50%, and discipline referrals for 8th grade is down over 75%. The academy team is revising plans for the 2010 school year to include classes which target gifted students in mathematics and ELA as well as academic assistance for students who may have fallen behind.

Students in grades 9-12 adjusted to the semester block schedule and are beginning to realize some of the benefits the schedule can offer. The addition of teacher cadets, culinary arts, psychology, and advanced fitness curriculum has enhanced Dixie High School's overall program. Plans are in place to add military history and to continue offering advanced placement classes.

Dixie will begin the High Schools That Work initiative in 2010 with a focus on higher expectations and greater academic support for students to meet rigorous academic requirements. With the continued commitment of the community, parents and teachers, students at Dixie High School will be offered a quality education and continue their tradition of excellence.

Steve Garrett, Principal
Diane Crenshaw, SIC Chairperson

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	25	63	25
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.8%	84.1%	60.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	87.3%	75.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	88.0%	88.7%	62.5%

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

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