



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**MIDLAND VALLEY HIGH**  
**Aiken**  
**Grades: 9-12** Enrollment: 1,227  
**Principal: Doris M. Hickson, Ed. D.**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt**  
**Board Chair: Dr. Christine Harkins**

## 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		
2010	Average	At-Risk	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Good	Silver	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Good	Silver	Silver	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	11	23	1	0

\*Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/24/2011. 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	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
Passed 2 subtests (%)	77.9%	72.9%	75.5%	77.8%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	13.4%	13.7%	13.3%	11.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	8.8%	13.4%	11.2%	11.0%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2010

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	88.8%	89.9%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

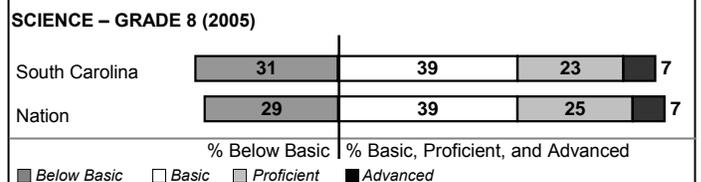
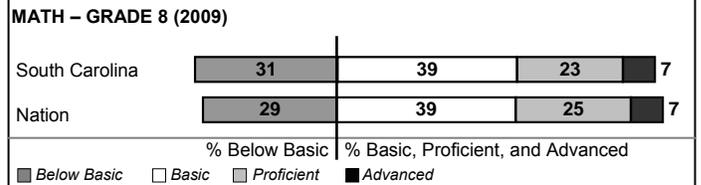
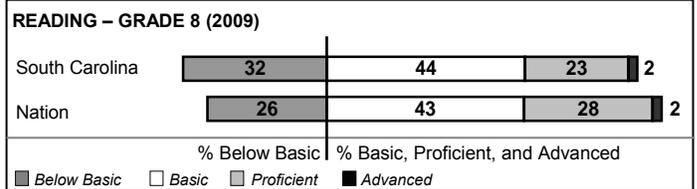
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	325	284
Number of Diplomas	213	200
Rate (%)	65.5%	71.2%

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	75.6	74.7
English 1	61.0	67.0
Physical Science	47.7	54.5
US History and the Constitution	28.3	42.8
All Tests	52.0	59.5

## 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 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
<b>Students (n=1,227)</b>				
Retention rate	5.5%	Down from 7.0%	3.7%	3.7%
Attendance rate	94.8%	No Change	95.3%	95.4%
Eligible for gifted and talented	15.3%	Up from 13.1%	11.9%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	12.0%	Up from 10.8%	13.1%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	12.9%	Up from 11.3%	9.4%	9.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.1%	1.2%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	16.7%	Up from 8.1%	13.0%	13.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	38.2%	Down from 44.4%	46.0%	50.4%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	44.2%	Up from 42.5%	30.8%	30.4%
Annual dropout rate	6.4%	Down from 8.0%	4.0%	3.1%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	13.7%	Up from 13.2%	1.0%	2.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	663	Down from 749	407	424
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	69.6%	Down from 71.7%	78.4%	78.7%
<b>Teachers (n=62)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.9%	Up from 57.4%	59.4%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	77.4%	Up from 69.1%	80.3%	76.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	7.4%	Up from 4.8%	5.4%	6.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.4%	Down from 89.9%	87.6%	86.8%
Teacher attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 96.4%	95.5%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,038	Down 3.3%	\$47,289	\$47,390
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.8%	Down from 1.5%	1.7%	2.8%
Professional development days/teacher	10.8 days	Up from 6.8 days	10.8 days	10.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	3.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	31.5 to 1	Up from 28.8 to 1	27.0 to 1	25.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.4%	Down from 94.1%	89.2%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,702	Down 1.3%	\$7,751	\$7,974
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	58.0%	Up from 47.4%	54.6%	55.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.6%	Down from 61.9%	59.8%	60.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	82.5%	Up from 81.7%	95.4%	96.0%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	52.6%	Down from 76.5%	72.7%	69.2%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The conclusion of the 2009-2010 school year provides opportunities for the administration to reflect on the accomplishments of the Midland Valley High School (MVHS) Mustangs.

Our students distinguish themselves individually and collectively in a number of ways academically, socially, and athletically. Midland Valley High School is a Palmetto Silver Award Winner for academic success and closing the achievement gap. MVHS received the Red Carpet award for providing a family friendly environment. Additionally, MVHS received the State Department of Education Preparing for Life - Summa Cum Laude Award for High Improvement on the ACT.

Academically, one hundred students were awarded the Life Scholarship, fourteen received the Palmetto Fellows, and four students passed the Pro Start Culinary Arts National Test. The NJROTC Academic Team placed second out of 64 participating units in the region. The 2009-2010 senior class received over 5.7 million dollars in scholarships and grants.

MVHS students continue to compete and excel in local, regional, state and national competitions. In athletics, three teams won a regional title, The Archery Team won the State Title, and four students were region champions in track and field. Thirteen students signed athletic scholarships. One student participated in the Shrine Bowl, and two students participated in the North/South All Star football and softball games. Two students were named to the All State football and softball teams while one student was named to the soccer team. In weight lifting, three students achieved the status of region champions. The NJROTC and band participated in many community activities. Midland Valley High School's staff and students have excelled in service to the school and community.

To accommodate student and community needs, the Media Center hours are extended. Academic assistance is offered through the "Power of I" and teachers lead tutoring during and after school. Some teachers offer online tutoring through Moodle. Several student organizations provide academic assistance to their peers. Provisions are made for students to advance their academic standing through credit recovery, virtual school opportunities, HSAP remediation classes, and dual credit with Aiken Technical College and USC-Aiken.

Collectively, the MVHS faculty belongs to over 40 professional organizations and 60% hold advanced degrees. One coach assisted with coaching in the North-South All Star game and one assisted in the Shrine Bowl.

MVHS's faculty continues to serve as mentors, facilitators of knowledge, and providers of opportunities for students to excel. Combined with the support of families and the community, our aim is to improve the quality of life in the community and prepare students to serve globally.

Doris M. Hickson, Ed.D., Principal  
Carol Meyer, SIC Chairperson

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	64	218	36
Percent satisfied with learning environment	78.1%	65.3%	68.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	79.7%	72.7%	55.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	56.3%	79.6%	50.0%

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

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