



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**STROM THURMOND HIGH**  
**Edgefield**  
**Grades: 9-12** Enrollment: 876  
**Principal: Matthew T. Schilit**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Mary Rice-Crenshaw**  
**Board Chair: Sallie B. Cooks**

## 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	Good	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	Good	Excellent	Gold	Gold	Not Met	N/A

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

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	10	28	3	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 (%)	77.2%	77.8%	73.1%	77.0%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	7.5%	9.4%	14.0%	12.2%
Passed no subtests (%)	15.4%	12.7%	12.9%	11.7%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2010

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	91.6%	89.4%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	236	269
Number of Diplomas	170	187
Rate (%)	72.0%	71.0%

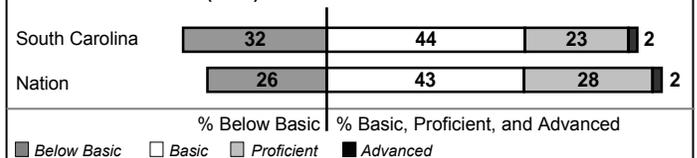
## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	76.9	73.3
English 1	66.3	63.4
Physical Science	47.2	50.5
US History and the Constitution	25.4	38.2
All Tests	51.1	55.1

## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

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

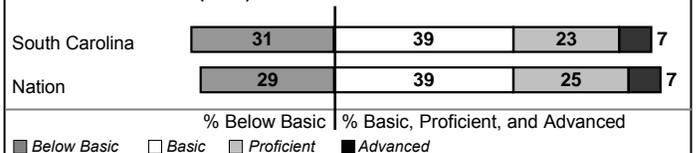
### READING – GRADE 8 (2009)



### MATH – GRADE 8 (2009)



### SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)



## 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=876)</b>				
Retention rate	4.1%	Up from 3.1%	3.7%	3.7%
Attendance rate	93.1%	Down from 97.1%	95.1%	95.4%
Eligible for gifted and talented	12.4%	Up from 0.0%	10.7%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	16.9%	Down from 17.2%	13.8%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	12.2%	Up from 10.5%	10.0%	9.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	5.5%	Up from 5.4%	0.4%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	13.2%	Up from 11.0%	11.8%	13.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	46.8%	Up from 45.8%	46.0%	50.4%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	64.0%	Up from 28.3%	30.9%	30.4%
Annual dropout rate	1.0%	Down from 2.3%	3.5%	3.1%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	1.8%	2.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	8	Down from 674	476	424
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	78.6%	Down from 92.3%	78.1%	78.7%
<b>Teachers (n=51)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	56.9%	Up from 42.6%	59.4%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	80.4%	Down from 83.3%	77.4%	76.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	8.7%	Up from 8.2%	6.5%	6.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.9%	Up from 89.2%	87.2%	86.8%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Down from 95.7%	95.3%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$43,419	Down 0.4%	\$47,038	\$47,390
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	7.8%	Up from 3.1%	1.6%	2.8%
Professional development days/teacher	8.4 days	Down from 12.7 days	10.0 days	10.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	25.9 to 1	Up from 25.2 to 1	26.8 to 1	25.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.8%	Down from 92.1%	89.2%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,064	Up 5.3%	\$7,940	\$7,974
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	56.7%	Up from 54.5%	55.6%	55.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.1%	Up from 55.9%	60.6%	60.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.7%	95.4%	96.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	58.8%	Down from 63.2%	68.7%	69.2%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

2009-2010 was a banner year for Strom Thurmond High School. For the first time in the history of the school, we were named a Red Carpet school by the State Department of Education. Strom Thurmond High School's active School Improvement Council was named an Honor Roll SIC by the state. We are proud to be a High Schools That Work site and had a successful year of implementation. Our Principal was selected to present at the National High Schools That Work conference in Kentucky. Once again, our SAT scores were above the state average, and we continue to offer a variety of AP courses to challenge and meet the needs of our students. The senior class was awarded numerous scholarships to a variety of colleges and universities. It is with pleasure that we developed and established the Thurmond Statesmen Institute, which provides students with a focus on justice and leadership.

Strom Thurmond High School had an outstanding sports year, highlighted by the girls golf individual state champion. Our football team won the region championship with an undefeated region record. The boys track team enjoyed another successful season on the way to a region championship. Strom Thurmond High School was a recipient of our region sportsmanship award from the South Carolina High School League for the second year in a row.

Our Rebel Regiment band had a great year and finished 4th in the state. Strom Thurmond's Mock Trial team was a state finalist, and our NJROTC program placed in several competitions they entered. Our talented drama students put on a world class show for our community.

Strom Thurmond High School has high expectations for all students and will continue those high expectations for years to come. We have a strong focus on teaching and learning and are proud of the opportunities available to all of our students. Here at the Rebel Zone, we are truly a High School That Works.

Matthew T. Schilit, Principal  
Patricia Williams, SIC Chair

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	54	199	34
Percent satisfied with learning environment	74.1%	79.9%	85.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	92.6%	85.9%	78.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	57.4%	85.3%	70.6%

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

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