



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**W J KEENAN HIGH**  
**Richland 1**  
**Grades: 9-12** Enrollment: 783  
**Principal: Mr. Alvin Pressley**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Percy A. Mack**  
**Board Chair: Vince Ford**

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

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

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	6	19	5	6

\*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 (%)	69.6%	71.1%	64.1%	68.7%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	15.2%	15.5%	17.6%	16.6%
Passed no subtests (%)	15.2%	13.4%	18.3%	15.1%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2010

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	83.5%	86.2%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

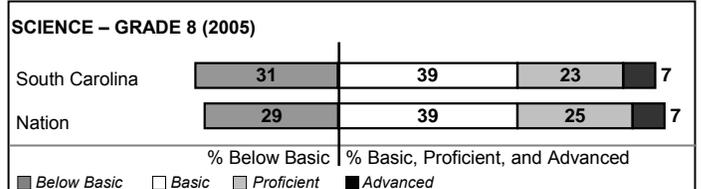
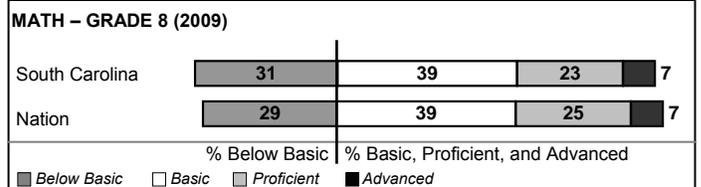
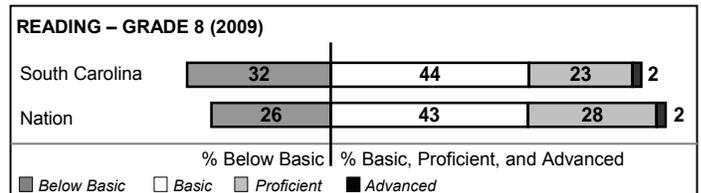
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	203	188
Number of Diplomas	135	129
Rate (%)	66.5%	70.2%

## 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	68.2	64.0
English 1	56.1	57.7
Physical Science	33.3	41.9
US History and the Constitution	16.4	29.0
All Tests	40.5	47.6

## 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=783)</b>				
Retention rate	5.0%	Down from 6.5%	4.5%	3.7%
Attendance rate	92.7%	Down from 94.7%	94.2%	95.4%
Eligible for gifted and talented	16.5%	Up from 8.2%	7.7%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	12.2%	Up from 12.0%	14.1%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	11.1%	Down from 12.8%	12.3%	9.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	4.0%	Up from 0.8%	0.8%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	24.3%	Down from 26.2%	7.6%	13.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	8.6%	Down from 13.3%	25.0%	50.4%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	24.6%	Up from 2.0%	27.8%	30.4%
Annual dropout rate	4.5%	Down from 5.7%	2.6%	3.1%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	4.1%	Up from 4.0%	5.0%	2.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	411	Down from 497	277	424
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	62.9%	Down from 63.0%	72.6%	78.7%
<b>Teachers (n=58)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	72.4%	Down from 73.3%	57.9%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	75.9%	Up from 71.7%	68.0%	76.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	8.8%	Up from 8.6%	12.5%	6.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.5%	Up from 84.7%	82.8%	86.8%
Teacher attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 95.1%	95.9%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$53,838	Up 3.1%	\$45,913	\$47,390
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.7%	Up from 1.0%	3.1%	2.8%
Professional development days/teacher	8.9 days	Down from 14.1 days	10.0 days	10.0 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 11.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.9 to 1	Up from 20.4 to 1	23.0 to 1	25.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	86.1%	Down from 87.6%	88.5%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,799	Down 1.1%	\$9,005	\$7,974
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.2%	Up from 58.9%	53.6%	55.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.0%	Down from 65.1%	59.2%	60.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 65.7%	96.0%	96.0%
Character development program	Average	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	76.9%	Up from 53.8%	64.7%	69.2%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	44	110	12
Percent satisfied with learning environment	88.4%	77.8%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.7%	83.5%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	63.6%	84.1%	83.3%

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

W. J. Keenan High School has experienced a productive and exciting school year! Our goals for the 2009-2010 school year will be to continue to increase student achievement. We will focus on continuing to make gains on all standardized tests such as HSAP, SAT, ACT, and End-of-Course. Additionally, we will focus on improving the graduation rate, attendance rate, and retention rates at each grade level. Our theme will remain: "Together We Can, Together We Will!" With the commitment of the faculty, staff, students, parents, and community, we will work toward constant improvement in all areas. Keenan continues to pursue and establish community and post-secondary partnerships that will assist our students. We will continue our partnerships with the University of South Carolina and Midlands Technical College. We are expanding our post-secondary partnerships to include Allen University. In addition, Keenan has formed a community partnership with DeQuincy Newman United Methodist Church.

W. J. Keenan is a High Schools That Work (HSTW) site. All teachers are trained in the utilization of "best practices" to increase the academic success of each student. Areas of focus, include literacy, development of senior projects, school data, career and technical training. We are a PBIS (Positive Behavior and Intervention Strategy) school developing strategies to recognize students for their positive behavior and achievements. All teachers are assigned to PLT (Professional Learning Teams) to develop instructional strategies to better serve our students. We believe in utilizing the most appropriate teaching strategies and infusing technology into the curriculum to capture and inspire our students.

Keenan has been recognized for the following: SAT rapid improvement; 1st place state Odyssey of the Mind winner; FFA was awarded state superior chapter award; the Robotics' team won the top award in the Palmetto Regional; Army ROTC has maintained honor unit of distinction rating; Keenan's Raider "Rubber" Band received excellent ratings at all SCBDA events and were grand champions at the Dillon Battle of the bands and Capitol City Classic; two chorus students and one band student received state recognition; Keenan's foreign language department received an excellent rating by the SDE (State Department of Education); Keenan won the region titles in boys track, girls tennis, volleyball, and boys basketball; Keenan boys basketball were the 2009-2010 state champions. Additionally, we were a Palmetto Gold Award recipient in 2008 and met Adequate Yearly Progress. We are proud of all of the accomplishments we have achieved and will continue to work hard every day to reach higher levels of success.

Alvin D. Pressley, Principal

James Starnes, School Improvement Chairperson

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