



SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Marlboro School District
Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 4,406
Superintendent: Dr. Helena Tillar
Board Chair: Lucy Parsons

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		
2011	At-Risk	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2010	Below Average	Good	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2009	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	3	8	2	7

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PASS

PASS	2011 Reading	2011 Math	2011 Science	2011 Social Studies	2011 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above			
District	57.0%	57.0%	45.1%	51.1%	56.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	60.3%	57.3%	50.8%	56.9%	60.1%
Average District	74.3%	73.6%	69.0%	73.0%	73.1%

PASS	2011 Reading	2011 Math	2011 Science	2011 Social Studies	2011 Writing
	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary
District	19.3%	14.8%	6.9%	11.9%	18.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	24.1%	18.2%	10.0%	16.5%	19.4%
Average District	40.4%	35.5%	23.3%	33.3%	33.7%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	65.4%	15.9%	18.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	66.2%	18.4%	15.4%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2011 (%)

District	79.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	86.5%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	45.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	46.4%

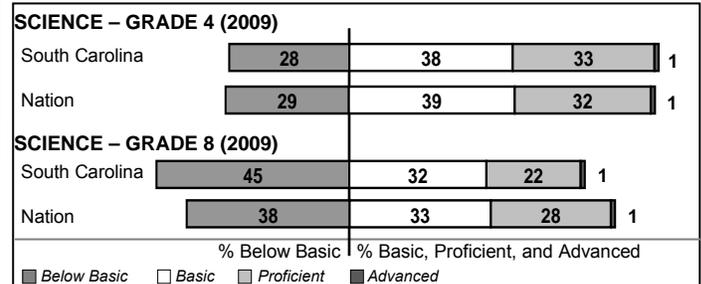
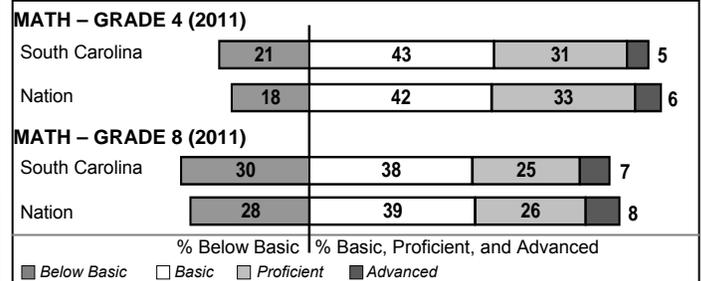
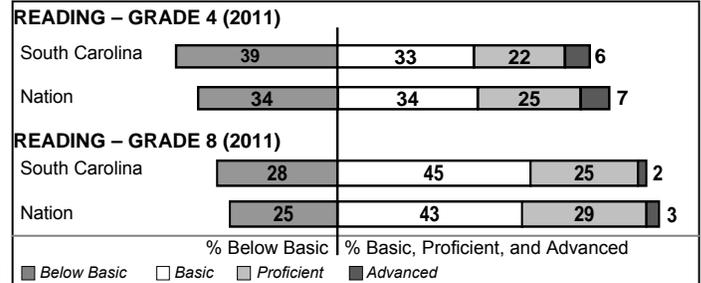
On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	61.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	73.2%

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NAEP*

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



SC PERFORMANCE 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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DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=4,406)				
Retention rate	3.5%	Down from 4.0%	3.0%	2.3%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 94.7%	96.0%	95.8%
Served by gifted and talented program	10.8%	Down from 12.9%	8.1%	14.0%
With disabilities other than speech	11.1%	Down from 13.1%	7.8%	7.4%
Older than usual for grade	3.6%	Down from 5.7%	4.2%	3.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	3.2%	Down from 3.8%	0.4%	0.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	3.8%	Up from 2.6%	3.8%	12.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	14.5%	Down from 50.0%	23.2%	52.9%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	27.1%	Up from 26.8%	28.1%	30.3%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	238	Up from 149	50	66
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	99	Up from 67	29	35
Annual dropout rate	1.8%	Down from 3.9%	2.2%	2.8%
Teachers (n=307)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	59.3%	Up from 57.0%	58.9%	61.2%
Continuing contract teachers	83.7%	Down from 84.8%	79.1%	85.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.6%	Up from 82.7%	85.4%	90.3%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Up from 95.4%	94.4%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$41,633	Down 1.5%	\$43,925	\$46,166
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.7%	Down from 3.2%	0.8%	0.0%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	12.3%	Down from 14.9%	4.5%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	8.7 days	Up from 7.4 days	12.5 days	12.2 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	1.0	N/R	1.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.0 to 1	Down from 19.1 to 1	20.7 to 1	21.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.4%	Up from 89.9%	89.5%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,776	Down 5.6%	\$10,636	\$9,140
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	49.2%	Up from 48.0%	48.5%	53.5%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	53.3%	Up from 51.4%	52.1%	56.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	Up from Poor	Good	Excellent
Number of schools	9	No Change	6	9
Portable classrooms	1.7%	Down from 3.6%	1.5%	1.4%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	9.0	No Change	5.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	85.9%	Down from 88.4%	94.4%	96.6%
Average administrator salary	\$68,587	Down 1.6%	\$72,235	\$78,000
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	84.0%		83.2%	93.1%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The School District of Marlboro County has the vision to be known beyond state and national borders for its high-quality schools. The district's mission is to effectively educate the children of Marlboro County. With our vision and mission in mind we are working to foster a culture of excellence in academics, the arts, technology and athletics in our school district.

We are proud of the many outstanding accomplishments our students achieved this year. Our staff is dedicated and committed to providing high quality instructional programs for all students, which is evident by the continuous improvement in the area of academic achievement. This year our district received a rating of Good in the improvement area on the State Report Card and moved closer to making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) by meeting 21 of 25 objectives which is an increase of 2 objectives met over the previous year. The Marlboro County High School also exhibited academic progress as there were increases in the passage rates on End-of-Course exams in Algebra I, Physical Science, and U. S. History.

The JROTC Department earned the status of Honor Unit with Distinction which placed the unit in the top 10% of Army JROTC units worldwide. In addition Lieutenant Colonel Justin Blum was selected by the United States Cadet Command as the National JROTC Instructor of the year. (This is the second time since 2003 that he has received the award.) A Special Education teacher from Bennettsville Middle School was the only teacher from South Carolina among 32 across the country to receive the National Teacher Award.

In school year 2009-2010 Wallace Elementary/Middle School, Marlboro County School of Discovery, Bennettsville Primary, McColl Elementary/Middle School, and Clio Elementary/Middle School were recognized for the highest levels of student academic achievement and high rates of improvement. These schools received a Palmetto Gold or Silver Award. The aforementioned schools also made Adequate Yearly Progress. Marlboro County School of Discovery garnered the Palmetto Silver Award for its efforts in closing the achievement gap. Five students across the district earned a perfect score on the PASS ELA test. Those students were from Bennettsville Elementary, Blenheim Elementary/Middle, Clio Elementary/Middle, McColl Elementary/Middle, and Wallace Elementary/Middle School.

In the area of athletics, our Lady Bulldog Softball Team was awarded Lower State Champions for 2010-11 in Class AAA.

The school year 2010-2011 was extremely challenging with unprecedented budget cuts; however, much progress was made in the School District of Marlboro County. The school district spent much of 2010-2011 in preparation for the AdvancED Quality Assurance visit scheduled for the Spring of 2012. We are committed to maintaining a high level of communication and involvement with all stakeholders in Marlboro County as we work to achieve academic excellence in teaching and learning. Special thanks goes to our teachers, the School Board, parents, students and the community for their support and commitment to the School District of Marlboro County. The support and commitment will go a long way in helping the School District of Marlboro County to be known beyond state and national borders for its high-quality schools as we strive to effectively educate the children of Marlboro County.

Dr. Helena Tillar, Superintendent

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