



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

BATTERY CREEK HIGH
Beaufort County
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 850
Principal: Edmond Burnes
Superintendent: Dr. Valerie Truesdale
Board Chair: Fred Washington

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	Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2009	Below Average	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
6	6	24	0	2

*Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. 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	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Passed 2 subtests (%)	67.0%	66.5%	76.2%	72.6%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	13.3%	19.1%	12.6%	16.8%
Passed no subtests (%)	19.8%	14.5%	12.3%	11.2%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	83.1%	89.6%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

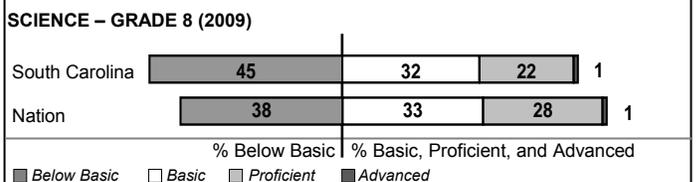
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	331	232
Number of Diplomas	212	154
Rate (%)	64.0%	71.8%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	69.9	73.7
English 1	68.2	58.8
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	57.0	61.5
Physical Science	46.7	50.5
US History and the Constitution	38.5	38.8
All Tests	54.3	55.9

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* 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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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=850)				
Retention rate	3.7%	Down from 4.8%	3.6%	3.4%
Attendance rate	99.6%	Up from 96.1%	95.3%	95.0%
Served by gifted and talented program	19.6%	Up from 10.9%	12.3%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	10.9%	No Change	10.0%	9.9%
Older than usual for grade	6.3%	Down from 10.0%	8.4%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.1%	No Change	0.5%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	47.8%	Up from 16.0%	8.0%	13.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	29.5%	Down from 40.3%	47.1%	51.7%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	31.4%	Down from 34.9%	29.3%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	2.3%	Up from 0.4%	2.9%	2.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	5.0%	Up from 1.1%	3.8%	2.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	580	Down from 781	304	419
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	75.7%	Up from 60.6%	83.0%	83.0%
Teachers (n=64)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	53.1%	Up from 50.6%	60.9%	61.1%
Continuing contract teachers	65.6%	Down from 66.7%	80.4%	80.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	75.3%	Down from 79.9%	86.1%	86.5%
Teacher attendance rate	94.6%	Up from 91.0%	95.7%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,144	Up 0.7%	\$46,880	\$46,884
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	9.3%	Up from 7.0%	2.4%	2.2%
Professional development days/teacher	16.2 days	Down from 16.4 days	10.6 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	4.8	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	25.2 to 1	Down from 27.9 to 1	25.4 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.4%	Up from 84.8%	89.6%	89.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,935	Down 0.2%	\$8,026	\$7,804
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	62.6%	Up from 61.2%	57.2%	58.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.4%	Up from 64.8%	61.5%	60.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	80.9%	Up from 69.2%	98.0%	97.3%
Character development program	Average	Up from Below Average	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	58.8%	Down from 70.6%	58.4%	65.2%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	46	113	28
Percent satisfied with learning environment	52.2%	43.4%	60.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	60.0%	48.6%	51.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	47.8%	70.6%	64.3%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Principal's/School Improvement Council Report

Battery Creek High School (BCHS) – Where Dolphins Make A Wave Every Day, is located in a rural area that is north and west of the city of Beaufort. We are one of the five public high schools in Beaufort County that is demographically 57.4% Black, 33.0% White, 8.0% Hispanic, and 1.7% Other. While we continue to predominately operate on an AB block schedule, we also have a few classes that meet daily. Our basic structure is driven by a focus on the selection of career majors.

For the third year in a row we have executed the concept of parents making honor rolls via our established "Parent Honor Roll" Program. Parents, by continuing to fulfill criteria established in support of discipline, attendance, and academics, were favored with two celebrations this past school year. The celebrations were by no means second to celebrations of athletic successes. More than six hundred parents were recently honored for making our Parent Honor Roll for positively impacting the lives of students by supporting our school's efforts or by simply being supportive of their children.

Driven by the pursuit of providing an optimal learning environment that will promote the greatest opportunities for success, our Leadership Team and all staff members have shared in the establishment of career academies. Cluster teams worked diligently to recommend practices for implementation. We hope to build on successes from the previous school year. Among the successes were improvements in end-of-course testing in Algebra 1, biology, English 1, physical science, and US History. In fact, the gains in Algebra 1 and English 1 were double digit gains. To enhance the likelihood of successes, we continued to employ our quarterly celebrations of student achievement, utilized pull-out programs, analyzed benchmark testing data to develop strategies for addressing areas of academic challenges, and offered extra help after school hours via our 21st Century Learning Center Grant. We also continued the execution of our Drop Everything and Do Math and Drop Everything and Read initiatives. Stakeholders are continually invited to share in the recommendation of the most effective use of funds to improve student achievement. Our School Improvement Council (SIC) and PTSO, in particular, have been deeply involved in decision making.

Extracurricular activity participation continued to be impressive at BCHS, and the excitement surrounding our student activity programs have approached new heights. The successes were complemented by a good number of students who were offered scholarships to participate in collegiate athletics. Three of our FBLA students placed first, and one placed third in the State FBLA competition. Our MCJROTC program maintained its recognition as a flagship cadet training organization throughout our State and was proud to be informed that the program was recognized as an honor school for the eighteenth consecutive year. In the field of athletics, our volleyball team, boys and girls basketball teams, wrestling team, and boys soccer team made the State playoffs. One of our wrestlers was crowned State champion. With pride, our motto: The Creek – Where Dolphins Make A Wave Every Day, has become an expectation.

Edmond Burnes, Principal
Betty Shell, School Improvement Council Chair

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