



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

LANCASTER HIGH
Lancaster County
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,517
Principal: Joseph C. Keenan
Superintendent: Richard E. Moore
Board Chair: Robert Parker

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 | Good | TBD | TBD | Not Met | N/A |
| 2010 | Average | At-Risk | N/A | N/A | Not Met | N/A |
| 2009 | 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 |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 9 | 7 | 23 | 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 (%) | 61.5% | 72.8% | 76.1% | 74.2% |
| Passed 1 subtest (%) | 21.2% | 12.4% | 12.7% | 15.5% |
| Passed no subtests (%) | 17.3% | 14.8% | 12.4% | 10.9% |

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

| | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Passage Rate | 90.2% | 89.9% |

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

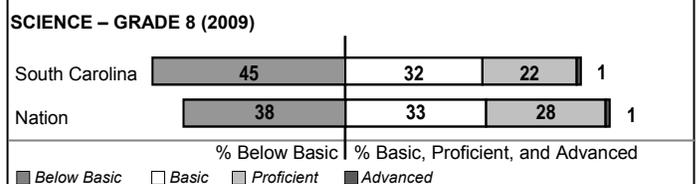
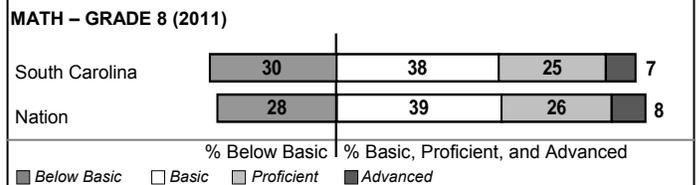
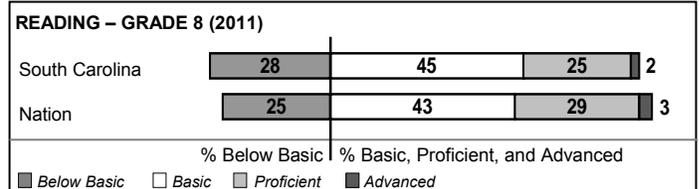
| | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Number of students | 418 | 252 |
| Number of Diplomas | 310 | 170 |
| Rate (%) | 74.2% | 71.1% |

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 | 53.6 | 74.0 |
| English 1 | 60.9 | 60.6 |
| Biology 1/Applied Biology 2 | 49.3 | 62.5 |
| Physical Science | 40.6 | 51.9 |
| US History and the Constitution | 27.8 | 42.1 |
| All Tests | 46.2 | 58.1 |

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=1,517) | | | | |
| Retention rate | 3.2% | Down from 4.1% | 3.8% | 3.4% |
| Attendance rate | 93.4% | Down from 95.7% | 95.1% | 95.0% |
| Served by gifted and talented program | 0.0% | No Change | 12.3% | 12.4% |
| With disabilities other than speech | 12.6% | Down from 14.4% | 10.2% | 9.9% |
| Older than usual for grade | 6.8% | Down from 7.9% | 8.1% | 7.1% |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 0.2% | No Change | 0.5% | 0.9% |
| Enrolled in AP/IB programs | 20.8% | Up from 17.1% | 11.0% | 13.0% |
| Successful on AP/IB exams | 28.0% | Down from 35.7% | 45.5% | 51.7% |
| Eligible for LIFE Scholarship | 57.2% | Up from 50.3% | 30.0% | 30.1% |
| Annual dropout rate | 4.1% | Up from 3.5% | 2.9% | 2.5% |
| Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations | 1.9% | Up from 1.4% | 3.0% | 2.9% |
| Enrollment in career/technology courses | 1136 | Down from 1229 | 366 | 419 |
| Career/technology students attaining technical skills | 6.0% | Down from 83.2% | 82.9% | 83.0% |
| Teachers (n=109) | | | | |
| Teachers with advanced degrees | 53.2% | Up from 52.5% | 60.4% | 61.1% |
| Continuing contract teachers | 78.9% | Up from 68.3% | 80.4% | 80.6% |
| Teachers returning from previous year | 88.6% | Up from 87.8% | 86.7% | 86.5% |
| Teacher attendance rate | 96.1% | Up from 96.0% | 95.5% | 95.5% |
| Average teacher salary* | \$47,047 | Down 2.1% | \$46,546 | \$46,884 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers | 0.6% | Down from 1.3% | 2.0% | 2.2% |
| Professional development days/teacher | 12.4 days | Down from 13.3 days | 10.2 days | 10.0 days |
| School | | | | |
| Principal's years at school | 15.0 | No Change | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects | 26.3 to 1 | Up from 25.5 to 1 | 26.5 to 1 | 26.5 to 1 |
| Prime instructional time | 88.9% | Down from 91.1% | 89.4% | 89.3% |
| Dollars spent per pupil** | \$7,412 | Down 1.3% | \$7,929 | \$7,804 |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries** | 66.1% | Up from 64.4% | 57.8% | 58.0% |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction** | 69.0% | Up from 68.9% | 61.1% | 60.6% |
| Opportunities in the arts | Excellent | No Change | Good | Excellent |
| SACS accreditation | Yes | No Change | Yes | Yes |
| Parents attending conferences | 98.7% | Up from 96.5% | 97.4% | 97.3% |
| Character development program | Excellent | No Change | Good | Good |
| % of AYP objectives met | 57.1% | Up from 42.9% | 61.9% | 65.2% |

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The mission of Lancaster High School is to assist students in becoming successful, well adjusted contributing members of society by providing an atmosphere which encourages academic, vocational, and personal growth through a challenging curriculum in partnership with home and community. During the fall of 2010, LHS completed a successful review from the High School That Works Visiting Committee. Areas of excellence and areas of need were recognized by the visiting team. Our Project Lead the Way program was accredited in the spring of 2011 by a visiting team. Both of these visiting committees gave the school validation and areas to continue to address.

Our seniors distinguished themselves in the classroom. One hundred ninety one students graduated with a G.P.A. over 3.00. Nine seniors were Palmetto Fellows recipients and two seniors were S.C. Academic Award recipients. Our students' SAT scores improved by ninety points, on average. Students were recognized on the state and national levels for their civic, journalistic, and athletic successes. The Junior Civitans continue to sponsor the Back Pack Feeding Program, which provides 175 meals per week to local students. Thirteen out of our twenty athletic teams qualified for the state playoffs this year. Our Fine Arts Department and ROTC continue to excel and provide opportunities for our students.

Our teachers concentrated on student needs inside and outside the classroom. They participated in Professional Learning Teams throughout the school, focusing on improving instructional delivery. Sandra Ovalles was recognized as District Secondary Teacher of the year. Three of our teachers earned national board certification. Dianne Mahaffee was named High School Teacher of the year by the South Carolina Art Education Association. As we look toward to next year, we are adding new classes in Fire Fighter Training in collaboration with Lancaster County. We also received a \$20,000 Advance SC grant to upgrade our efforts to implement the Cisco Networking Academy into our Career and Technology curriculum. We face many challenges and opportunities next year. All of us working together can achieve much. We welcome your involvement in our students' futures.

Principal - Joseph C. Keenan, Ed. D.
School Improvement Council Chair – John Smyre

EVALUATION RESULTS

| | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned | 89 | 309 | 155 |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment | 88.6% | 78.9% | 91.4% |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 95.5% | 79.2% | 83.8% |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations | 63.6% | 86.2% | 88.2% |

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

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