



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**SPRING VALLEY HIGH**  
**Richland 2**  
**Grades: 9-12**      **Enrollment: 2,072**  
**Principal: Dr. Gregory C. Owings**  
**Superintendent: Katie Brochu, Ed.D.**  
**Board Chair: Stephanie Burgess, Ph.D.**

## 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 | Excellent       | Good          | TBD                            | TBD             | Not Met    | N/A                     |
| 2010 | Excellent       | Below Average | N/A                            | Silver          | Not Met    | N/A                     |
| 2009 | Good            | 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 |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 18        | 4    | 4       | 0             | 0       |

\*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 (%)  | 83.0%           | 85.8% | 84.2%                                | 84.6% |
| Passed 1 subtest (%)   | 8.9%            | 6.2%  | 9.2%                                 | 9.8%  |
| Passed no subtests (%) | 8.1%            | 8.1%  | 7.3%                                 | 6.2%  |

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

|              | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Passage Rate | 94.7%           | 94.0%                                |

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

|                    | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Number of students | 526             | 401                                  |
| Number of Diplomas | 386             | 313                                  |
| Rate (%)           | 73.4%           | 78.8%                                |

## 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 | 92.0            | 79.8                                 |
| English 1                             | 75.5            | 73.1                                 |
| Biology 1/Applied Biology 2           | 86.6            | 76.9                                 |
| Physical Science                      | 73.2            | 65.0                                 |
| US History and the Constitution       | 60.2            | 57.6                                 |
| All Tests                             | 76.3            | 70.6                                 |

## 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 |
|--|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Students (n=2,072)</b>  |            |                       |                                      |                    |
| Retention rate   | 4.1%       | Down from 5.5%        | 2.8%                                 | 3.4%               |
| Attendance rate  | 96.0%      | Down from 96.8%       | 94.8%                                | 95.0%              |
| Served by gifted and talented program  | 24.5%      | Down from 29.0%       | 17.6%                                | 12.4%              |
| With disabilities other than speech  | 8.2%       | Down from 9.3%        | 8.3%                                 | 9.9%               |
| Older than usual for grade   | 6.4%       | Down from 8.1%        | 5.3%                                 | 7.1%               |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 3.2%       | Down from 3.8%        | 1.2%                                 | 0.9%               |
| Enrolled in AP/IB programs   | 30.8%      | Up from 23.5%         | 26.4%                                | 13.0%              |
| Successful on AP/IB exams  | 88.7%      | Up from 84.5%         | 56.9%                                | 51.7%              |
| Eligible for LIFE Scholarship  | 30.3%      | Up from 29.7%         | 34.6%                                | 30.1%              |
| Annual dropout rate  | 2.6%       | Down from 2.7%        | 2.4%                                 | 2.5%               |
| Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations                    | 4.7%       | Down from 5.0%        | 4.1%                                 | 2.9%               |
| Enrollment in career/technology courses                                      | 980        | Down from 1003        | 720                                  | 419                |
| Career/technology students attaining technical skills                        | 83.3%      | Up from 80.6%         | 83.7%                                | 83.0%              |
| <b>Teachers (n=130)</b>  |            |                       |                                      |                    |
| Teachers with advanced degrees   | 71.5%      | Down from 72.7%       | 64.5%                                | 61.1%              |
| Continuing contract teachers   | 73.1%      | Up from 68.2%         | 82.2%                                | 80.6%              |
| Teachers returning from previous year  | 90.0%      | Up from 86.9%         | 88.2%                                | 86.5%              |
| Teacher attendance rate  | 99.6%      | Up from 96.0%         | 95.4%                                | 95.5%              |
| Average teacher salary*  | \$54,653   | Down 1.2%             | \$48,541                             | \$46,884           |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                              | 2.8%       | Down from 3.3%        | 0.8%                                 | 2.2%               |
| Professional development days/teacher  | 7.1 days   | Down from 7.2 days    | 10.5 days                            | 10.0 days          |
| <b>School</b>  |            |                       |                                      |                    |
| Principal's years at school  | 11.0       | No Change             | 4.0                                  | 4.0                |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                       | 29.9 to 1  | Up from 28.6 to 1     | 28.6 to 1                            | 26.5 to 1          |
| Prime instructional time   | 95.6%      | Up from 92.0%         | 89.1%                                | 89.3%              |
| Dollars spent per pupil**  | \$8,220    | Down 8.4%             | \$6,979                              | \$7,804            |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**                               | 65.7%      | Up from 61.4%         | 61.0%                                | 58.0%              |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                                    | 69.1%      | Up from 66.4%         | 64.0%                                | 60.6%              |
| Opportunities in the arts  | Excellent  | No Change             | Excellent                            | Excellent          |
| SACS accreditation   | Yes        | No Change             | Yes                                  | Yes                |
| Parents attending conferences  | 64.4%      | Down from 78.7%       | 98.6%                                | 97.3%              |
| Character development program  | Excellent  | No Change             | Good                                 | Good               |
| % of AYP objectives met  | 84.2%      | Up from 70.6%         | 76.2%                                | 65.2%              |

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Spring Valley High School enjoyed another banner year in 2010-11. Spring Valley received an Excellent Rating on the School Report Card and our SAT, ACT, and AP scores were all above the national average. Spring Valley was recognized by the State Department of Education for their high performance on the ACT and SAT tests, and for closing the achievement gap. Our Math and Mock Trial Teams were very successful in state competitions. The students in our Magnet Program won over 60 awards for science research at the South Carolina Junior Academy of Science Competition, and Afia Khan placed third in the world at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair. The senior class had 8 National Merit Finalists, 38 Palmetto Fellows, 31 High School League Scholar Athletes, 64 Hope Scholarships and 121 Life Scholarship recipients. This senior class surpassed all other classes in Spring Valley history with over \$44 million in offered scholarships, and over 66% of the seniors received a scholarship. The Viking Band, Viking Singers and Orchestra received superior ratings at all of their competitions. Our ROTC Drill Team won the State Championship for the 26th consecutive year and they were also named a Top National Distinguished ROTC Unit. In athletics, six teams won Region Championships. Our Boys Track Team was State Runner-up and our Girls Basketball Team won the State Championship and ended up the season ranked number two nationally by Max Preps. 59 teachers have earned National Board Certification. Coach Anne Long was selected by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association as the 2011 District III National Coach of the Year. Chief Perry Langston and Major Frank Ward were selected for the 2011 Outstanding Instructor Award and the Outstanding Instructor Award with Merit. Dr. Greg Owings was named South Carolina Secondary Principal of the Year. The GBE Goals for teachers focused on resume writing and careers in each discipline. Spring Valley established eight school improvement focus teams that involved all faculty members in action planning.

Greg Owings, Principal  
Sally Tryon, SIC Chairperson

## EVALUATION RESULTS

|  | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 66       | 344       | 54       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 97.0%    | 79.3%     | 88.2%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 97.0%    | 86.0%     | 83.3%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 93.8%    | 84.8%     | 75.9%    |

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

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