



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Lexington Technology Center  
 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 2,477  
 Director: Ken W. Lake  
 Board Chair: Cynthia S. Smith  
 Superintendent: Dr. Karen C. Woodward

## PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD |                 | ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM |                          |
|------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------------|
|      |                 |               | General Performance            | Closing the Gap | ESEA Grade                                | Accountability Indicator |
| 2012 | Good            | At-Risk       | TBD                            | TBD             | Met                                       | N/A                      |
| 2011 | Excellent       | Good          | Gold                           | N/A             | Met                                       | N/A                      |
| 2010 | Excellent       | Good          | Gold                           | N/A             | Met                                       | N/A                      |

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS IN SC\*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 20        | 9    | 4       | 4             | 2       |

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 12/13/2012. All Career Centers in South Carolina are included.

## TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at a center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.

| Our Center |       | State Center Average (%) |       |
|------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| n          | %     | n                        | %     |
| 1997       | 88.9% |                          | 89.2% |

## GRADUATION RATE

The number of 12th grade career technology education students who graduate in the spring is divided by the number of 12th graders enrolled in the center and converted to a percentage.

| Our Center |       | State Center Average (%) |       |
|------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| n          | %     | n                        | %     |
| 511        | 96.3% |                          | 95.4% |

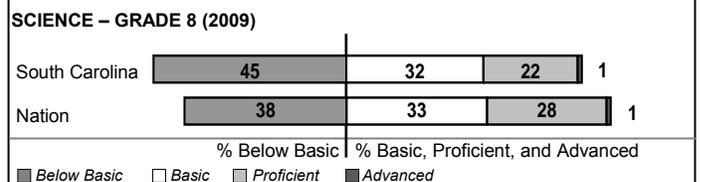
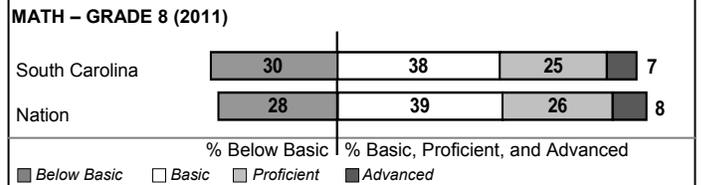
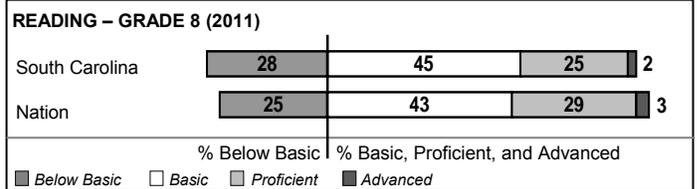
## PLACEMENT RATE

The number of career and technology completers who are available for placement in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment is divided into the number of students over a three-year period who are actually placed and converted to a percentage. This criterion mirrors the Perkins standard.

| Our Center |       | State Center Average (%) |       |
|------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| n          | %     | n                        | %     |
| 790        | 97.9% |                          | 96.5% |

## 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.*

### Abbreviations Key

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# Lexington Technology Center [Lexington 1]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

|   | Our Center | Change from Last Year | Median Career Center |
|---|------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Students (n=2,477)</b>                                 |            |                       |                      |
| With disabilities other than speech                       | 3.5%       | Down from 3.7%        | 8.9%                 |
| Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations | 64.9%      | Down from 70.5%       | 19.4%                |
| Enrollment in career/technology courses                   | 2477       | Up from 2440          | 619                  |
| Students participating in work-based experiences          | 5.7%       | Down from 12.5%       | 15.2%                |
| <b>Teachers (n=38)</b>                                    |            |                       |                      |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                            | 34.2%      | No Change             | 26.1%                |
| Continuing contract teachers                              | 84.2%      | Up from 76.3%         | 73.1%                |
| Teachers returning from previous year                     | 95.3%      | Up from 94.4%         | 90.4%                |
| Teacher attendance rate                                   | 96.3%      | Up from 95.9%         | 95.5%                |
| Average teacher salary*                                   | \$51,709   | Up 0.5%               | \$47,713             |
| Professional development days/teacher                     | 21.1 days  | Up from 15.7 days     | 11.0 days            |
| <b>Center</b>   |            |                       |                      |
| Director's years at Center                                | 27.0       | Up from 26.0          | 6.5                  |
| Dollars spent per pupil**                                 | \$2,111    | Up 20.4%              | \$3,345              |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**            | 55.1%      | Down from 59.4%       | 56.2%                |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                 | 64.6%      | Down from 67.5%       | 66.0%                |
| Parents attending conferences                             | 62.5%      | Down from 100.0%      | 77.0%                |

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

|  | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 30       | 208       | 67       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 90.0%    | 96.6%     | 93.9%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 96.7%    | 98.1%     | 88.1%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 96.7%    | 93.1%     | 83.6%    |

\* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Lexington Technology Center teachers embraced 21st century learning practices in 2011-2012, resulting in strong student performance. Teachers developed common assessments within the Career and Technology Education (CATE) subject areas. Both formative and summative assessments have provided the foundation to extend student learning and help make students accountable for their own learning.

The iPad implementation has provided a unique opportunity for administrators, teachers and students to adapt to a new form of personal mobile computing. Many student assignments are now sent electronically to teachers for review and grading. We have been able to collaborate between the administration and instructional staff using the iPad. Some of our current textbooks, such as our welding book, are now available as eBooks. Students complete assignments, assessments and projects, and email them to their instructors. In most cases, their assignments are assessed in an efficient, effective manner. As we work to develop more independent, problem-solving students, the iPad will prove to be a valuable asset in this process. For the 2012-2013 school year, we will update nine computer labs at the center with new IBM laptops. This has been a concern of our business education advisory committee for the past two years since state-approved instructional software and books are offered at a more advanced level than our old computers could support.

Two concerns that have been reviewed by our school improvement council are non-traditional retention and district funding for our instructional programs. Recent Perkins data indicates we fail to meet the retention rate for non-traditional students. We have implemented an improvement plan to address this problem and hope to see significant changes in next year's data. Working with the S.C. State Department of Education, we have negotiated a target retention rate that would better represent the populations of our students. Finally, as most state agencies and state government have lived with budget cuts, we too have lost funding at the district level for our instructional program. Last year, we were cut \$14,000 in anticipated funding for our instructional supplies. The only way to balance this deficit is by increasing our student fees. Obviously, this is not a position that we would like to support since everyone's budget is stretched to the limit. We are hopeful that the state legislature will recognize the impact of not fully funding the Education Finance Act, which impacts every student in our state.

We are pleased with the community support from business and industry for each of our CATE areas. We hope each parent will take the opportunity to visit Lexington Technology Center in August during our open house and look forward to the 2012-2013 school year.

Director Ken Lake and SIC Chair Jacob Carter

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