



## Silver Bluff High School

64 Desoto Drive  
Aiken, SC 29803

<b>Grades</b>	9-12 High School	
<b>Enrollment</b>	690 Students	
<b>Principal</b>	Collette Johnson	803-652-8100
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<b>Board Chair</b>	Ms. Rosemary B. English	803-648-1128

# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2012 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD



## RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
<b>2012</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Below Average</b>
2011	Good	Average
2010	Average	Below Average
2009	Average	Below Average
2008	Average	Below Average

## DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

## SOUTH CAROLINA 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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**ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS**

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
12	15	13	0	3

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/14/2012.

**High School Assessment Program (HSAP) Exam Passage Rate: Second Year Students**

Percent	Our High School			High Schools with Students Like Ours		
	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
Passed 2 subtests (%)	79.4%	84.0%	78.5%	77.2%	76.5%	76.1%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	8.8%	7.4%	12.7%	11.7%	13.7%	14.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	11.8%	8.6%	8.9%	11.4%	10.3%	11.7%

**HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2012**

Percent	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	92.4%	90.6%

**Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate**

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2011*	2012	2011	2012
Number of Students in Four-Year Cohort	194	178	281	262
Number of Graduates in Cohort	144	136	188	181
Rate	74.2%	76.4%	70.3%	73.0%

\*Used to calculate current ESEA/Federal Accountability Grade.

**Five-Year Graduation Rate**

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2011	2012	2011	2012
Number of Students in Cohort	201	196	267	271
Number of Graduates in Cohort	145	148	189	194
Rate	72.1%	75.5%	69.1%	75.5%

**End of Course Tests**

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours*
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	79.8%	75.2%
English 1	75.2%	65.0%
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	92.6%	75.2%
US History and the Constitution	39.9%	47.2%
All Tests	68.8%	65.4%

\* High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

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## School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=690)</b>				
Retention rate	3.7%	Down from 5.1%	3.2%	3.0%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 95.1%	95.7%	95.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Up from 0.3%	0.5%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	26.0%	Up from 14.6%	11.1%	13.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	39.8%	Up from 38.0%	43.7%	50.9%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	56.3%	Up from 32.4%	30.6%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	2.8%	Down from 4.7%	2.6%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	3.1%	2.7%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	284	Down from 332	441	395
Students participating in work-based experiences	3.1%	Down from 10.2%	14.7%	7.4%
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	72.5%	Up from 71.4%	82.0%	84.0%
Career/technology completers placed	94.7%	Up from 87.5%	97.8%	98.4%
<b>Teachers (n=43)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	60.5%	Up from 55.0%	60.5%	63.2%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	85.0%	Down from 87.0%	87.3%	86.6%
Teacher attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 95.4%	95.9%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,992	Down 3.3%	\$46,992	\$47,326
Professional development days/teacher	7.4 days	No Change	10.9 days	9.7 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	29.7 to 1	Up from 28.8 to 1	27.6 to 1	27.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.4%	Up from 89.0%	90.2%	89.4%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,884	Up 6.4%	\$7,884	\$7,708
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.9%	Down from 57.0%	57.3%	57.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	57.6%	Down from 58.6%	60.1%	59.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	98.7%	97.8%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
Modern language program assessment	N/A	N/A	Good	Good
Classical language program assessment	N/A	N/A	N/A	Average

\* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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## Performance By Student Groups

	HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2012		End of Course Tests Passage Rate		On-time Graduation Rate, 2012	
	n	%	t	%	n	%
All Students	158	92.4%	475	68.8%	178	76.4%
<b>Gender</b>						
Male	63	90.5%	245	68.2%	75	68.0%
Female	95	93.7%	229	69.9%	103	82.5%
<b>Racial/Ethnic Group</b>						
White	82	98.8%	251	76.9%	93	80.6%
African American	67	83.6%	193	58.5%	74	70.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	26	65.4%	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Disability Status</b>						
Disabled	28	64.3%	37	45.9%	22	27.3%
<b>Migrant Status</b>						
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>English Proficiency</b>						
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	16	56.3%	N/A	N/A
<b>Socio-Economic Status</b>						
Subsidized meals	97	90.7%	299	64.5%	117	70.1%

NOTE: n=number of students on which percentage is calculated; t=number of tests taken.

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## Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Silver Bluff High School has been awarded a Palmetto Silver Award in the Closing the Achievement Gap category by the South Carolina Department of Education for the 2011-2012 school year. This is an award that the entire Silver Bluff community can be proud of. A well-established thirty-year tradition of excellence is the driving force behind the school's accomplishments. Accredited by the State Department of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Silver Bluff High School provides all students with opportunities to become responsible life-long learners. The faculty, staff, and administration of Silver Bluff High School remain committed to maintaining high academic expectations for all students. In 2011-2012, we continued work on our highly successful "Freshman Academy" program, and raised emphasis on communication with parents through newsletters and the use of an automated phone calling system. For the 2012-2013 school year, these areas will continue to receive focused concentration, along with developing rigorous instructional programs using the Common Core State Standards. Research indicates that schools with strong extra-curricular involvement foster positive academic environments. The rich tradition of success in these areas continued in 2011-2012. The Football, Boys' Basketball, and Baseball Teams are all Region 5-AA Champions. The SBHS Football team advanced to the Lower State Title game. The Silver Spirit Band finished fourth at the SCBDA Lower State Championships, which qualified them for their twentieth consecutive visit to the SCBDA State Marching Championships, where they finished ninth. This school year signified many "firsts" for Silver Bluff High School. Among them, we established The National Technical Honor Society and the Geardogs Robotics Team. Our culinary program successfully completed its first year in a kitchen equipped with commercial appliances and other equipment. Silver Bluff High School is poised for continued success in 2012-2013, and we look forward to working with you to maximize your child's high school experience.

Authors: Thea Brooks, SBHS School Improvement Council Chairperson and Fran Altringer, SBHS Principal

## Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	31	121	71
Percent satisfied with learning environment	83.9%	53.8%	79.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	87.1%	57.0%	67.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	74.2%	69.4%	78.6%

\* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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**ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System**

In July 2012, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/esea/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

<b>Overall Weighted Points Total</b>	<b>79.3</b>
<b>Overall Grade Conversion</b>	<b>C</b>

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the state's expectations

**Accountability Indicator for Title I Schools**

Silver Bluff High School school has been designated as a:

- Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
- Title I Reward School for Progress – one of the schools with substantial progress in student subgroups.
- Title I Focus School – one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
- Title I Priority School – one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
- Title I School – does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
- Non-Title I School – therefore the designations above are not applicable.

**Teacher Quality Data**

	Our District	State
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.9%	2.6%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.5%	5.1%

	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.4%	0.0%	No

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## Performance By Group

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Graduation Rate
<b>Grades 9-12</b>							
All Students	229	231	72	71	98.1	97.5	74.2
Male	224	231	73	69	96.2	96.2	60.0
Female	233	232	72	72	100.0	98.8	85.3
White	236	240	75	72	98.7	97.5	76.0
African American	221	221	70	67	97.2	97.2	69.1
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	92.3
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disabled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	36.4
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized meals	225	227	68	68	98.1	97.2	65.3
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	223	220	76	71	95.0	95	73.1

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## Two-Year HSAP Trend Data

	School Year	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Below Basic	% Basic	% Proficient	% Advanced	School % Proficient or Advanced*
<b>English/Language Arts</b>								
All Students	2011	176	98.9	9.9	35.5	26.2	28.5	69.2
	2012	162	98.1	13.9	33.8	35.1	17.2	67.5
<b>Mathematics</b>								
All Students	2011	176	99.4	12.7	30.1	41.6	15.6	65.3
	2012	162	97.5	15.2	26.5	39.1	19.2	68.2

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