



# SC Annual District Report Card Summary

**SPARTANBURG 3 School District**  
**Grades: PK-12** Enrollment: 2,874  
**Superintendent: James O. Ray**  
**Board Chair: Eddie Dearybury**

## 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
2014	Excellent	Average	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2013	Good	Good	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2012	Good	Good	N/A	N/A	A	N/A

### ABSOLUTE RATING OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
14	4	4	0	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

## SC PASS

SC PASS	2014 Reading	2014 Math	2014 Science	2014 Social Studies	2014 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above			
District	75.5%	73.8%	77.2%	82.1%	77.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	73.5%	72.6%	69.5%	75.3%	75.5%
Average District	73.9%	72.3%	70.2%	75.9%	76.2%

## SC PASS

SC PASS	2014 Reading	2014 Math	2014 Science	2014 Social Studies	2014 Writing
	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary
District	42.8%	35.2%	31.5%	39.3%	36.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	41.1%	35.9%	24.9%	35.4%	36.5%
Average District	42.4%	36.6%	26.6%	37.5%	38.6%

## HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests	Passed 1 Subtest	Passed No Subtests
District	67.5%	18.1%	14.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	76.6%	14.3%	9.1%

### HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2014 (%)

District	90.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	92.1%

### End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	79.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.0%

### On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

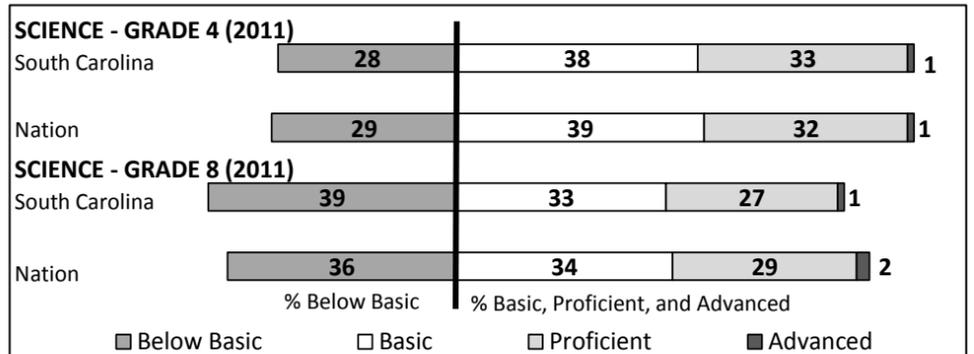
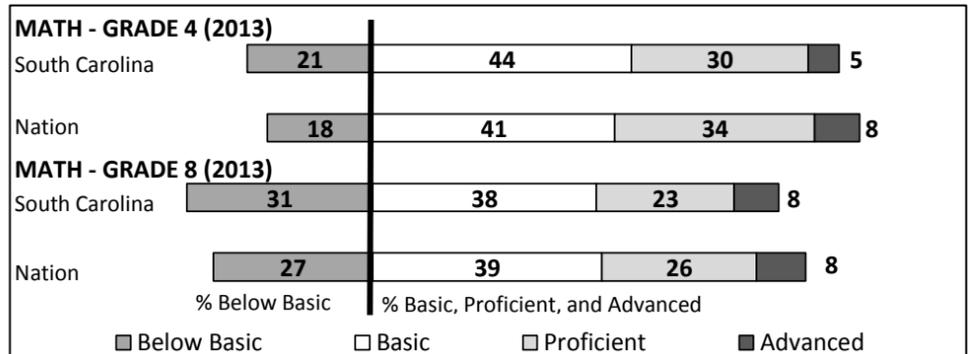
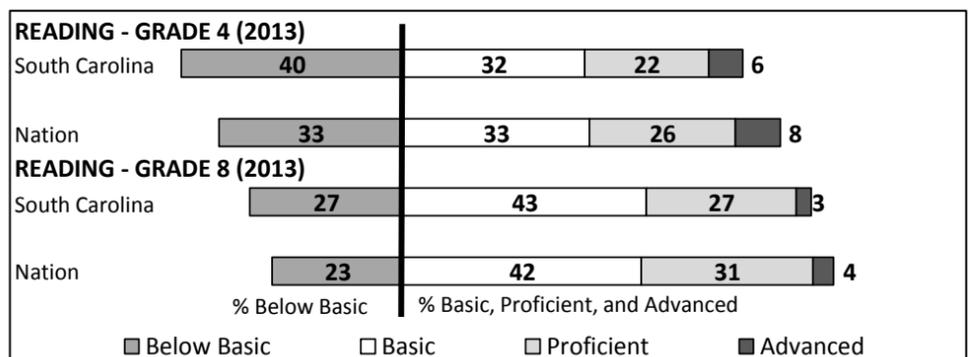
District	80.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	79.9%

\*\* Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

## NAEP\*

\*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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**SPARTANBURG 3 School District**

**DISTRICT PROFILE**

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
<b>Students (n = 2,874)</b>				
Retention Rate	1.4%	Down from 1.7%	1.9%	2.1%
Attendance Rate	95.3%	Down from 95.4%	96.4%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	16.6%	Up from 15.7%	15.1%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	18.2%	Up from 17.3%	13.6%	13.1%
Older than usual for grade	3.3%	Down from 4.0%	3.8%	4.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.2%	Down from 0.4%	0.6%	0.7%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	8.1%	Down from 10.5%	19.7%	15.7%
Successful on AP/IB exams	81.6%	Down from 85.7%	61.0%	51.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	0.0%	Down from 57.1%	35.1%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	34	Up from 10	161	115
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	6	Up from 2	39	31
Annual dropout rate	2.6%	Up from 2.1%	2.3%	2.3%

**Teachers (n = 192)**

Teachers with advanced degrees	62.5%	Down from 64.2%	63.6%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	84.9%	Up from 80.8%	82.3%	79.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.1%	Down from 90.2%	91.2%	90.1%
Teacher attendance rate	94.7%	Down from 95.0%	95.1%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,712	Down 0.8%	\$48,637	\$47,169
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.5%	Up from 0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.0%	Up from 0.6%	3.4%	4.2%
Professional development days/teacher	14.6 days	Up from 14.3 days	11.1 days	11.1 days

**District**

Superintendent's years at district	17.0	Up from 16.0	6.0	5.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.8 to 1	Up from 20.7 to 1	20.7 to 1	20.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.6%	Down from 88.8%	90.2%	90.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$10,426	Up 0.9%	\$9,264	\$9,403
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	51.1%	Up from 50.0%	53.6%	52.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	53.1%	Up from 52.0%	56.2%	55.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	7	No change	13	9
Portable classrooms	0.0%	No change	1.0%	0.8%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	7.0	No change	13.0	9.0
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 92.7%	100.0%	100.0%
Average administrator salary	\$88,847	Down 1.3%	\$80,123	\$79,777
Number of charter schools	0	No change	0	0
ESEA composite index score	86.5	Down from 87.3	80.2	79.5

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\*Prior year audited financial data available.

**RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE**

	SC PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

**CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT**

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	ESEA Grade
There are no charter schools in this district.			

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT**

2013-2014 was another great year of accomplishments by our students, staff, and schools. Whether in academics, athletics, fine arts or career development, our students excelled and a culture of excellence permeated our district.

Our academic achievement remained very competitive with the following awards: Cowpens Elementary School earned the state Palmetto Silver Award for general performance. Broome High School earned the state Palmetto Gold Award for general performance and the Palmetto Silver Award for the State Board of Education's "Closing the Achievement Gap".

Reading, math, and language achievement growth on the national MAP tests continued to improve. Our students also performed well on the state PASS tests for grades 3-8, the state End of Course examinations, and the national Advanced Placement exams. The 2014 PASS scores project "Excellent" school report card ratings for Clifdale, Cowpens, and Pacolet elementary schools and a "Good" rating for Cannons Elementary School. Broome High School's senior class also received \$3,741,595 in scholarships, for an eight year total of nearly \$30 million.

Our district remained a leader in using technology to enhance student learning by implementing a 1:1 mobile initiative in grades 3-12. Major school awards included: Cannons Elementary School – Distinguished Arts Program Grant recipient; Cowpens Middle School – SCASCD Whole Child Award for Safety; and Daniel Morgan Technology Center – national recognition as an Outstanding Center that Works by the Southern Regional Education Board's High Schools that Work program. Major staff recognitions included: a teacher named State Elementary Teacher of the Year by the South Carolina Veterans of Foreign Wars; two teachers selected as Wofford College High Impact Fellows; two Roper Mountain Science PLUS Institute grantees; one teacher selected to participate in the National Science Foundation program, Research Experience for Veterans/Teachers, at USC; and Seven Region Coach of the Year honors.

Our district also won twenty-four communications awards from the South Carolina Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association. Our district remained internationally accredited by AdvancED and received its eighteenth consecutive positive financial audit. Our community involvement and support for our schools remained strong; and our Board of Trustees and administration continued to provide leadership and resources to ensure the highest quality education possible in the safe, secure environment that our students and staff deserve.

Jim Ray, Superintendent

Mr. Eddie Dearybury,  
School Board Chairman

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