



# SC Annual District Report Card Summary

**UNION COUNTY School District**  
**Grades: PK-12** Enrollment: 4,195  
**Superintendent: Dr. Kristi V. Woodall**  
**Board Chair: Dr. Wanda All**

## 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	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2013	Good	Excellent	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2012	Average	Good	N/A	N/A	B	N/A

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

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
11	4	10	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	67.3%	64.9%	67.7%	72.1%	72.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	68.0%	66.0%	64.2%	71.0%	71.2%
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	33.7%	27.2%	21.0%	32.9%	28.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	35.0%	28.8%	21.1%	30.9%	31.6%
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	69.7%	17.2%	13.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	72.3%	17.4%	10.3%

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

District	83.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	90.8%

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

District	66.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	70.4%

### On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

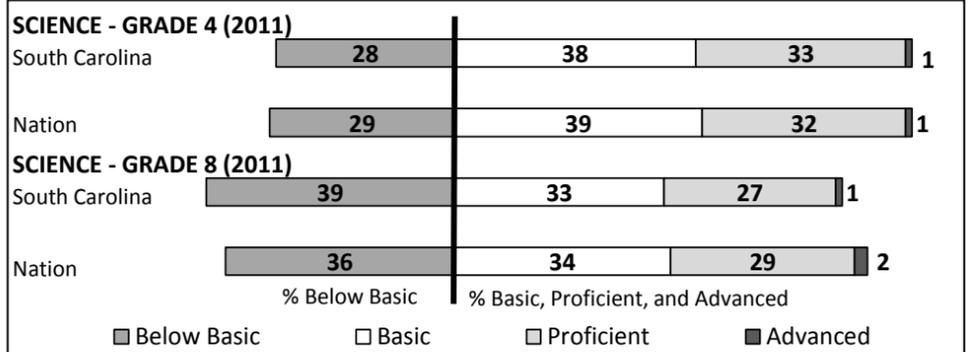
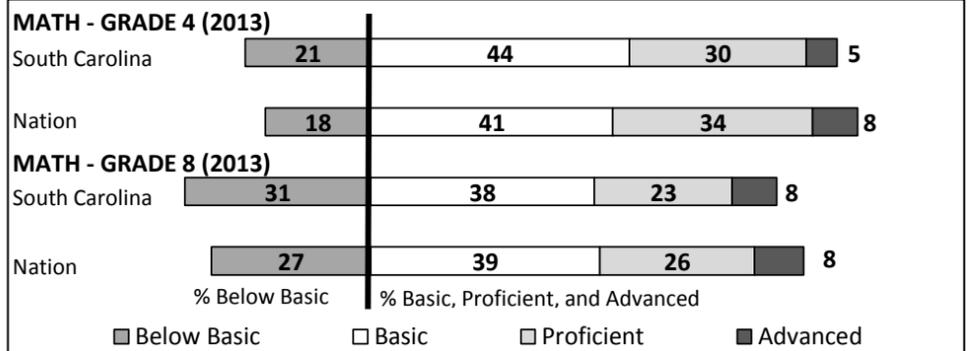
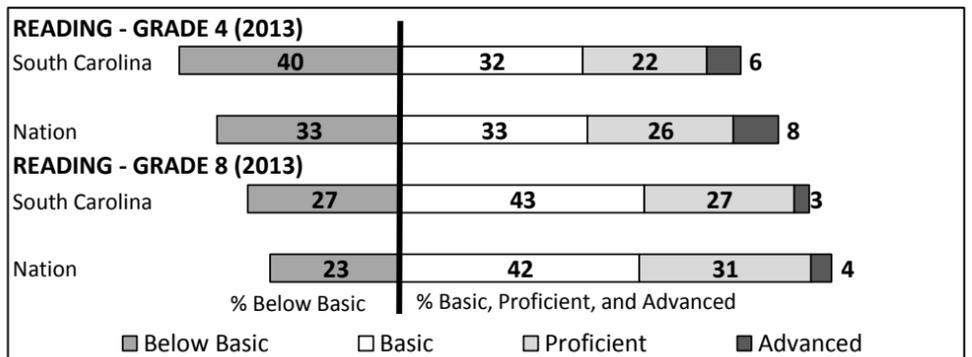
District	78.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	80.6%

\*\* 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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# UNION COUNTY School District

## DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
<b>Students (n = 4,195)</b>				
Retention Rate	3.0%	Up from 2.9%	2.4%	2.1%
Attendance Rate	94.8%	Up from 94.6%	96.0%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	10.6%	Up from 8.4%	11.4%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	14.3%	Down from 15.0%	13.8%	13.1%
Older than usual for grade	6.2%	Up from 6.1%	4.9%	4.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.2%	No change	0.6%	0.7%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	26.5%	Up from 7.2%	11.4%	15.7%
Successful on AP/IB exams	40.3%	Up from 25.9%	47.4%	51.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	27.9%	Down from 32.9%	31.0%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	210	Up from 64	109	115
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	46	Down from 50	28	31
Annual dropout rate	2.7%	Down from 3.3%	2.3%	2.3%

## Teachers (n = 283)

Teachers with advanced degrees	60.4%	Down from 62.2%	61.2%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	83.4%	Down from 87.8%	78.9%	79.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.4%	Down from 91.8%	90.0%	90.1%
Teacher attendance rate	95.0%	Up from 93.4%	94.9%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,989	Down 2.4%	\$46,645	\$47,169
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.7%	No change	0.3%	0.1%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.8%	Up from 4.2%	4.5%	4.2%
Professional development days/teacher	13.4 days	Up from 2.9 days	12.0 days	11.1 days

## District

Superintendent's years at district	4.5	Up from 3.5	4.5	5.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.0 to 1	Up from 20.5 to 1	20.2 to 1	20.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.2%	Up from 87.3%	89.6%	90.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,590	Up 2.4%	\$9,299	\$9,403
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.4%	Up from 55.0%	52.0%	52.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.2%	Up from 58.0%	53.6%	55.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	10	No change	10	9
Portable classrooms	4.3%	Up from 3.2%	0.9%	0.8%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	10.0	No change	10.0	9.0
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Average administrator salary	\$76,469	Down 1.7%	\$79,797	\$79,777
Number of charter schools	0	No change	0	0
ESEA composite index score	76.2	Up from 75.4	78.1	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	I/S	N/A	N/A

## CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

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

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## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The 2013-2014 school year has been another enjoyable one. We are proud of our students' performance in academic, fine arts, and athletic events. Union County High School received the Palmetto Gold Award for student achievement and improvement. Our district is one of six in SC partnering with the Upstate Writing Project at Clemson University for staff development opportunities in teaching writing through the National Writing Project's College-Ready Writers Program. Our indoor percussion ensemble placed 14th in an international competition, and our high school softball team won the state AAA championship. We are pleased to have been awarded an at-risk grant of about \$195,000 to continue our work with a school-within-a-school model at Sims Middle School. Our district also was honored with a visit from Mark Shriver, Senior Vice President of Strategic Initiatives for Save the Children.

We continue the addition of career center courses and work with our local industries to help with workforce development. Kevin Morrow and Eric Childers serve in leadership roles of the WorkReady community initiative.

Union County Schools has maintained its excellent student teacher ratios this year, and these smaller classes allow us to focus on the progress of each student. We have expanded our post-secondary opportunities and business partnerships to better prepare our students. The Board of Trustees and administration have worked hard to examine every aspect of district operations to assure that the emphasis continues to be on the classroom.

I enjoy serving you as superintendent. Progress continues as we make every effort to best serve the needs of each student and identify areas for improvement.

Dr. Kristi V. Woodall, Superintendent