



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Blacksburg High School
CHEROKEE**

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 494

Principal: Craig Bramlett

Superintendent: Dr. Quincie L. Moore

Board Chair: Mike Ellis

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	Good	Below Average	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2013	Excellent	Average	GOLD	N/A	A	N/A
2012	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	B	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
13	17	9	0	1

* 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.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE (%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2013	2014	2013	2014
Passed 2 subtests (%)	84.3%	75.4%	77.7%	71.7%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	6.3%	14.0%	13.7%	18.3%
Passed no subtests (%)	9.4%	10.5%	9.4%	10.7%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.5%	91.2%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	119	204
Number of diplomas	105	154
Rate (%)	88.2%	77.4%

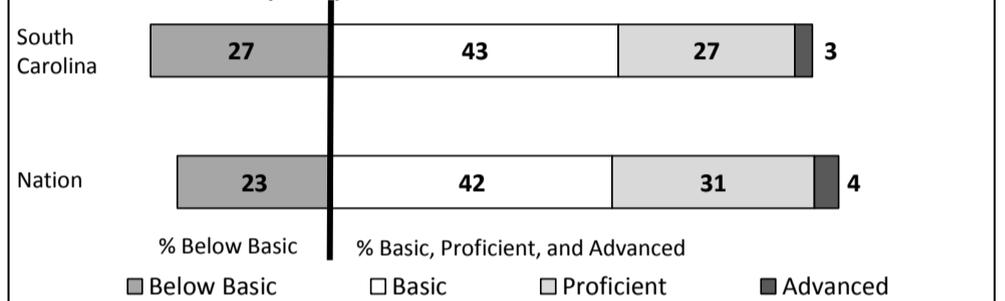
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	81.8%	76.3%
English 1	60.6%	66.7%
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	59.3%	71.9%
US History and the Constitution	52.8%	55.4%
All Tests	62.1%	66.6%

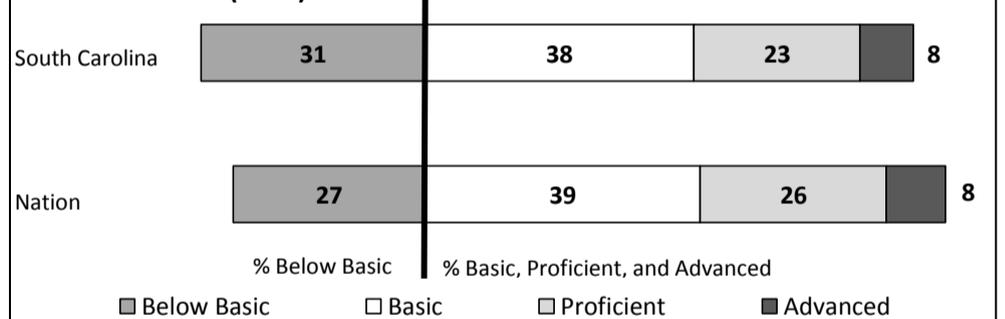
NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

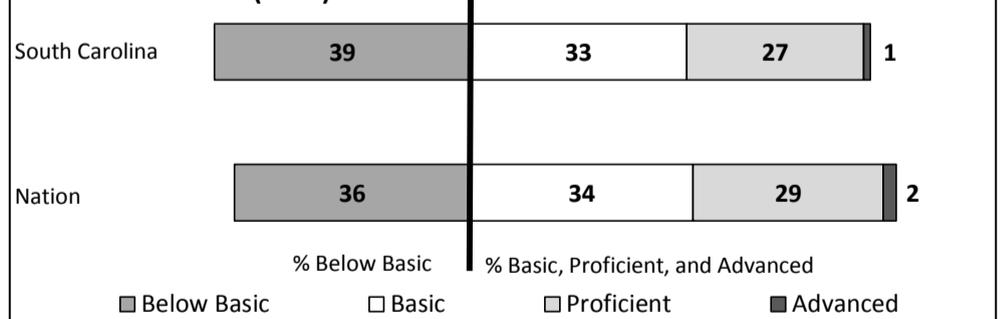
READING - GRADE 8 (2013)



MATH - GRADE 8 (2013)



SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2011)



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
Students (n = 494)				
Retention Rate	5.4%	Up from 0.0%	3.8%	3.0%
Attendance Rate	99.0%	Up from 98.7%	96.2%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	17.5%	Up from 14.5%	16.2%	17.7%
With disabilities	9.3%	Up from 8.7%	12.1%	11.5%
Older than usual for grade	5.6%	Up from 3.2%	8.2%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.8%	Down from 1.0%	0.8%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	12.7%	Up from 7.1%	11.1%	15.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	38.6%	Up from 23.0%	43.8%	52.8%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	75.0%	Up from 72.7%	30.3%	30.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	32.4%	Down from 45.3%	8.2%	5.3%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	262	Up from 234	336	423
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	92.7%	Down from 94.9%	83.8%	84.5%
Annual dropout rate	3.8%	Down from 5.4%	2.6%	2.1%

Teachers (n = 37)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.2%	Up from 54.1%	62.0%	64.3%
Continuing contract teachers	83.8%	Up from 81.1%	78.3%	77.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.5%	Down from 89.4%	84.6%	85.5%
Teacher attendance rate	93.7%	Down from 94.7%	95.4%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,533	Down 2.0%	\$47,911	\$48,414
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.5%	Up from 0.0%	2.1%	3.0%
Professional development days/teacher	10.2 days	Up from 9.5 days	10.3 days	10.0 days

School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.5 to 1	Up from 22.9 to 1	25.1 to 1	26.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.5%	Up from 92.3%	90.4%	90.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,318	Up 13.5%	\$8,388	\$8,238
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.6%	Up from 57.0%	56.9%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.0%	Down from 60.0%	57.8%	58.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	87.4%	Down from 88.4%	99.8%	98.7%
Character development program	Good	No change	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	88.0	Down from 95.2	82.9	84.1

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

**Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	36	103	25
Percent satisfied with learning environment	83.3%	76.7%	80.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.4%	76.0%	84.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	75.0%	85.5%	70.8%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Blacksburg High School strives to create an ethic of excellence in academics, athletics, and the arts. We earned an absolute rating of Excellent on our 2013 State Department of Education Report Card and a growth rating of Average. We had a graduation rate of 84.6%, and our seniors were offered \$ 2,746,966 in scholarships. Both ACT and SAT scores improved, and we are continuing to offer counseling and training in how to succeed on these national tests.

Students competed successfully in local, district, and regional writing contests. In athletics, athletes in football and basketball were named to All-Academic, All-Region, and All-State teams. One student earned two gold medals at the State Track Meet; this is a first for our track program. The BHS Marching Band placed third in the State Band Competition, and several band members were chosen for Region Band and All-State Band. The drama program performed two plays in the fall and spring. The art program continues to earn distinctions, winning at all levels in a district contest, as well as recognition for the art teacher submitting the most entries.

We are in our seventh year as a High Schools That Work (HSTW) program, which assists us in achieving our goal of continued improvement of End-of-Course test scores, as well as SAT and ACT scores. We implemented teacher websites to increase parent/student/teacher communication. We increased the use of Edmodo as a tool for also increasing communication. Each student is assigned a teacher advocate in the Advisory program which meets daily. We have increased dual credit and Advanced Placement course offerings, as well as continuing a successful Credit Recovery program. We fully implemented the Response to Intervention (RtI) program to assist at-risk students.

Students are involved in the community, and seniors spend a minimum of ten hours with a mentor as part of their Senior Project. The Student Council sponsors Blood Drives on-site each quarter, as well as collecting funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundations and delivering Meals on Wheels. The Beta Club requires community service to maintain membership. The Changing Attitudes Through Service (CATS) Club was formed this year to increase student involvement and service.

Our Teacher of the Year was named the Cherokee County School District Teacher of the Year, and our Support Staff of the Year was named to the Cherokee County School District Support Staff Honor Roll. Our agriculture teacher was the only teacher chosen statewide to be recognized for his continuing work with the Future Farmers of America club. We have four National Board Certified Teachers on staff.

Our school continues to make strides in meeting its challenges and seeking excellence in academics, athletics, and the arts.

Craig Bramlett, BHS principal

Melody Smith, School Improvement Council Chair

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