



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Marion High  
 MARION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 759  
 Principal: Dr. Nathaniel Nelson  
 Superintendent: Dr. Dan Strickland  
 Board Chair: Dr. Shawn Johnson

## 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	Below Average	TBD	TBD	C	N/A
2013	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2012	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A

### ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	5	22	8	3

\* 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 (%)	75.4%	63.3%	71.8%	62.2%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	7.9%	14.4%	16.3%	23.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	16.8%	22.3%	12.6%	14.4%

### HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	89.7%	84.3%

### ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	166	125
Number of diplomas	138	94
Rate (%)	83.1%	72.5%

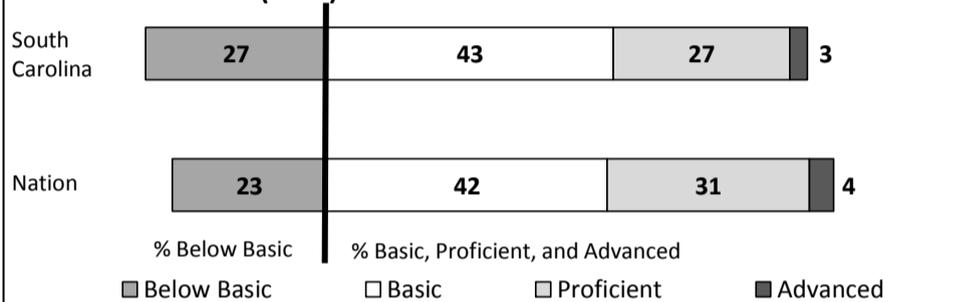
### END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	76.4%	69.6%
English 1	59.3%	52.3%
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	61.6%	63.4%
US History and the Constitution	52.6%	43.2%
All Tests	62.1%	57.0%

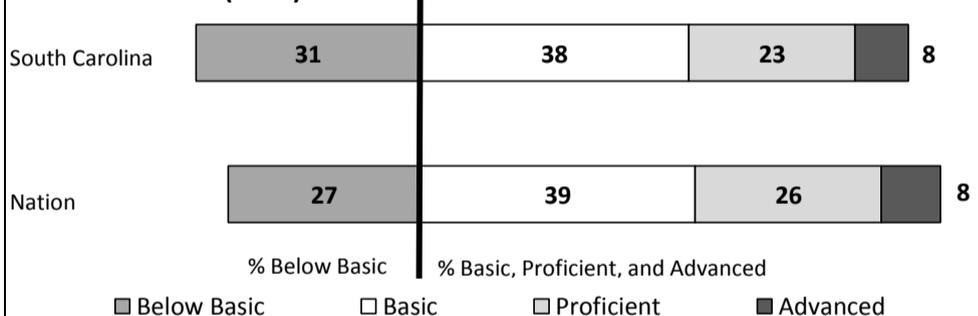
### NAEP\*

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

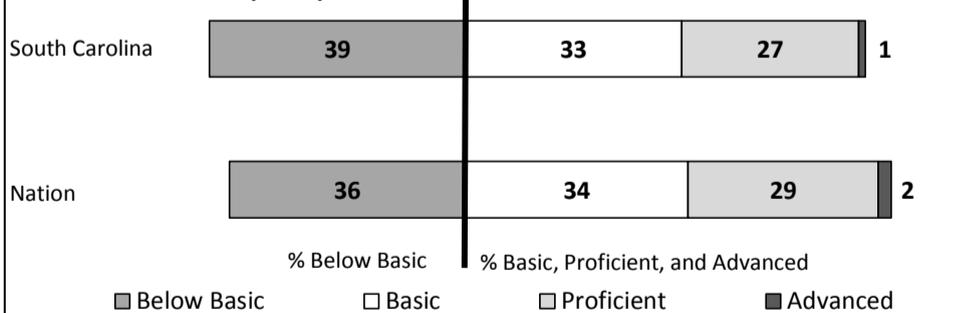
#### READING - GRADE 8 (2013)



#### 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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**Marion High  
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SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n = 759)</b>				
Retention Rate	4.6%	Down from 6.9%	4.8%	3.0%
Attendance Rate	93.2%	Up from 86.7%	95.1%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	12.4%	Up from 11.9%	11.7%	17.7%
With disabilities	15.5%	Up from 15.1%	14.4%	11.5%
Older than usual for grade	11.3%	Down from 12.4%	10.9%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.1%	1.5%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	16.0%	Up from 8.9%	7.0%	15.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	15.1%	Down from 36.0%	21.8%	52.8%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	66.7%	Up from 41.1%	28.6%	30.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	6.3%	5.3%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	N/A	N/A	288	423
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	84.6%	Up from 74.6%	82.8%	84.5%
Annual dropout rate	2.8%	Down from 3.5%	2.0%	2.1%

<b>Teachers (n = 43)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.8%	Down from 63.4%	60.0%	64.3%
Continuing contract teachers	74.4%	Down from 85.4%	65.0%	77.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.8%	Up from 88.4%	80.0%	85.5%
Teacher attendance rate	99.1%	Up from 95.6%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,478	Up 1.2%	\$45,503	\$48,414
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.1%	Up from 0.0%	7.7%	3.0%
Professional development days/teacher	12.6 days	Up from 9.7 days	10.6 days	10.0 days

<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 16.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.8 to 1	Up from 23.7 to 1	22.4 to 1	26.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.1%	Up from 81.9%	89.7%	90.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,858	Down 2.9%	\$10,028	\$8,238
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.2%	Up from 55.0%	55.0%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.7%	Down from 58.0%	56.0%	58.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	Up from Poor	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.2%	Up from 95.6%	97.2%	98.7%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Average	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	77.7	Up from 74.2	71.5	84.1

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\*Prior year audited financial data available.

**EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	39	135	43
Percent satisfied with learning environment	87.2%	58.5%	76.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	92.1%	66.4%	75.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	73.7%	89.7%	71.4%

\* 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**

With the transition of a new administrative team, Marion High School continues its tradition of academic excellence. We provide a structured, safe, and nurturing environment where students can excel in academics, athletics, and the arts. With a highly qualified staff, we provide numerous curricular and extracurricular activities that meet the needs of our diverse student population. In addition to college preparatory classes, we offer Honors, Advanced Placement, and Dual Credit courses. To ease the transition into high school, we provide a ninth and tenth grade academy as well as a PUSH program. Academic assistance programs are provided through a homework center, tutoring services, credit and content recovery, and summer school/extended year. Non diploma students are served in our Occupational Program and Trainable Mentally Disabled class. Our exceptional Fine Arts program includes Drama, Art, and Concert and Marching Band.

It is with great pride and excitement that we highlight some of the many accomplishments of our students and staff.

- 4 Palmetto Fellow Scholarship Recipients
- 3 Academic Honors Achievement Awards
- 25 seniors received Marion High School Diploma of Excellence (29 Units, B average)
- 45 seniors will attend a four college; 60 will attend a two year college all are eligible for the Life Scholarship
- 11 seniors scored 1100 SAT/ACT/PSAT
- 1 student scored 1400 on SAT/ACT
- \$4,078,181 in Scholarships and Grants received by seniors
- JROTC rated an Honor Unit of Distinction for 19 consecutive years
- Pee Dee Regional Math Tournament Division 1 Winners
- 18th Annual Math Competition FDTC 2nd place award
- State Wrestling Champion 1A/2A
- 1 Robert E McNair Scholar- full scholarship to Francis Marion University
- 1 full scholarship to Duke University
- 1st place EMT HOSA Competition Winners
- Driver Education State Teacher of the Year
- Marching Band Competition Winners
- Wendy's Heisman Award Winner
- Best in Show at Marion County Art Show

We continuously strive to improve our standardized test scores including End of Course of tests and HSAP, discipline, attendance rate, graduation rate, and completion and drop-out rates by offering various interventions and character development. We recognize that education is the responsibility of the entire community and appreciate your continued support and partnership to reinforce our efforts.

Dr. Nathaniel Nelson, Principal  
Mrs. Sandra Honaker, SIC Chair

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