



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Hughes Academy of Science and Technology  
 GREENVILLE COUNTY  
 Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 889  
 Principal: Andrew Hooker  
 Superintendent: Mr. Burke Royster  
 Board Chair: Mr. Chuck Saylor

## 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	Good	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2013	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2012	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A

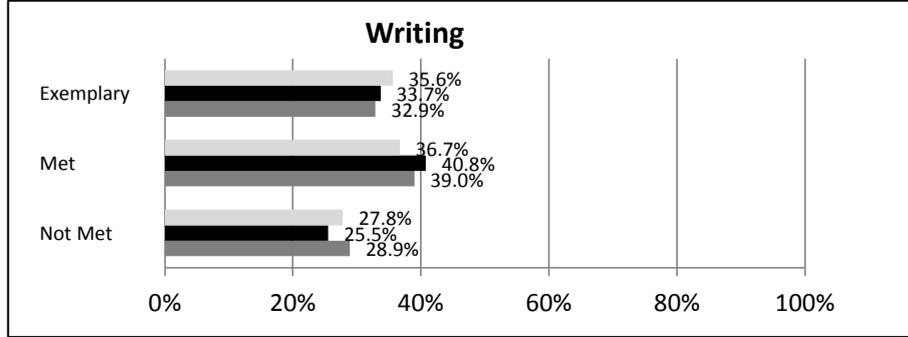
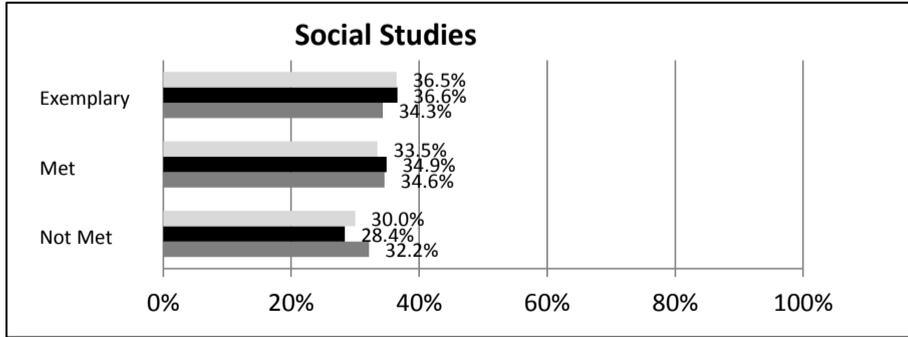
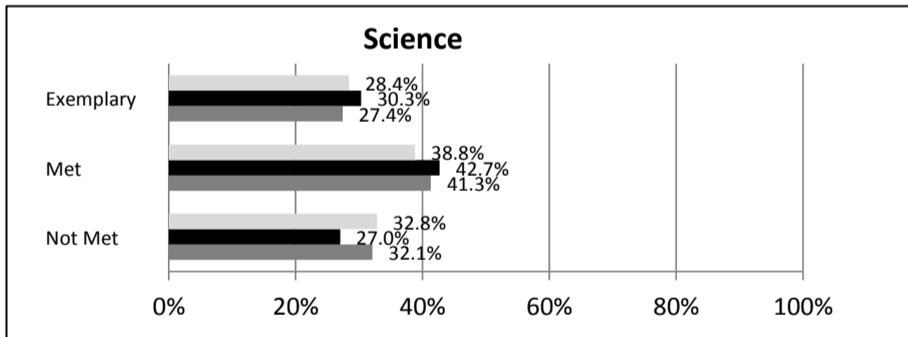
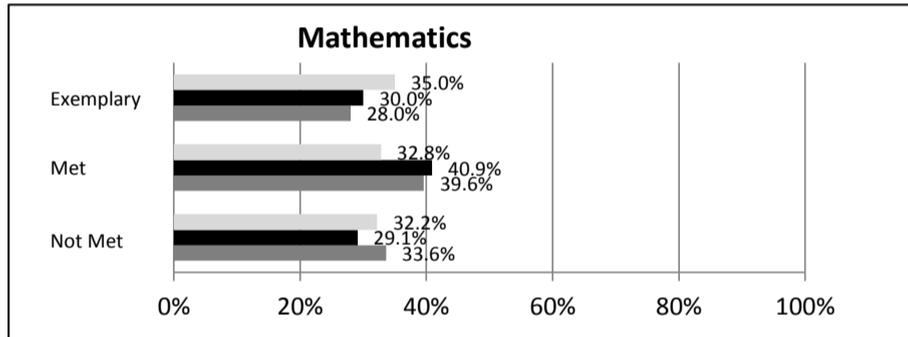
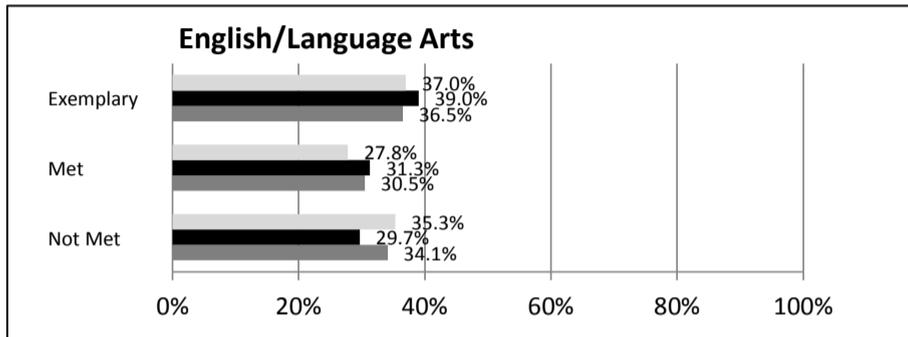
### ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
8	20	31	2	0

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

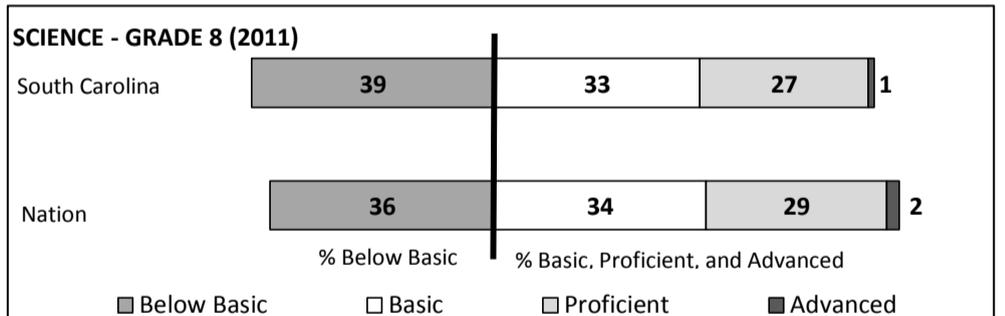
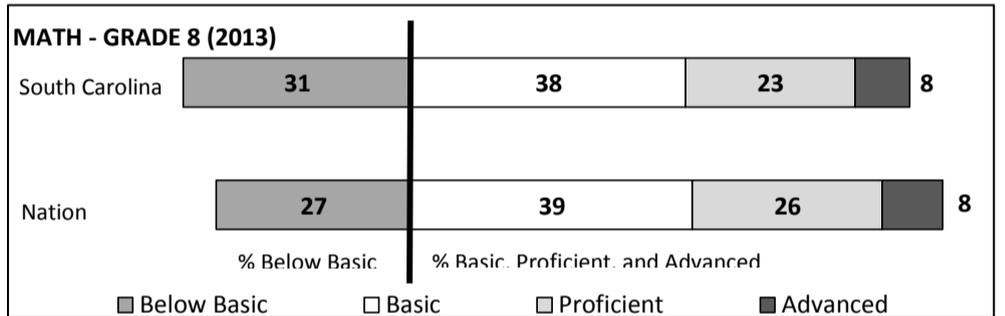
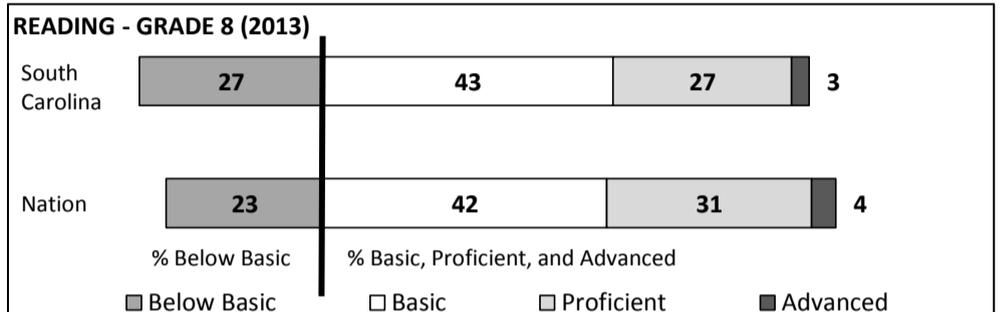
### SC PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle Schools Statewide



### NAEP\*

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



### END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014

% of Students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0%	98.5%
English 1	97.5%	95.5%
Biology 1	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	99.0%	98.1%

### 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	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle Schools
<b>Students (n = 889)</b>				
Students Enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	33.7%	Up from 31.0%	34.3%	26.0%
Retention rate	1.6%	Up from 0.3%	0.9%	0.6%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Up from 95.7%	96.0%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	26.7%	Up from 26.4%	21.2%	19.4%
With disabilities	11.6%	Up from 11.0%	12.9%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	3.8%	Up from 3.4%	4.6%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.9%	Down from 1.3%	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n = 50)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	68.0%	No change	64.4%	61.3%
Continuing contract teachers	84.0%	Up from 82.0%	80.5%	75.9%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.2%	Up from 83.6%	86.9%	85.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.2%	Down from 96.0%	95.0%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,117	Down 0.5%	\$48,406	\$47,081
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	16.0%	Up from 8.5%	3.1%	5.8%
Professional development days/teacher	21.0 days	Up from 9.1 days	11.0 days	10.6 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 6.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.6 to 1	Up from 18.4 to 1	23.6 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.1%	No change	90.0%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.9%	Up from 97.6%	99.0%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	No change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,151	Up 4.9%	\$7,344	\$7,616
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.4%	Up from 61.0%	62.7%	62.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.1%	Up from 59.0%	61.2%	61.3%
ESEA composite index score	80.7	Down from 81.6	81.4	77.9

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\*Prior year audited financial data available.

**EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	56	246	73
Percent satisfied with learning environment	85.7%	64.2%	83.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	87.5%	67.4%	72.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	85.8%	82.8%	72.6%

\*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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**REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL**

The mission of Hughes Academy of Science and Technology is to create independent thinkers for the future in an ever changing society. Our developmentally appropriate, school-wide curriculum is fully aligned to state and national standards. Faculty and support staff members are dedicated to concentrating on best practices and strategies that continue to improve the educational profile and academic standing of our school.

The faculty and staff, along with students and parents, planned activities to Cure the Culture. The community participated in a Bully Free Cougar 3 run. Students joined the Principal's Advisory Committee to help facilitate the change in culture.

Education/ business partnerships are designed to prepare our students to compete in a global economy. We also provided a supportive school environment that prompted student learning. Faculty and staff improved communication between homes, the school and the community.

Students continue to be challenged academically. Hughes Academy is still on the cutting edge of innovative science curriculum. Hughes Academy will continue to use MAP and PASS testing to assist teachers in designing lesson plans, which raised academic success of the students. In addition, students were given the opportunities to participate in other extra-curricular activities which develop the total student ability.

The Parent Teachers Student Association (PTSA) at Hughes Academy continues to initiate and support numerous opportunities for student and parent involvement on our campus. The School Improvement Council (SIC) is a valuable resource in evaluating growth areas viable to the health of our school. The SIC administered a survey to parents and students to gather information regarding experiences at Hughes Academy. Based on the survey, the SIC developed three goals to help facilitate changes within the school.

The educational climate at Hughes Academy continues to improve. The teachers continue in their efforts to become more effective classroom instructors by seeking advanced degrees with the goal of all teachers achieving highly qualified status. With the support of business partners, parents, teachers, and the community as a whole, our goal of making Hughes Academy the outstanding science and technology school in the south east can be achieved. We look forward to a successful 2014-2015 school year.

Andrew Hooker, Principal

Brooke Culclasure and Rachel Balck, SIC Co-Chairs

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