



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Aiken Performing Arts Academy**

**Aiken**

**Grades: 9-12**

**Enrollment: 43**

**Principal: Keisha Lloyd-Kennedy**

**Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt**

**Board Chair: Dr. Christine Sanders**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Below Average	At-Risk	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2006	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
5	8	22	2	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are High Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

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

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2007	2008	2007	2008
Passed 2 subtests (%)	72.2%	50.0%	76.8%	79.7%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	22.2%	33.3%	12.8%	10.9%
Passed no subtests (%)	5.6%	16.7%	10.4%	9.4%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	100.0%	94.0%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

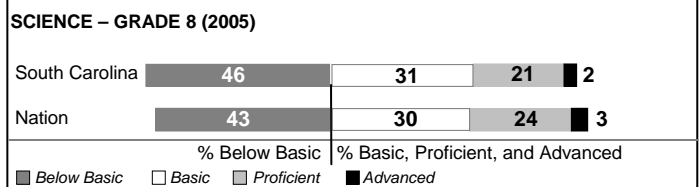
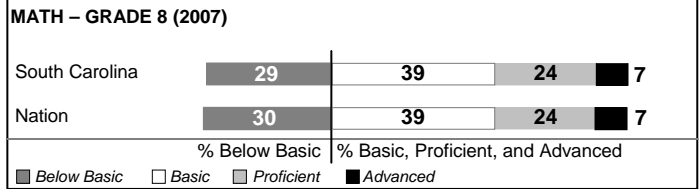
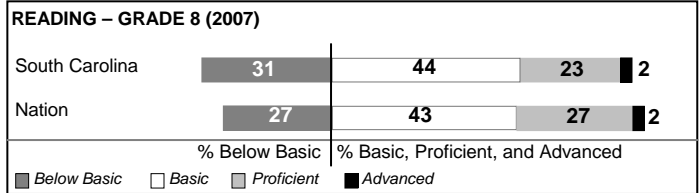
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	8	214
Number of Diplomas	0	157
Rate (%)	0%	73.7%

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	57.1%	71.6%
English 1	50.0%	58.5%
Physical Science	27.3%	49.9%
All Tests	42.3%	59.9%

## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

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



## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

*By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.*

2020 Goal: TBD

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=43)</b>				
Retention rate	12.8%	Up from 12.1%	6.2%	6.1%
Attendance rate	95.0%	Up from 93.4%	95.0%	95.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	12.0%	Up from 2.3%	9.9%	8.3%
With disabilities other than speech	8.5%	Up from 7.6%	13.6%	13.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	N/R	1.5%	1.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	13.8%	N/R	8.8%	11.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	53.5%	54.3%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	10.0%	N/R	31.5%	30.5%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 2.4%	4.2%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	5.3%	3.1%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	9	Down from 32	502	559
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	33.3%	Down from 87.5%	77.1%	79.6%
<b>Teachers (n=11)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	0.0%	Down from 66.7%	53.2%	57.4%
Continuing contract teachers	50.0%	N/A	75.0%	69.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 33.3%	7.4%	8.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	86.6%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	98.0%	Up from 93.9%	95.3%	95.4%
Average teacher salary	N/A	I/S	\$45,979	\$46,061
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	53.3%	Up from 34.3%	2.3%	4.3%
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Down from 5.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	12.3 to 1	N/R	26.0 to 1	25.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.4%	No Change	88.9%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	N/A	N/A	\$7,380	\$7,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	N/A	N/A	55.0%	55.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	N/A	N/A	60.6%	60.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	Up from Poor	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	N/R	Good	Good
Modern Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Good	Good
Classical Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Average	Average
% of AYP objectives met	20.0%		93.3%	90.5%

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The mission of the Aiken Performing Arts Academy (APAA) is to provide high school students with unique learning opportunities in the performing and visual arts within a college prep academic setting. Our school affects all 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students who live in Aiken County and are interested in the performing and visual arts. The APAA targets, but does not limit enrollment to, those students who reside in lower socioeconomic households and may be unable to afford professional training in theatre, music, dance, and visual arts. We seek to provide those students with an equitable learning opportunity to grow academically and artistically through the use of unique, diverse, flexible, and productive teaching methods. Students who participate in the program are expected to demonstrate marked artistic development, not only in their chosen field of study but also in all four program areas. Additionally, the APAA provides students with a strong academic base by only offering college prep and advanced placement courses. To ensure their success, we incorporate multi-sensory learning in addition to more traditional teaching methods. Ultimately, the APAA operates with the expectation that our students will attend a college or university upon graduation.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	6	12	10
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	100.0%	60.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	91.7%	I/S
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	91.7%	I/S

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

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