



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Westside High

Anderson 5

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 1,738

Principal: Henry D. Adair

Superintendent: Betty T. Bagley

Board Chair: Dr. William Mack Burriss

PERFORMANCE

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

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
6	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 (%)	75.2%	75.5%	76.7%	78.5%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	12.7%	14.3%	13.1%	11.8%
Passed no subtests (%)	12.0%	10.2%	10.5%	9.8%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	91.9%	93.7%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

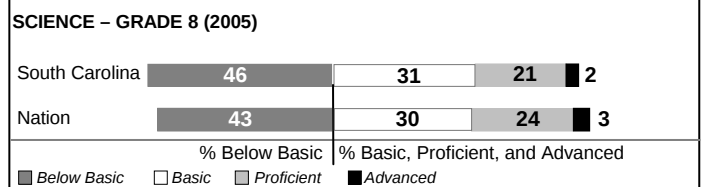
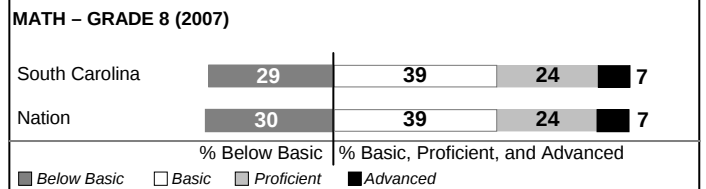
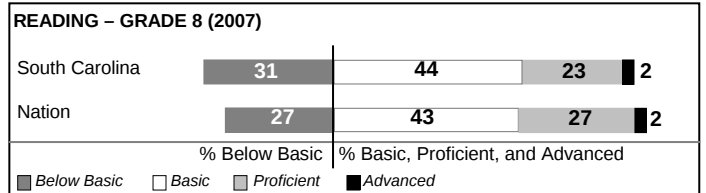
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	433	210
Number of Diplomas	278	157
Rate (%)	64.2%	74.9%

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	78.2%	69.8%
English 1	56.4%	59.2%
Physical Science	55.0%	49.2%
All Tests	63.0%	59.3%

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
Students (n=1,738)				
Retention rate	5.1%	Down from 7.6%	6.5%	6.1%
Attendance rate	93.8%	Down from 99.6%	95.0%	95.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.0%	No Change	8.4%	8.3%
With disabilities other than speech	19.9%	Up from 16.9%	13.7%	13.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	3.6%	Up from 0.2%	1.2%	1.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	9.4%	Up from 7.9%	8.3%	11.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	70.8%	N/A	44.4%	54.3%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	41.9%	Up from 25.7%	30.3%	30.5%
Annual dropout rate	5.1%	Up from 4.1%	3.6%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	4.9%	3.1%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	843	Down from 864	502	559
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	76.3%	Up from 74.2%	79.1%	79.6%
Teachers (n=111)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	48.6%	Down from 51.4%	53.1%	57.4%
Continuing contract teachers	75.7%	Down from 77.5%	73.6%	69.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	6.4%	Up from 5.1%	8.2%	8.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.1%	Down from 89.2%	86.1%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.1%	Down from 96.2%	95.4%	95.4%
Average teacher salary	\$45,514	Up 0.9%	\$45,584	\$46,061
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.8%	Up from 0.8%	4.6%	4.3%
School				
Principal's years at school	26.0	Up from 25.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	31.8 to 1	Up from 29.3 to 1	26.0 to 1	25.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.0%	Down from 94.8%	88.7%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$6,373	Down 20.2%	\$7,313	\$7,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	59.6%	Up from 55.0%	55.0%	55.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	63.6%	Up from 58.6%	59.7%	60.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	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	81.0%		91.4%	90.5%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	108	241	73
Percent satisfied with learning environment	86.0%	69.2%	76.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	91.7%	77.0%	75.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	71.3%	80.8%	80.3%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Westside High School aptly reflects the ideals of its mission statement, "Learning Today! Leading Tomorrow!" By assuring quality improvement in every facet of school life and incorporating the resources and diversities of our communities, Westside High School's mission is to educate all students and produce graduates with the knowledge and skills to be lifelong learners, individuals with ethical character, and citizens who contribute to an ever-changing global society.

Located in an urban area between Greenville, South Carolina and Atlanta, Georgia, our school population consists of approximately 1620 students. We provide an exemplary education to students through a vast array of programs that include rigorous academics, competitive athletics, and excellent visual and performing arts. We have established a smaller learning community with our 9th Grade Academy with promising results in reducing ninth grade retentions. We have also established the AVID program offering more rigorous curriculum opportunities for first-generation college bound students.

For this school year, Westside graduated 332 seniors in May who received over \$5,504,525 in scholarships, received \$214,400 in scholarships for Palmetto Fellows, included 8 Palmetto Fellows, included 84 Honor Graduates, and included 13 recipients of Anderson School District Five Honors Diplomas.

Our instructional staff is committed to providing a quality learning experience for all students. More than 60% of our teachers hold advanced degrees, and 8% percent of our teachers have obtained National Board Certification. For the last three years, our parents, community members, teachers, and local business partners volunteered over 19,500 hours assisting our staff with clerical, instructional, and athletic needs.

We are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Our curriculum offers courses in foreign languages that include French, Spanish, and German. Advanced Placement courses include English Literature & Language, US History, World History, Psychology, Calculus, Physics, Human Geography, Government, and Biology. We are a Flagship School of Promise, nationally accredited for our Engineering Academy through Project Lead the Way, and in 2004 we won The Palmetto Gold Award for excellence on the State Report Card.

The faculty and staff of Westside High School appreciate cultural diversity, unite in support of democracy, and believe that all students can experience success.

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