



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

North High
 Orangeburg 5
 Grades: 6-12 Enrollment: 321
 Principal: Alvin D. Pressley
 Superintendent: Mr. Melvin Smoak
 Board Chair: Dr. Kalu Kalu

PERFORMANCE

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

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
5	5	12	4	3

* 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 (%)	59.0%	79.5%	67.7%	70.0%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	25.6%	13.6%	17.7%	16.2%
Passed no subtests (%)	15.4%	6.8%	14.6%	13.8%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	97.2%	91.9%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	47	146
Number of Diplomas	46	106
Rate (%)	97.9%	72.7%

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	93.1%	62.4%
English 1	56.4%	48.7%
Physical Science	31.8%	33.0%
All Tests	62.2%	47.8%

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=321)				
Retention rate	3.9%	Down from 4.1%	8.4%	6.1%
Attendance rate	92.8%	Down from 93.7%	94.5%	95.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	5.6%	Up from 1.5%	5.9%	8.3%
With disabilities other than speech	18.8%	Down from 20.1%	14.3%	13.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	1.6%	Down from 16.2%	1.6%	1.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	4.9%	Up from 0.0%	5.8%	11.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	25.9%	54.3%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	31.0%	Up from 3.2%	25.5%	30.5%
Annual dropout rate	2.7%	Down from 5.5%	3.6%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	5.3%	3.1%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	59	Down from 185	440	559
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	84.5%	N/A	74.4%	79.6%
Teachers (n=31)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	48.4%	Up from 43.8%	50.0%	57.4%
Continuing contract teachers	61.3%	Down from 68.8%	56.6%	69.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	12.0%	Up from 7.7%	14.8%	8.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.3%	Up from 74.1%	79.5%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.8%	Down from 97.2%	95.4%	95.4%
Average teacher salary	\$45,626	Up 1.8%	\$45,570	\$46,061
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.4%	Down from 13.1%	8.1%	4.3%
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 6.0	2.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18.9 to 1	Down from 20.5 to 1	22.3 to 1	25.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.6%	Down from 89.8%	88.9%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$10,489	Up 15.4%	\$8,465	\$7,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	41.2%	Down from 55.5%	53.3%	55.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	59.0%	Down from 61.0%	59.6%	60.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Average	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
Modern Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Below Average	Good
Classical Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	N/A	Average
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		88.2%	90.5%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

North High School serves the North area of Orangeburg County as a 6 – 12 middle/high school with an enrollment of approximately 340 students. We have a student body that is very diverse in culture, with 65 percent African-American, 33 percent white, and 2 percent of Hispanic heritage. The faculty is comprised of dedicated educators who strive to provide all students with the best academic experience possible. The educators set and maintain the highest levels of expectations and provide the needed support to assist each student in achieving his or her highest level of academic success. We are committed and truly believe that every child can be successful.

Proper preparation for higher education and careers are goals of the school. The school encourages all students to prepare for post-secondary education. We also prepare students for vocational careers by providing instruction through partnership with Orangeburg Consolidated School District Five's Technology Center. In recent years, we have experienced significant increases on the Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test (PACT) in both English/Language arts and mathematics. We have been recognized for SAT improvement of more than 156 points. Additionally, we were the Palmetto Gold Award recipient in 2002, 2004, 2005, and Palmetto Silver Award recipient in 2003. We met Adequate Yearly Progress in 2005.

North Middle High School is a Making Middle Grades Work (MMGW) and High Schools That Work (HSTW) site. All teachers are trained in the utilization of "best practices" to increase the academic success of each student. Students participate in the Accelerated Reader Program, Accelerated Math Program, and Academy of Reading to increase literacy and numeracy achievement levels. We believe in utilizing the most appropriate teaching strategies and infusing technology into the curriculum to capture and inspire our students.

North Middle High School is a State Department of Education Red Carpet Award Winner and a Palmetto Gold Showcase School for our excellence in customer service and our outstanding test scores among children living at the poverty level. We have instituted a community mentoring program to assist at-risk youth with becoming successful in today's school setting. We are proud of all of our accomplishments we have achieved and will continue to work hard everyday to reach higher levels of success.

Alvin D. Pressley, Principal
Thomas Pearson, School Improvement Chairperson

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	34	17	19
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.2%	88.2%	68.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	91.2%	94.1%	68.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	44.1%	94.1%	61.1%

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

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