



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

James F Byrnes High
Spartanburg 5
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,516
Principal: Jeffrey R. Rogers
Superintendent: Dr. Scott Turner
Board Chair: Mr. Butch Coan

PERFORMANCE

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

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
3	9	16	1	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 (%)	81.3%	89.8%	80.1%	84.8%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	9.8%	5.5%	11.7%	8.9%
Passed no subtests (%)	8.9%	4.7%	8.2%	6.5%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	91.4%	94.4%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

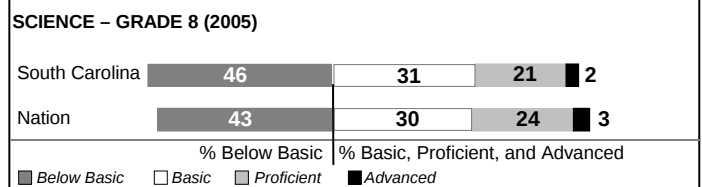
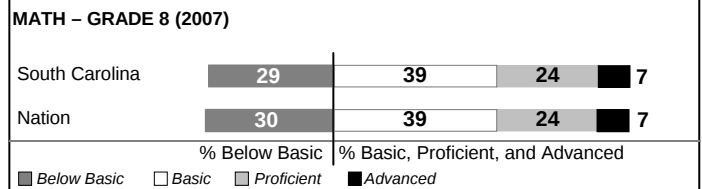
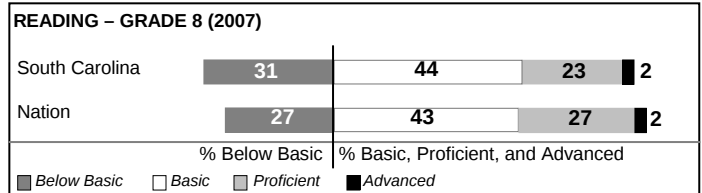
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	419	336
Number of Diplomas	301	244
Rate (%)	71.8%	74.0%

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	82.7%	78.4%
English 1	69.4%	69.4%
Physical Science	60.3%	60.1%
All Tests	68.8%	68.9%

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

Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined

NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,516)				
Retention rate	6.3%	Up from 4.8%	5.7%	6.1%
Attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 99.6%	95.1%	95.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	11.6%	Up from 6.9%	11.0%	8.3%
With disabilities other than speech	11.7%	Down from 11.8%	11.7%	13.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	1.3%	Down from 2.3%	1.3%	1.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	22.2%	Up from 19.0%	17.1%	11.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	63.3%	N/A	62.9%	54.3%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	54.9%	Up from 53.0%	33.6%	30.5%
Annual dropout rate	4.8%	Up from 3.0%	4.1%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	2.2%	Down from 15.8%	1.3%	3.1%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	826	Down from 881	789	559
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	81.7%	Up from 81.1%	78.6%	79.6%
Teachers (n=91)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.6%	Up from 62.1%	60.5%	57.4%
Continuing contract teachers	75.8%	Up from 73.5%	72.3%	69.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 2.9%	5.5%	8.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	80.7%	Down from 88.3%	86.1%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	98.2%	Up from 94.8%	95.4%	95.4%
Average teacher salary	\$48,589	Up 4.2%	\$46,872	\$46,061
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 1.2%	1.2%	4.3%
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.5	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.5 to 1	Down from 29.5 to 1	28.1 to 1	25.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.0%	Up from 91.9%	89.8%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$6,336	Up 2.5%	\$6,541	\$7,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	60.8%	Up from 60.2%	55.5%	55.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	67.3%	Down from 67.9%	60.8%	60.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Average	No Change	Good	Good
Modern Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Good	Good
Classical Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Good	Average
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		94.1%	90.5%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	80	458	34
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.5%	74.6%	70.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	93.8%	80.3%	67.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	90.0%	84.0%	72.7%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

James F. Byrnes High School continued a tradition of success in academics, fine arts, athletics, extracurricular activities, and community service during the 2007-2008 school year. The faculty, administration, and students continue to focus on student achievement as the number one priority of the school. Increased enrollment in honors level, advanced placement, and dual credit courses reflects the choice by students to participate in a challenging curriculum that will prepare them for post-secondary education. State-of-the-art computer software programs allow students to prepare for standardized tests such as SAT, ACT, EOC, and HSAP. We continue to focus on the High Schools That Work (HSTW) reform model. The HSTW 10 Key Practices guide our professional development program and our curriculum development. Our professional development plan also featured teachers learning and implementing researched-based instructional strategies into their classrooms.

Our students excelled in all areas of student involvement. They served as mentors and tutors for young children in area elementary schools and community centers. Students raised over fifteen thousand dollars for the Relay for Life cancer program. Students in our orchestra, band, and chorus won superior ratings in regional and state competitions. Visual art pieces won state awards. Byrnes technology students won awards at both the state and national level. The Rebel varsity football team won the AAAA state championship once again. The Air Force ROTC Unit was recognized as a distinguished unit. The Winterguard, Mock Trial Competition Team, Math Competition Team, and Model United Nations Competition Team enjoyed a successful year garnering team and individual awards.

Byrnes High School values its collaborative partnership with parents and the community in preparing our students to be successful in an ever-changing world. Our school is one of the focal points of our community and a quality education is the key to the success of our students and community. Together we display great pride in our accomplishments.

Jeff Rogers, Principal
Jeri Hollis, Chairperson SIC

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