



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Hickory Tavern Middle

Laurens 55

Grades: 6-8

Enrollment: 305

Principal: Russell H. Scott

Superintendent: Edgar C. Taylor

Board Chair: Rev. Charlie Short

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	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2006	Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT

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GOOD

0

AVERAGE

19

BELOW AVERAGE

21

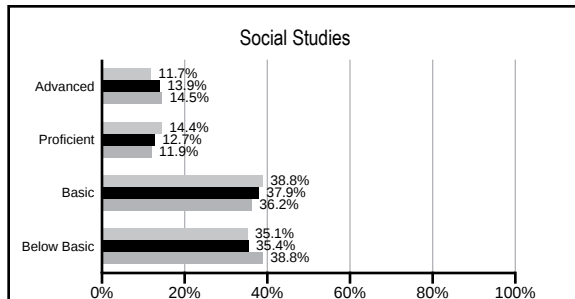
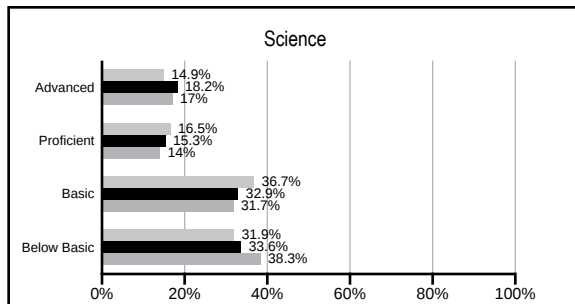
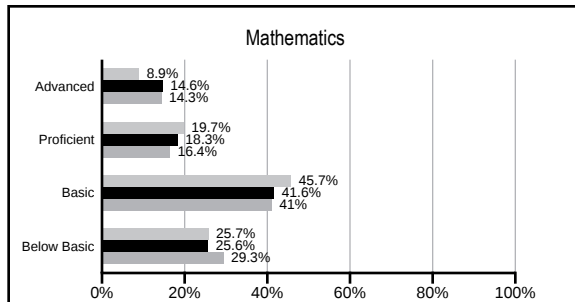
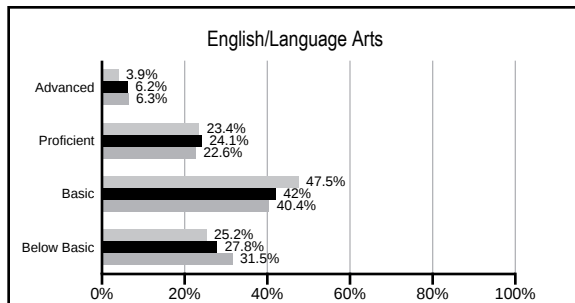
AT-RISK

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* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/02/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Middle Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PACT PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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

READING - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	31	44	23	2
Nation	27	43	27	2
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)

South Carolina	46	31	21	2
Nation	43	30	24	3
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	86.4%	98.1%
English 1	0%	97.4%
Physical Science	0%	48.7%
All Subjects	86.4%	97.7%

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	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=305)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	11.1%	Up from 4.7%	23.3%	19.4%
Retention rate	1.3%	Up from 0.9%	1.5%	1.8%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 94.4%	95.9%	95.8%
Eligible for gifted and talented	11.9%	Up from 10.9%	17.8%	15.3%
With disabilities other than speech	13.9%	Up from 12.5%	14.3%	12.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	1.3%	Up from 0.3%	0.5%	0.7%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=17)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	64.7%	Up from 50.0%	53.7%	55.0%
Continuing contract teachers	70.6%	Up from 60.0%	74.1%	70.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	7.1%	No Change	5.6%	5.4%
Teachers returning from previous year	79.8%	Down from 81.9%	84.8%	83.4%
Teacher attendance rate	93.4%	Up from 92.5%	94.9%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$43,927	Up 5.0%	\$44,202	\$44,706
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	12.0%	Up from 7.9%	2.3%	2.9%
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.0 to 1	Down from 23.9 to 1	20.6 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	85.6%	Up from 84.3%	89.3%	89.3%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$5,946	Up 15.5%	\$7,061	\$7,097
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	57.6%	Down from 63.6%	63.7%	64.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	54.5%	Down from 59.2%	59.5%	59.4%
% of AYP objectives met	88.2%		69.9%	69.0%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	21	88	29
Percent satisfied with learning environment	71.4%	73.9%	72.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.2%	69.3%	82.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	61.9%	80.7%	75.9%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Hickory Tavern Middle School is a rural school located in Laurens, SC. Rich in tradition and community pride, Hickory Tavern receives outstanding community support. The school is a centerpiece for community activities, which consistently receive great attendance.

Academically, Hickory Tavern Middle School offers classes for 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. We offer Math, History, Science, and a double block of Language Arts. Reading is strongly supported, and the number of active readers has increased significantly due to this effort. Our Related Arts programs are thriving, offering students Band, Chorus, Art, Strings, and Physical Education. Through our Physical Education classes, we have built a three-time State Championship Archery team. We use Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) tests three times per year to monitor student progress, then differentiate classroom instruction and target the needs of students.

Hickory Tavern Middle School strives to provide a facility that can be a source of pride for students, faculty, and the community. We are eagerly anticipating the use of our new Physical Education Gymnasium this year. The School Improvement Council is an active part of our school. The mission to involve school, community, and business in an active partnership continues. We are pleased to be able to offer a career fair for students to expose them to potential career opportunities. Field trips for Eighth graders to Piedmont Technical College and Lander University are also offered.

Striving to improve the educational opportunities offered to the students of Hickory Tavern Middle School remains the primary goal. The faculty and staff work with parents and community members to continually improve these opportunities. Through this joint effort, our school and students will continue to grow. We look forward to a new and even better year.

Hickory Tavern Middle School is accredited through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. We use this information to review and update our mission and the vision for our school.

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