

SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Dorchester 4 School District
Grades: PK-12 **Enrollment: 2,286**
Superintendent: Jerry Montjoy
Board Chair: Kenneth Jenkins, Ed.D

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	
2009	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	CA
2008	Below Average	Excellent	N/A	Not Met	CA
2007	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	CA

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	1	5	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PASS

PASS	2009 Reading	2009 Math	2009 Science	2009 Social Studies	2009 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above
District	65.7%	59.3%	60.0%	69.5%	63.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	60.5%	54.8%	51.9%	60.0%	55.5%
Average District	73.6%	70.5%	67.4%	72.2%	70.2%

PASS	2009 Reading	2009 Math	2009 Science	2009 Social Studies	2009 Writing
	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary
District	24.7%	17.8%	12.3%	22.0%	24.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	20.7%	13.8%	9.2%	15.4%	15.7%
Average District	35.2%	28.8%	18.8%	28.5%	29.8%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	57.7%	18.0%	24.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	66.3%	15.9%	17.8%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2009 (%)

District	91.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	92.1%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	34.8
Districts with Students Like Ours**	43.7

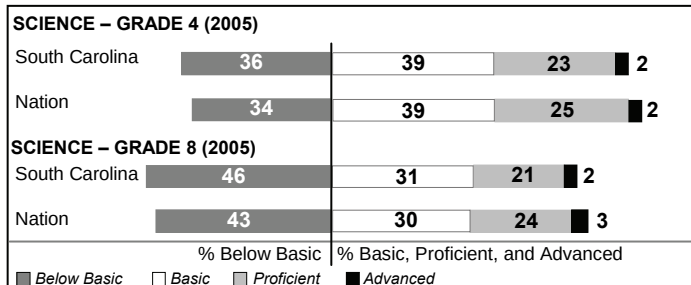
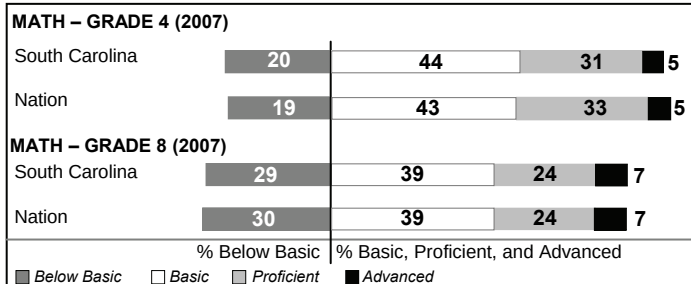
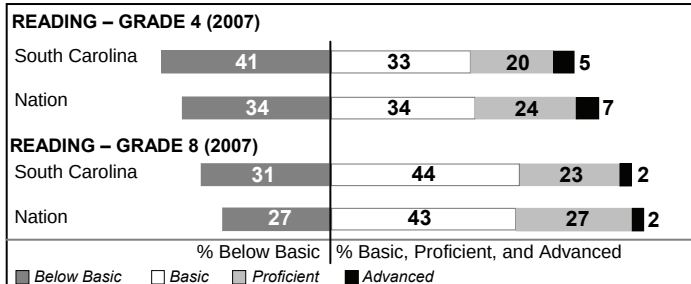
On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	67.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	71.3%

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NAEP*

* 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 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=2,286)				
Retention rate	4.3%	Down from 5.7%	3.5%	3.1%
Attendance rate	94.5%	Down from 94.7%	95.2%	95.7%
Eligible for gifted and talented	4.0%	Down from 5.6%	7.3%	11.2%
With disabilities other than speech	9.3%	Up from 5.5%	11.6%	10.6%
Older than usual for grade	5.2%	Down from 5.7%	5.3%	4.3%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.3%	Down from 0.4%	0.9%	0.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	1.1%	Down from 1.2%	7.4%	10.5%
Successful on AP/IB exams	60.0%	N/A	38.0%	51.2%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	13.0%	Down from 16.2%	28.9%	30.8%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	14	Down from 21	40	40
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	14	Down from 20	23	30
Annual dropout rate	2.9%	Up from 2.0%	3.3%	3.4%
Teachers (n=172)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.2%	No Change	53.3%	56.8%
Continuing contract teachers	66.3%	Down from 66.9%	70.9%	76.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	16.6%	Up from 15.8%	9.3%	4.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.5%	Up from 82.3%	83.5%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.7%	Up from 94.4%	95.0%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,075	Up 3.3%	\$44,753	\$46,992
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	1.7%	Up from 0.6%	1.0%	0.4%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.6%	Up from 5.4%	5.6%	2.3%
Professional development days/teacher	10.4 days	Down from 18.1 days	13.1 days	13.1 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	3.0	Up from 2.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.7 to 1	Down from 18.5 to 1	18.9 to 1	20.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.8%	Up from 86.9%	88.9%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$11,357	Up 4.8%	\$9,780	\$9,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	50.2%	Down from 50.3%	49.8%	52.7%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	53.1%	Down from 53.4%	53.7%	56.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	5	No Change	6	9
Portable classrooms	33.1%	Up from 1.3%	2.9%	3.5%
Average age in years of school facilities	32 Years	Up from 31 Years	31 Years	28 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	5.0	No Change	5.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	85.0%	Up from 78.4%	92.1%	93.9%
Average administrator salary	\$80,198	Up 4.9%	\$75,319	\$79,261
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	81.0%	Up from 61.9%	72.4%	85.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The path to success for Dorchester District Four requires mutual interaction in a positive manner from all the stakeholders. "Pulling Together" is the driving force that will provide quality education to all students. The district must continue to recruit, retain and train quality teachers. Measuring student achievement through test results must be used to drive the implementation of our curriculum.

We were honored to celebrate many successes during the 2008-2009 school year:

Woodland High School received the 2008-2009 Palmetto Silver Award

Air Force Association recognized an elementary teacher as Air Force Association Teacher of the Year

A student from Woodland High School was selected to attend the South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Math

A student from Woodland High School was the first to be selected as a Congressional Page for Representative James Clyburn in Washington, DC

Seven teachers received National Board Certification

A student at Woodland High School received a Palmetto Fellow Award

Woodland High School seniors received approximately \$3,000,000 in scholarships

Parental involvement in our schools is the continuing ingredient necessary to strengthen the learning environment. Thank you parents, teachers, and staff for your ongoing support of Dorchester Four.

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