

SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Spartanburg 3 School District
Grades: PK-12 **Enrollment: 3,064**
Superintendent: James O. Ray
Board Chair: Mr. Eddie Dearybury

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	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	5	13	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	76.9%	71.5%	76.4%	77.0%	74.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.5%	71.7%	67.5%	71.3%	70.5%
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	35.1%	26.4%	22.6%	29.3%	28.2%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	35.3%	29.1%	18.1%	26.8%	29.1%
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	80.9%	11.4%	7.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	76.2%	12.4%	11.4%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2009 (%)

District	96.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	94.2%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	67.5
Districts with Students Like Ours**	60.5

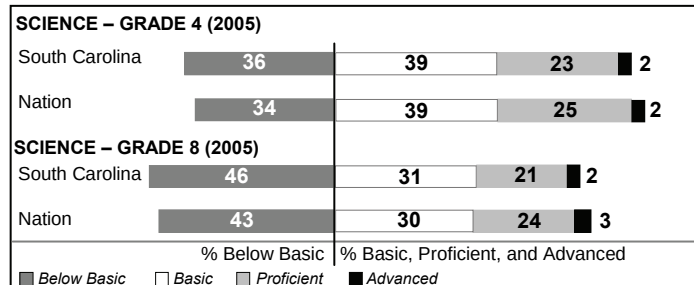
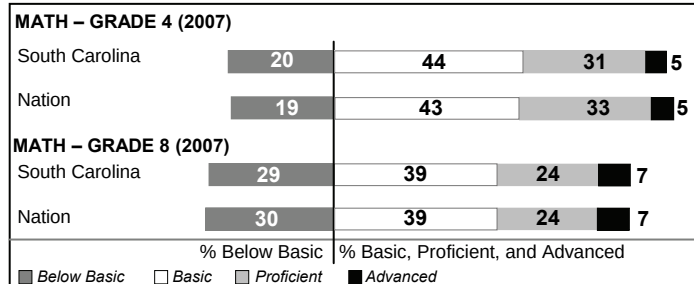
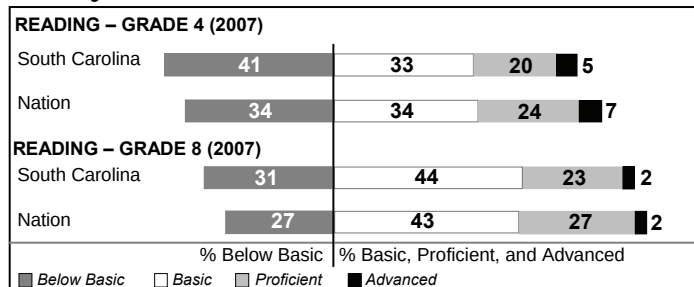
On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	85.0%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.5%

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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=3,064)				
Retention rate	2.8%	Down from 3.2%	2.8%	3.1%
Attendance rate	94.9%	Down from 95.2%	95.7%	95.7%
Eligible for gifted and talented	13.7%	Down from 14.3%	13.7%	11.2%
With disabilities other than speech	13.6%	No Change	11.1%	10.6%
Older than usual for grade	2.6%	Up from 2.4%	3.7%	4.3%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.6%	0.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	18.6%	Up from 15.0%	14.3%	10.5%
Successful on AP/IB exams	55.3%	Up from 54.3%	55.3%	51.2%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	49.5%	Down from 61.6%	31.3%	30.8%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	6	Down from 12	74	40
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	6	Down from 11	44	30
Annual dropout rate	0.9%	Down from 1.5%	2.9%	3.4%
Teachers (n=201)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.2%	Down from 68.3%	60.9%	56.8%
Continuing contract teachers	79.1%	Up from 75.5%	79.1%	76.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.1%	Down from 2.2%	3.6%	4.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.0%	Down from 88.0%	90.5%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Up from 95.8%	95.0%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,372	Up 3.0%	\$47,656	\$46,992
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.0%	No Change	0.1%	0.4%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.2%	Down from 2.8%	1.1%	2.3%
Professional development days/teacher	16.8 days	Down from 19.9 days	13.0 days	13.1 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	12.0	Up from 11.0	2.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.8 to 1	Up from 20.2 to 1	20.8 to 1	20.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.5%	Up from 89.2%	89.5%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,798	Up 2.0%	\$9,028	\$9,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	50.8%	Up from 50.0%	54.9%	52.7%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	52.9%	Up from 52.0%	57.2%	56.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	7	No Change	13	9
Portable classrooms	0.0%	No Change	4.3%	3.5%
Average age in years of school facilities	29 Years	Down from 30 Years	27 Years	28 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	7.0	No Change	13.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	98.8%	Up from 97.8%	95.4%	93.9%
Average administrator salary	\$86,696	Up 6.4%	\$79,295	\$79,261
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	89.7%	Up from 69.0%	90.9%	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 2008-2009 school year can best be described as a year of great accomplishments by our students, faculty members, schools, and district. Our students have excelled in all areas of our school programs. From academics to athletics, fine arts to community service, a culture of excellence permeates our school system.

Our academic achievement continues to be top ranked. Broome High School was recognized as a Bronze Medalist in US News and World Reports America's Best High Schools and received a visit from a team of educators from Chicago Public Schools to learn Broome's keys to helping students achieve academic success. Daniel Morgan Technology Center received the Palmetto Gold Honor, which recognizes schools for high levels of academic achievement. Students from DMTC won state competitions in Culinary Arts and Firefighting, and also competed at the national level. Cannons Elementary School received special recognition as a Red Carpet School for creating a family-friendly school environment and providing excellent customer service. Cowpens Elementary School was chosen to be a Palmetto Gold and Silver Showcase School.

We are proud of the demonstrated instructional growth in the areas of reading, math, language, and science as evidenced by our students' academic data on MAP (Measures of Academic Progress). In addition, our students continue to excel on the state accountability measures such as HSAP (High School Assessment Program). BHS seniors have received an average of \$2,900,000 in scholarships over the past three years.

Spartanburg School District 3 is a leader in technology. From computers in the classroom to sound amplification systems and interactive white boards, our teachers and students in all grades are equipped with the most up-to-date and effective equipment and software.

Our faculty has earned many distinctions including: 2008 Teacher of the Year - Association for Career and Technical Education, Region II; Vice President for Health Science Technology Educational for the Association for Career & Technical Education (ACTE) Board of Directors; National Board Certification for three additional teachers; 9 faculty/staff earned state recognition for publications in their school through SCNSPRA; South Carolina Council for Exceptional Children Special Education Teacher of the Year award; grants totaling over \$200,000; and 2008 Outstanding School Superintendent of the Year by the Career and Technology Education Administrators' Division of South Carolina.

A new auditorium/theater for Broome High School and the community of Spartanburg School District 3 is nearing completion, with an expected opening in November of 2009.

Community support for our schools remains loyal and dependable. Along with our Board of Trustees, we thank you for your continued support as we strive to provide a quality education in a safe secure environment that our students so deserve.

Jim Ray, Superintendent

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