SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Sumter 2 School District
Grades: PK-12 **Enrollment: 8,816**
Superintendent: Dr. J. Frank Baker
Board Chair: Mr. Larry Addison

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	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CDI
2008	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI
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	1	9	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	70.2%	65.8%	62.4%	67.8%	63.0%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	67.0%	63.1%	59.3%	65.3%	61.7%
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	28.0%	21.0%	14.8%	20.0%	20.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	27.5%	21.2%	13.7%	20.9%	21.3%
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	68.6%	18.7%	12.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	72.3%	14.1%	13.5%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2009 (%)

District	93.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	92.6%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	49.9
Districts with Students Like Ours**	52.3

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	81.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.8%

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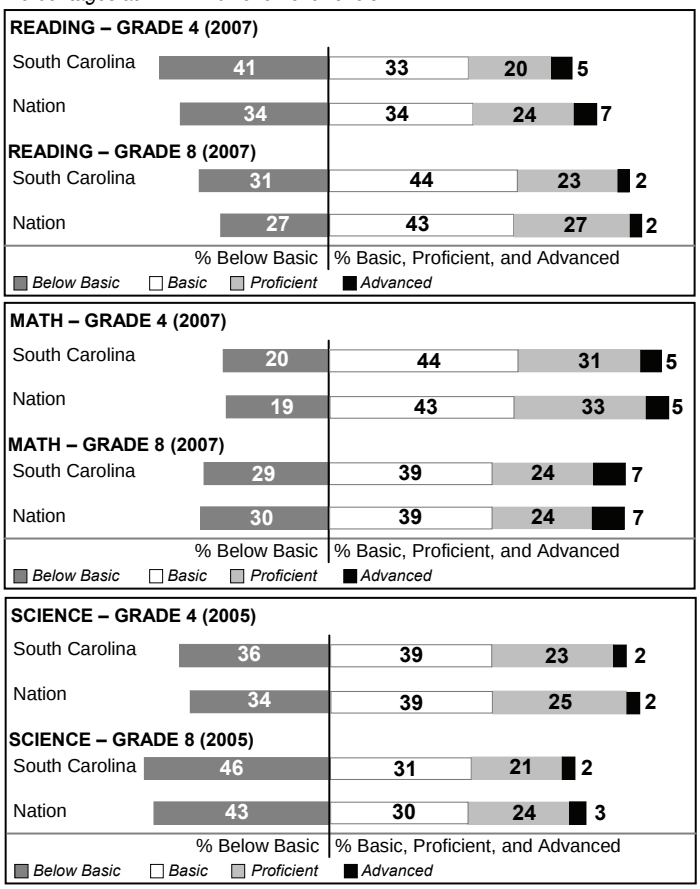
NAEP*

** 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=8,816)				
Retention rate	1.9%	No Change	3.0%	3.1%
Attendance rate	95.7%	Up from 95.6%	95.4%	95.7%
Eligible for gifted and talented	10.8%	Up from 9.8%	9.8%	11.2%
With disabilities other than speech	10.6%	Down from 10.7%	10.6%	10.6%
Older than usual for grade	4.2%	Down from 4.7%	4.2%	4.3%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.3%	Up from 0.2%	0.6%	0.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	1.6%	Down from 2.4%	7.4%	10.5%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	40.8%	51.2%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	30.5%	Up from 29.8%	29.5%	30.8%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	71	Down from 79	25	40
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	70	Down from 71	12	30
Annual dropout rate	3.9%	Down from 5.0%	3.1%	3.4%
Teachers (n=542)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	54.4%	Down from 54.7%	55.8%	56.8%
Continuing contract teachers	61.4%	Up from 59.6%	73.6%	76.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	13.3%	Down from 14.2%	6.5%	4.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.3%	Up from 81.2%	87.4%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Up from 95.6%	94.8%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	$43,424	Up 3.9%	$46,130	$46,992
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.4%	Down from 0.8%	0.4%	0.4%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	8.8%	Down from 12.1%	3.4%	2.3%
Professional development days/teacher	13.6 days	Down from 15.7 days	14.1 days	13.1 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	17.0	Up from 16.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.8 to 1	Down from 23.6 to 1	20.5 to 1	20.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.7%	Up from 90.2%	89.5%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	$8,206	Up 4.1%	$9,203	$9,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	48.8%	Down from 50.9%	50.2%	52.7%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	53.5%	Down from 53.9%	54.1%	56.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	15	No Change	7	9
Portable classrooms	5.1%	Down from 5.7%	3.3%	3.5%
Average age in years of school facilities	27 Years	Down from 29 Years	39 Years	28 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	15.0	No Change	6.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	89.1%	Down from 91.5%	95.2%	93.9%
Average administrator salary	$81,013	Up 5.3%	$80,660	$79,261
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	93.1%	Up from 70.4%	82.8%	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

Sumter School District Two serves approximately 8,800 students throughout Sumter County. We are a progressive industrial, agricultural, and rural community whose mission is to ensure the highest quality education for each student. Our schools serve students from a 676 square mile area.

District Two is a fiscally responsible school district and prides itself on being a good steward of the taxpayers' dollars. We keep a close eye on our expenditures and make sure we spend the dollars where they are most needed. We continue to seek grants to enhance the quality of instruction in our district. We are currently involved in building projects to enable us to make renovations and additions to eight of our schools and the Sumter County Career Center.

The district was visited in March by a quality assurance team who recognized us as a "quality school system." The international accrediting organization visited the district and schools, certified that District Two met all the standards, and recommended that District Two receive the AdvancED Accreditation. Only 20 other school districts in the state have earned this accreditation. Many areas were reviewed in earning the accreditation, and the process included an intense look at instruction, faculty and staff professional development, technology, communication, and leadership.

Although our District has made significant strides in test scores in most areas, our instructional leaders remain diligent in addressing areas for improvement in performance on the PASS and other standardized testing. District teachers continue to participate in professional development activities, studying the latest Standards In Practice, reviewing and learning from student results from Benchmark and MAP tests, and updating plans to increase student learning. The district staff development program continues to provide training in a variety of professional areas.

Although we faced dire budget cuts during the 2008-2009 school year, our Board of Trustees remained committed to academic excellence and fiscal responsibility. District administrators and employees continue to provide and enhance the educational quality that exemplifies Sumter School District Two.

We are proud of our outstanding academic, athletic, and additional extracurricular programs. Our combined senior classes of 2008 from Crestwood and Lakewood High Schools earned a combined total of $16.8 million in scholarship funds. It is an exciting time in Sumter School District Two. For up-to-date information in the district, visit our website at www.Sumter2.org, which includes links to all of our schools, or visit our schools and see why we are so proud of each of them.

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Superintendent

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