

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Westside High
Anderson 5
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,718
Principal: Henry D. Adair
Superintendent: Betty T. Bagley
Board Chair: Dr. William Mack Burriss

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	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Excellent	Gold	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	7	23	4	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/23/2010. 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	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
Passed 2 subtests (%)	75.5%	69.2%	78.5%	73.4%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	14.3%	13.8%	11.8%	14.0%
Passed no subtests (%)	10.2%	17.1%	9.8%	12.6%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.4%	93.1%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

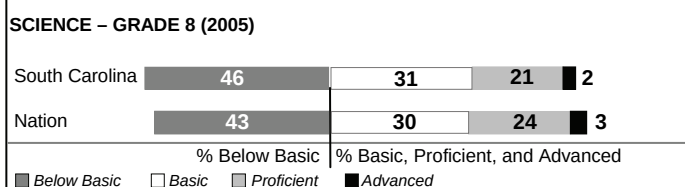
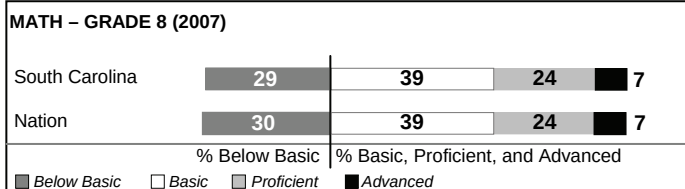
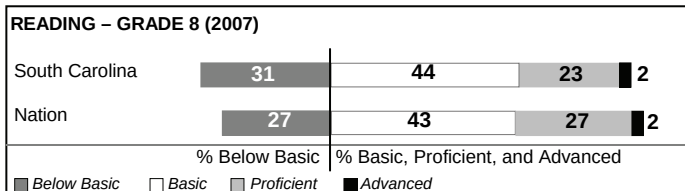
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	445	258
Number of Diplomas	318	188
Rate (%)	71.5%	74.4%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	76.3%	69.7%
English 1	73.0%	57.4%
Physical Science	64.4%	47.2%
US History and the Constitution	27.8%	35.8%
All Tests	60.5%	51.5%

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 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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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,718)				
Retention rate	3.2%	Down from 5.1%	4.7%	4.8%
Attendance rate	98.7%	Up from 93.8%	94.8%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.6%	Up from 0.0%	10.0%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	18.3%	Down from 19.9%	13.7%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	6.8%	Down from 8.2%	8.7%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.3%	Down from 3.6%	0.7%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	16.3%	Up from 9.4%	9.5%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	67.8%	Down from 70.8%	51.3%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	10.3%	Down from 41.9%	29.0%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	5.2%	Up from 5.1%	4.4%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	3.8%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	807	Down from 843	567	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	65.0%	Down from 76.3%	78.3%	79.3%
Teachers (n=112)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	53.6%	Up from 48.6%	57.1%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	80.4%	Up from 75.7%	76.1%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	5.8%	Down from 6.4%	6.4%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.2%	Down from 86.1%	86.9%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	95.3%	Down from 96.1%	95.4%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,720	Up 7.0%	\$47,615	\$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.8%	Up from 4.8%	3.9%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	13.7 days	Up from 9.8 days	12.0 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	27.0	Up from 26.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.7 to 1	Down from 31.8 to 1	26.2 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.3%	Up from 88.0%	89.3%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,536	Up 2.6%	\$7,615	\$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.9%	Up from 59.6%	54.2%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.5%	Down from 63.6%	60.1%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	93.1%	Down from 94.4%	96.4%	95.8%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	61.9%	Down from 81.0%	64.7%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	96	237	10
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.7%	74.3%	80.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.8%	83.3%	70.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	88.5%	84.4%	60.0%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

"Learning Today! Leading Tomorrow!"

Westside High School aptly reflects the ideals of its mission statement. By assuring quality improvement in every facet of school life and incorporating the resources and diversities of our communities, Westside High School's mission is to educate all students and produce graduates with the knowledge and skills to be lifelong learners, individuals with ethical character, and citizens who contribute to an ever-changing global society." "A Family Where It's A Matter of Pride!"

Located in an urban area between Greenville, South Carolina and Atlanta, Georgia, our school population consists of approximately 1620 students. We provide an exemplary education to students through a vast array of programs that include rigorous academics, competitive athletics, and excellent visual and performing arts. We have established a smaller learning community with our 9th Grade Academy with promising results in reducing ninth grade retentions. We have also established the AVID program offering more rigorous curriculum opportunities for first-generation college bound students.

For this school year, Westside graduated 361 seniors in May who:

Received over \$4,960,818 in scholarships.
Received \$408,800 in scholarships for Palmetto Fellows.
Included 14 Palmetto Fellows.
Included 118 Honor Graduates.
Included 13 recipients of Anderson School District Five Honors Diplomas.

Our instructional staff is committed to providing a quality learning experience for all students. More than 65% of our teachers hold advanced degrees, and 10% percent of our teachers have obtained National Board Certification. For the last three years, our parents, community members, teachers, and local business partners volunteered over 18,700 hours assisting our staff with clerical, instructional, and athletic needs.

We are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Our curriculum offers courses in foreign languages that include French, Spanish, and German. Advanced Placement courses include English Literature & Language, US History, World History, Psychology, Calculus, Physics, Government, and Biology. We are nationally accredited for our Engineering Academy through Project Lead the Way and in 2008 we won The Palmetto Gold Award for excellence on the State Report Card. Westside was also awarded the distinction of Exemplary Writing School for the 2008-2011 school year.

The faculty and staff of Westside High School appreciate cultural diversity, unite in support of democracy, and believe that all students can experience success.

Henry Adair, Principal

Joy Fisher, School Improvement Chair

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