

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Williston-Elko High
Williston 29
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 312
Principal: Samuel P. Lax
Superintendent: Alexia C. Clamp
Board Chair: Mr. Calvin Melton

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	At-Risk	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2008	Good	Good	Silver	Gold	Not Met	N/A
2007	Good	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	20	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 (%)	70.4%	62.2%	78.8%	74.1%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	15.5%	18.9%	11.5%	13.8%
Passed no subtests (%)	14.1%	18.9%	9.6%	12.1%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	95.6%	93.1%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

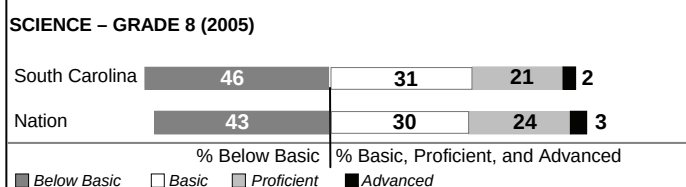
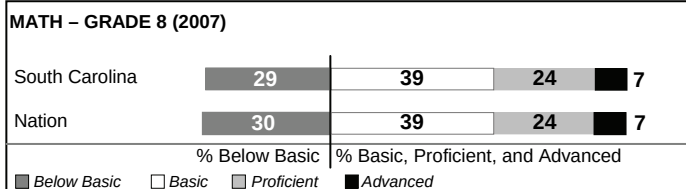
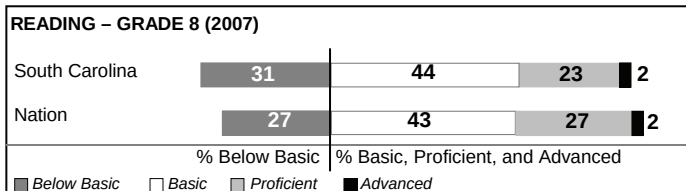
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	75	250
Number of Diplomas	58	184
Rate (%)	77.3%	75.0%

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	60.8%	69.4%
English 1	57.5%	57.8%
Physical Science	31.7%	46.5%
US History and the Constitution	41.3%	35.3%
All Tests	47.7%	51.2%

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.

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	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=312)				
Retention rate	11.6%	Up from 7.6%	4.3%	4.8%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 95.1%	95.0%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.0%	No Change	9.0%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	11.6%	Down from 16.9%	13.6%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	14.1%	Up from 10.1%	9.1%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.0%	Down from 7.8%	0.6%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	30.4%	Down from 38.6%	8.6%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	51.4%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	28.1%	Down from 38.9%	28.9%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	3.0%	Up from 1.7%	4.2%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	6.7%	Up from 4.7%	5.3%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	217	Down from 227	554	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	76.4%	Up from 66.2%	80.3%	79.3%
Teachers (n=24)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	54.2%	Up from 36.4%	57.0%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	75.0%	Down from 77.3%	78.2%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	18.2%	Up from 11.1%	7.9%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.9%	No Change	86.8%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	95.4%	Down from 96.2%	95.6%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$41,253	Up 6.7%	\$47,757	\$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.3%	Up from 0.0%	4.1%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	10.8 days	Down from 14.8 days	12.0 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.0 to 1	Down from 24.2 to 1	27.0 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.8%	Down from 88.9%	89.7%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,188	Up 2.9%	\$7,573	\$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	48.4%	Down from 49.8%	54.1%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	55.9%	Up from 55.5%	59.1%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.4%	Down from 98.5%	95.9%	95.8%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	53.8%	Down from 77.8%	64.7%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.
** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	38	8
Percent satisfied with learning environment	89.5%	89.5%	I/S
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	84.2%	81.1%	I/S
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	60.0%	86.8%	I/S

*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

Williston-Elko High School is the only school in a rural district serving the towns of Williston and Elko and the surrounding areas of Barnwell County. The school and community work closely together to meet the needs of all students in providing a quality education that encompasses a broad range of instructional programs and extracurricular activities.

The school is proud of its many achievements and does not let our small size limit our accomplishments. Our school received the prestigious Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards for outstanding student achievement. Our graduating class had many scholarship recipients. Our students achieved success in various academic and vocational competitions around the state. Our band made it to the state competition and our drama department put on an outstanding performance of "Grease". Our athletic teams and athletes received many honors this year including numerous region titles and playing for the state championship in football.

We continue to expose our students to the world of work. We had a Career Day featuring local and area businesses. Many students participated in job shadowing opportunities with numerous students obtaining employment through the School-To-Work program. Our students and staff contribute to the community with various charitable activities including blood drives, recycling projects, and fundraisers as well as global concerns such as the Invisible Children Project. We continued to bring in local agencies and organizations to provide needed services and assistance for our students.

We are very proud of the year we had at Williston-Elko High School. Our students, staff, parents, administration and community are committed to the mission of working together to make our school the very best it can be.

Samuel P. Lax, Principal
Richard Stanton, School Improvement Council, Chairperson