



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Cheraw High
Chesterfield County
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 869
Principal: Henry L. Cobb
Superintendent: Dr. John E. Williams
Board Chair: Chad Vick

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	Good	Silver	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	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	21	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 (%)	76.2%	70.9%	78.1%	74.2%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	13.9%	17.4%	11.8%	13.3%
Passed no subtests (%)	9.9%	11.7%	10.1%	12.5%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	95.0%	93.5%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

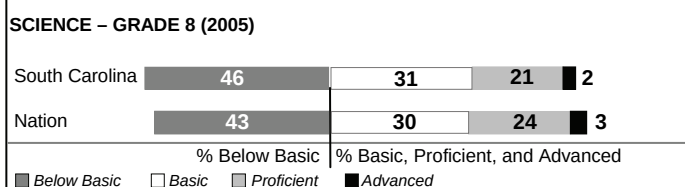
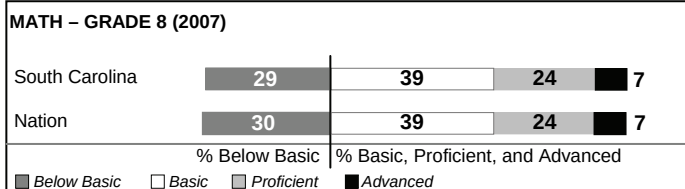
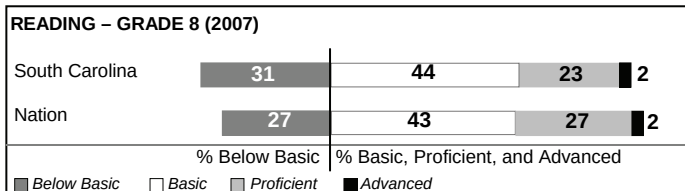
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	208	224
Number of Diplomas	154	167
Rate (%)	74.0%	75.6%

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	71.9%	69.0%
English 1	60.6%	56.1%
Physical Science	37.9%	43.6%
US History and the Constitution	51.6%	32.6%
All Tests	56.1%	49.3%

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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Cheraw High [Chesterfield County]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=869)				
Retention rate	5.8%	Down from 7.1%	4.7%	4.8%
Attendance rate	94.8%	No Change	94.9%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.0%	No Change	9.1%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	17.2%	Up from 17.1%	13.5%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	7.6%	Up from 6.2%	9.5%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.1%	Up from 0.0%	0.5%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	8.3%	Down from 9.2%	8.4%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	84.8%	Up from 78.9%	49.7%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	20.7%	Down from 29.6%	29.4%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	1.0%	Down from 1.8%	4.2%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	5.6%	Down from 6.9%	5.6%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	634	Down from 660	516	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	74.6%	Up from 70.8%	82.0%	79.3%
Teachers (n=56)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.1%	Up from 53.4%	55.2%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	73.2%	Up from 69.0%	75.4%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	14.5%	Up from 13.0%	8.2%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.4%	Down from 91.1%	85.4%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.7%	Up from 95.0%	95.4%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,267	Up 0.8%	\$47,615	\$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.4%	Down from 6.8%	3.1%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	6.8 days	Down from 16.2 days	11.0 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	9.0	Up from 8.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	26.2 to 1	Down from 27.8 to 1	26.2 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.3%	Up from 87.8%	89.4%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,851	Up 4.3%	\$7,883	\$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	62.1%	Up from 61.4%	54.1%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.8%	Up from 65.1%	59.0%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 97.7%	95.4%	95.8%
Character development program	Below Average	Up from At-Risk	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	52.9%	Down from 85.7%	64.7%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Accomplishments and expectations combined to make 2008-2009 a good year for Cheraw High School. The highlight of the school year was receiving the silver award for improvement on the school report card in student achievement. Improved student achievement continues to be the main focus of all stakeholders at Cheraw High School. The School Improvement Council worked very hard to help move the school toward greater excellence in education.

The year was marked by numerous accomplishments by both students and faculty. Thirty-four seniors earned a B average and were eligible for a Life Scholarship from the State Department of Education. The class of 2009 was offered in excess of one million, two hundred-thirty thousand dollars in scholarships and awards. Five seniors in the class of 2009 received athletic scholarships. Two seniors were named Palmetto Fellows winners by the State Department of Education. Three seniors were named Academic Honors Scholars by the State Department of Education. Fifty seniors earned a 3.0 or better GPA on the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale. Thirty-three students took an AP exam, 30, or 79%, of the students tested passed by scoring 3 or higher. Cheraw High was 1 of 5 high schools in the Pee Dee that had a higher percentage of 3-5 scores on the AP Placement exams. Four students were recognized as AP Scholars for scoring a 3 or higher on at least 3 AP exams. Cheraw High School sent the largest number of students (of all high schools in South Carolina) to the National History Day finals held in College Park, Maryland.

The band placed first in the Lower State Band Competition and third in the State Competition. Once again, Cheraw High School had a State Winner in Wrestling, and one student became a four-time State Winner in the Pole Vault Competition. The Girls' Softball team won the Region Championship for the first time in 20 years.

There is much at Cheraw High School of which to be proud. However, there is still much to be done to ensure that Cheraw High School is one of the "best high schools" in South Carolina.

Henry L. Cobb, Principal

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	61	145	30
Percent satisfied with learning environment	80.3%	74.3%	86.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.1%	77.2%	79.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	55.7%	82.6%	69.0%

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

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