



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Carolina Forest High

Horry

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 1,913

Principal: Velna Allen

Superintendent: Dr. Cynthia Elsberry

Board Chair: Will Garland

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	Good	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2008	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	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
2	8	21	0	0

* 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 (%)	87.8%	85.0%	83.1%	77.8%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	7.8%	8.8%	9.6%	12.0%
Passed no subtests (%)	4.3%	6.3%	7.6%	10.2%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	97.0%	94.7%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

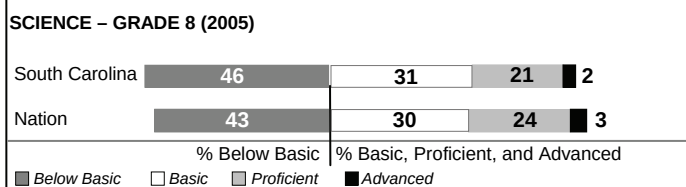
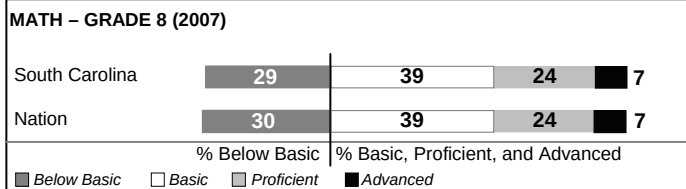
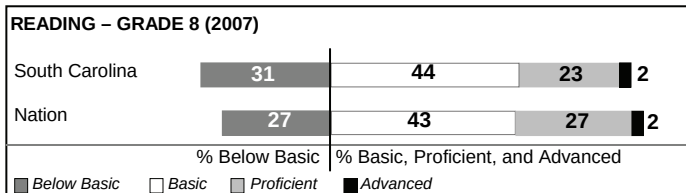
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	459	341
Number of Diplomas	317	253
Rate (%)	69.1%	74.8%

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	89.7%	74.0%
English 1	76.4%	64.8%
Physical Science	82.4%	58.3%
US History and the Constitution	55.3%	46.8%
All Tests	75.3%	60.0%

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=1,913)				
Retention rate	4.8%	Down from 5.7%	3.7%	4.8%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 95.0%	95.3%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	20.3%	Up from 12.4%	13.3%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	13.2%	Down from 15.4%	12.7%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	6.6%	Down from 7.6%	7.1%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.9%	No Change	1.3%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	15.9%	Down from 18.9%	16.1%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	90.5%	Up from 77.8%	55.6%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	32.0%	Down from 34.2%	33.1%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	3.1%	Up from 2.6%	3.6%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	9.3%	Up from 9.0%	1.9%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1075	Down from 1115	700	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	75.8%	Up from 67.6%	79.2%	79.3%
Teachers (n=100)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	69.0%	Up from 66.7%	63.2%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	71.0%	Up from 69.8%	77.4%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	4.3%	Down from 5.3%	4.3%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.0%	Up from 86.1%	87.0%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Up from 95.4%	95.7%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,748	Up 3.8%	\$48,711	\$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.6%	Down from 3.1%	2.0%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	17.4 days	Up from 15.3 days	10.9 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	9.0	Up from 8.0	6.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	31.0 to 1	Up from 28.4 to 1	28.0 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.3%	Up from 89.2%	90.3%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,580	Up 5.8%	\$6,890	\$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	40.5%	Down from 52.7%	55.2%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.4%	Up from 57.8%	60.0%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 92.0%	95.7%	95.8%
Character development program	Good	Up from Below Average	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	81.0%	Down from 95.2%	70.6%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

We are excited about our continued progress in student achievement in 2008-09, culminated by graduating 337 seniors with scholarship offers of more than \$7 million. We focused on helping our students to acquire 21st century skills needed to be successful in the workforce or at the next educational level. Teachers used data from various programs to improve End-of-Course test results in Physical Science, English I, Algebra I, and US History as well as SAT, ACT, and HSAP. Our "We the People" team finished first in the State and competed nationally in Washington, DC. We received the Law Related Education High School of the Year award from the SC Bar Association. Our NJROTC unit received the "Unit Achievement" award from the Navy. Our student newspaper was awarded an All-Southern rating, All-State, and the Palmetto Award from the SC Scholastic Press Association. Our student broadcasting program received a SIPA Superior rating and was awarded the SCSPA All-Southern rating. Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) students placed in ten events in District competition; four students placed first in their category, and one student won the "Voice of Democracy" state competition. Our Fine Arts department presented 13 sold out performances of the Broadway musical CATS. Our show choir won the Grand Champion award at the PAC National Freedom Festival in New York, with one student named best soloist. Theater students competed in the Coastal Carolina University festival with two students placing in the top five for monologue and a student placing first in technical theatre. Our CFHS concert band received a superior rating at the SCBDA state concert band festival. Our athletic teams captured seven region championships in our first 4-A year. Also, the majority of our varsity teams entered state playoffs, with an individual earning silver medalist in girls' track. We would like to thank everyone for their support as we progress toward our goals. Without your assistance, our continued progress would not be possible. Velna Allen, CFHS Principal; Doug Williams, SIC Chairman

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	86	248	49
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	73.8%	75.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	74.5%	75.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	88.2%	77.4%	79.6%

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

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