

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Lexington High
Lexington 1
Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 2,622**
Principal: B. Creig Tyler
Superintendent: Dr. Karen C. Woodward
Board Chair: G. Edwin Harmon, Ph.D.

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	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2008	Excellent	Good	Gold	Gold	Not Met	N/A
2007	Excellent	Good	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
6	0	0	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 (%)	94.0%	92.3%	95.1%	91.2%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	3.3%	3.5%	3.3%	6.6%
Passed no subtests (%)	2.7%	4.2%	2.4%	3.3%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	98.5%	99.1%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

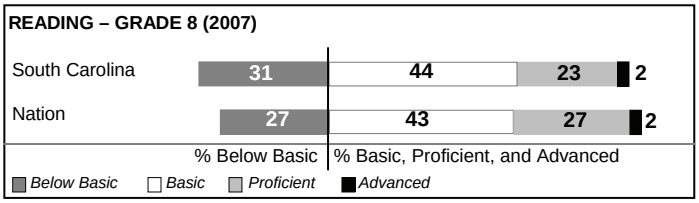
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	638	312
Number of Diplomas	541	270
Rate (%)	84.8%	77.5%

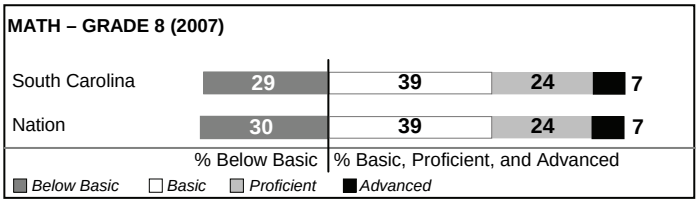
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

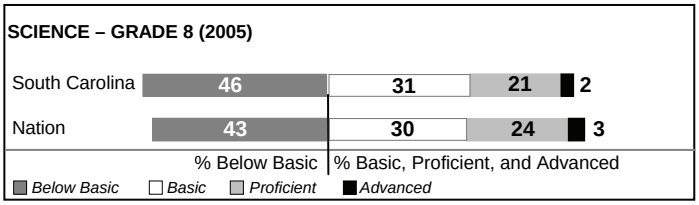
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	91.6%	89.8%
English 1	81.1%	88.1%
Physical Science	81.9%	80.9%
US History and the Constitution	74.5%	70.3%
All Tests	82.4%	81.9%

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=2,622)				
Retention rate	3.2%	Down from 3.5%	3.1%	4.8%
Attendance rate	95.8%	Up from 95.3%	96.8%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	15.2%	Down from 18.4%	15.2%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	6.4%	Up from 5.2%	8.7%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	3.7%	Down from 4.3%	3.6%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.7%	Down from 2.0%	0.6%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	62.7%	Up from 35.4%	40.3%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	75.8%	Down from 76.5%	70.1%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	70.0%	Down from 72.0%	66.4%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	2.5%	Up from 0.4%	0.4%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1626	Up from 1299	313	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	91.7%	Down from 94.6%	91.7%	79.3%
Teachers (n=153)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	67.3%	Up from 62.5%	67.3%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	77.1%	Up from 74.3%	77.0%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	3.6%	Down from 3.7%	3.6%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.9%	Down from 89.0%	89.3%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	95.2%	No Change	96.1%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	$51,837	Up 4.4%	$49,300	$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 4.3%	3.0%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	12.2 days	Up from 10.6 days	10.1 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.4 to 1	Up from 24.0 to 1	26.3 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.6%	Up from 89.1%	91.1%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	$6,536	Down 0.4%	$7,338	$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	52.4%	Down from 64.4%	57.5%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.1%	Up from 67.0%	65.1%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	64.6%	Up from 42.7%	99.3%	95.8%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Good
% of AYP objectives met	88.2%	Up from 71.4%	96.2%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	121	495	17
Percent satisfied with learning environment	99.2%	82.8%	94.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	86.6%	93.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	98.3%	89.0%	87.5%

*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

Excellence and high expectations have been the hallmarks of Lexington High School, and the 2008–2009 school year was no different.

We were again named a Palmetto Gold Award Winner based on our students' test scores. The HSAP pass rate was 99 percent. Our senior class had 142 Honor Graduates (4.0 GPA or higher/or top 10 percent of class) and 38 of those students were named Palmetto Fellows. Seventy percent (387) of the seniors qualified for the LIFE Scholarship and at least 88 percent of the graduating seniors plan to attend college using some of the $11.8 million offered in scholarships. Four students were named National Merit Finalists.

The LHS legacy of outstanding and competitive extracurricular activities continues to be impressive. The Girl's Golf team won the 4A State Championship, and nine other athletic teams won region championships. The LHS Drama students placed second in the Southeastern Theater Competition. The LHS Marching Band won sixth place at the 5A State Marching Band Championship. The Air Force JROTC was awarded a Unit of Distinction designation.

Growth is a word that epitomizes our accomplishments and challenges. Planning and preparation for the International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme have been a three-year-long process, and the course of study continues to grow. Our Advanced Placement classes have grown from students taking 252 exams in 2006 to 719 exams in 2009. These growing and successfully high-scoring programs garnered LHS a silver medal as one of America's Best High Schools, designated by the "US News & World Report."

People continue to move into our community as they hear about these accolades and our outstanding school. Our fast-growing student population (four percent a year) presents our greatest challenge. We continually work to innovatively use time, technology and space as we attempt to accommodate our growth.

We are serious about our responsibility to serve our students and the community and to provide the best education possible.

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Vicki Ringer, SIC Chair

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