



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

York Comprehensive High

York 1

Grades: 10-12

Enrollment: 1,068

Principal: Diane Howell

Superintendent: Dr Vernon Prosser

Board Chair: Chris Revels

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	Good	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2008	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	8	28	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 (%)	87.3%	73.7%	82.2%	77.8%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	9.2%	14.8%	10.2%	11.7%
Passed no subtests (%)	3.4%	11.5%	7.8%	10.5%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	98.0%	94.5%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

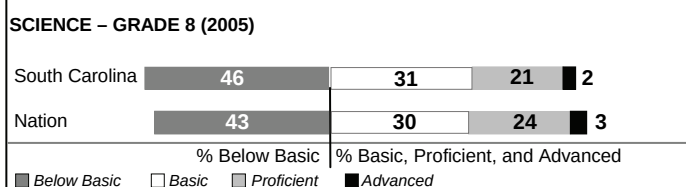
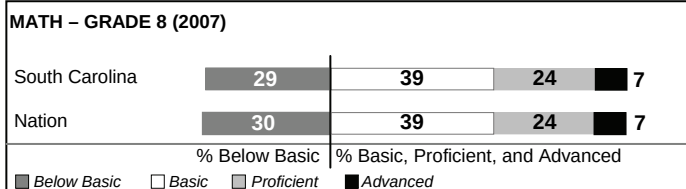
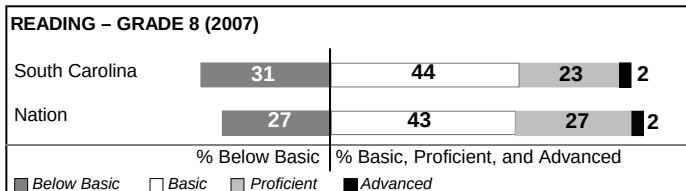
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	318	291
Number of Diplomas	266	214
Rate (%)	83.6%	74.5%

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	50.0%	74.5%
English 1	N/A	63.9%
Physical Science	42.9%	56.3%
US History and the Constitution	28.8%	42.1%
All Tests	31.0%	58.6%

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=1,068)				
Retention rate	1.2%	Down from 1.7%	4.2%	4.8%
Attendance rate	95.0%	No Change	95.5%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.0%	No Change	13.2%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	9.3%	Down from 9.5%	12.9%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	4.2%	Down from 4.6%	7.9%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.8%	Down from 3.1%	1.3%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	7.3%	Up from 5.6%	16.2%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	42.9%	Down from 76.2%	50.5%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	58.2%	Up from 32.0%	33.8%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	3.4%	Down from 4.8%	3.5%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	2.4%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	866	Up from 834	618	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	91.5%	Up from 80.0%	80.5%	79.3%
Teachers (n=54)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	77.8%	Down from 81.1%	63.2%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	90.7%	Up from 84.9%	76.7%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	3.8%	Up from 2.0%	5.0%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	94.7%	Down from 95.8%	86.9%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	95.2%	Down from 96.9%	95.6%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,251	Up 3.8%	\$48,217	\$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	2.0%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	10.0 days	Down from 10.3 days	11.1 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.8 to 1	Up from 28.1 to 1	27.3 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.0%	Down from 90.6%	90.3%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,860	Up 8.5%	\$7,438	\$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	53.2%	Down from 53.8%	53.6%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.5%	Down from 57.0%	59.7%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.0%	Down from 99.9%	96.4%	95.8%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	70.6%	Down from 100.0%	70.6%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	56	309	105
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.1%	77.3%	85.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	89.3%	83.1%	79.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	83.9%	85.7%	75.2%

*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

York Comprehensive High School continued to move toward excellence using the High Schools that Work Model for improvement. College Entrance exams scores improved to an all-time high, Advanced Placement passage rates exceeded state and national averages, and high school exit exam and graduation rates were among the highest in the county. Our students excelled in academics, athletics, band, chorus, NJROTC, art, and other extracurricular activities.

We are proud of the success of our students and very thankful for the strong, unified support we received from our parents and community. This support is evidenced by the current construction of a new high school to include a performing arts center, athletic complex, and technology center for grades 9-12. Construction is well under way, with occupancy expected for fall 2010.

The class of 2009 set the pace for high levels of academic achievement. Two seniors received state academic honor awards and thirty-four seniors were honor graduates. Ten students were Palmetto Fellows. One hundred eighty-one students were potential Life Scholarship recipients. One hundred seventeen seniors received a Diploma with Distinction. For the twelfth consecutive year, our NJROTC was recognized as a Distinguished Unit. National and state recognition was awarded to seven world language students. Thirteen students participated in All-State Chorus. Our goal of creating a "college going" culture is being met, with over \$3 million being offered in scholarships and many seniors planning to go to college.

YCHS' faculty is 100% highly qualified and 81% have a masters degree or higher. Teachers provided a well-rounded curriculum that was aligned with the SC standards. A curriculum framework was developed which included individual graduation plans. Students were provided an adult mentor thru "PRIDE," a new advisor/advisee program. Professional development focused on use of new technology, including "Promethean Boards," literacy, and understanding student needs. Credit recovery was offered before, during, and after school. Sophomores were administered the PLAN and PSAT. Juniors were offered ASVAB, Compass, and PSAT. Strategies were implemented to improve HSAP, EOC, and SAT/ACT scores. Incentive programs were conducted to recognize students and staff for academic, attendance, and other successes. The school was made safer by continuing use of random drug dog searches.

We are confident that YCHS will continue to provide a quality education for all students. We are committed to continuous improvement toward excellence. Please visit our website for additional information. www.york.k12.sc.us.

Darlene Dunlap, Chair
Diane Howell, Principal