

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

AIKEN COUNTY CAREER CENTER
Grades: 11-12 **Enrollment: 426**
Director: Patrick W. O'Neill
Board Chair: Dr. Christine Harkins
Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt

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		
2010	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	N/A	N/A
2009	Excellent	Good	Gold	N/A	N/A	N/A
2008	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	N/A	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS IN SC*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
17	14	1	4	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/07/2011. All Career Centers in South Carolina are included.

TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at a center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
393	92.1%	86.0%

GRADUATION RATE

The number of 12th grade career technology education students who graduate in the spring is divided by the number of 12th graders enrolled in the center and converted to a percentage.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
108	94.4%	95.8%

PLACEMENT RATE

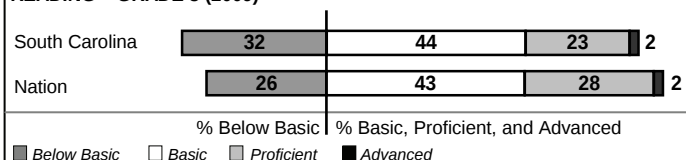
The number of career and technology completers who are available for placement in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment is divided into the number of students over a three-year period who are actually placed and converted to a percentage. This criterion mirrors the Perkins standard.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
244	97.1%	96.7%

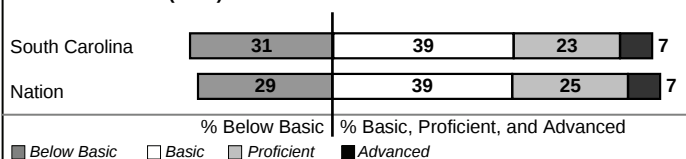
NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

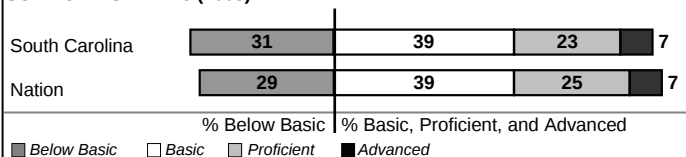
READING - GRADE 8 (2009)



MATH - GRADE 8 (2009)



SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)



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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AIKEN COUNTY CAREER CENTER [Aiken]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=426)			
With disabilities other than speech	12.0%	Down from 13.6%	9.8%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	32.9%	Down from 34.9%	15.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	426	Up from 375	611
Students participating in work-based experiences	100.0%	Up from 61.1%	27.2%
Teachers (n=20)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	10.0%	Down from 17.6%	25.0%
Continuing contract teachers	70.0%	Down from 82.4%	75.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	36.8%	Up from 17.6%	21.4%
Teachers returning from previous year	84.6%	Down from 90.6%	91.6%
Teacher attendance rate	97.7%	Up from 97.0%	95.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,476	Down 16.0%	\$48,180
Professional development days/teacher	9.3 days	Down from 15.2 days	12.8 days
Center			
Director's years at Center	3.0	Up from 2.0	6.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,034	Down 28.1%	\$3,276
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	37.8%	Up from 37.1%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	51.6%	Down from 53.6%	66.6%
Parents attending conferences	90.1%	Up from 74.9%	94.9%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	136	76
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.0%	85.1%	86.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.0%	83.8%	73.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	90.0%	87.4%	70.3%

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Aiken County Career and Technology Center (ACCTC) serves the school District of Aiken County. The school ended the year with one of its highest enrollments ever, 404 students. There were 121 Career and Technology Completers for 2010-11. These students have a four-course concentration in their course of study with many receiving National and State certification.

ACCTC continues to be involved in initiatives tied to Technical Centers That Work (TCTW). A math integration specialist has been put on campus to raise math scores and integrate math with technical areas. Professionalism 101 and 102 has been implemented along with the Capstone Project to incorporate rigor into the course work. The Career Center also went through a two-day Technical Assistance Visit (TAV) to obtain input from across the state on how the Career Center could continue to improve. The Career Center continues to elevate its rigor and technology use in coursework.

The Career Center routinely has students place in the top three in state competitions in Health Science, Cosmetology, Criminal Justice, Drafting, Automotive, and Agriculture. Competition is a vital part of all programs. The Welding program has also started an American Welding Society chapter, the only one in the state.

The Aiken County Career Center has also worked to broaden the horizons of its students and community by starting a German Exchange Program with a school from Mannheim, Germany, called Max Hachenburg. Thirteen students and two chaperones came to the Career Center and stayed with American students. Thirteen American students and two chaperones will travel to Mannheim in July. It has been a positive educational and cultural experience for all involved.

ACCTC continues to build on its partnerships with Aiken County business and industry partners, which proves to be an essential part of the success of the Aiken County Career and Technology Center.

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