

SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Spartanburg 3 School District
Grades: PK-12 **Enrollment: 3,015**
Superintendent: Dr. James O. Ray
Board Chair: Mr. Eddie Dearybury

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD General Performance	AND SILVER AWARD Closing the Gap	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2010	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI
2009	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT 0	GOOD 1	AVERAGE 18	BELOW AVERAGE 1	AT-RISK 0
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* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/24/2011. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PASS

PASS	2010 Reading % Met or above	2010 Math % Met or above	2010 Science % Met or above	2010 Social Studies % Met or above	2010 Writing % Met or above
District	75.3%	72.0%	77.1%	77.4%	74.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.8%	71.5%	68.0%	71.0%	72.3%
Average District	74.0%	70.6%	67.4%	71.0%	72.0%

PASS	2010 Reading % Exemplary	2010 Math % Exemplary	2010 Science % Exemplary	2010 Social Studies % Exemplary	2010 Writing % Exemplary
District	40.1%	29.4%	29.2%	32.4%	30.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	40.2%	32.2%	21.1%	28.6%	33.4%
Average District	39.7%	32.1%	21.9%	29.4%	33.4%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	79.9%	9.4%	10.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	78.6%	11.5%	9.9%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2010 (%)

District	88.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	90.8%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	70.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	64.0%

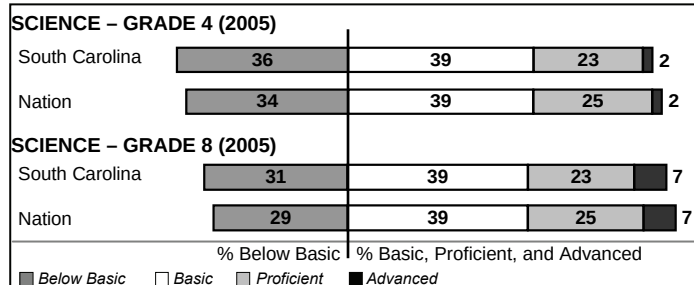
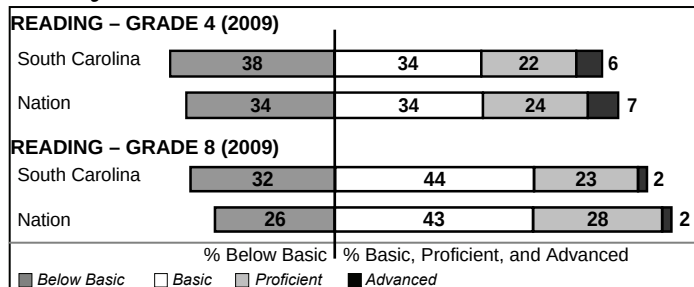
On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	73.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	71.4%

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NAEP*

* 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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DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=3,015)				
Retention rate	1.7%	Down from 2.8%	1.7%	2.3%
Attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 94.9%	95.5%	95.8%
Eligible for gifted and talented	21.7%	Up from 13.7%	17.7%	14.3%
With disabilities other than speech	13.8%	Up from 13.6%	10.6%	10.5%
Older than usual for grade	3.2%	Up from 2.6%	4.1%	4.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.5%	Up from 0.0%	0.7%	0.7%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	16.3%	Down from 18.6%	15.7%	12.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	67.7%	Up from 55.3%	52.2%	50.0%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	53.3%	Up from 49.5%	35.4%	31.4%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	0	Down from 6	112	47
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	0	Down from 6	39	29
Annual dropout rate	1.8%	Up from 0.9%	3.4%	3.1%
Teachers (n=202)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	65.3%	Down from 66.2%	61.3%	58.8%
Continuing contract teachers	81.2%	Up from 79.1%	84.4%	81.5%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.2%	Up from 2.1%	3.3%	4.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.2%	Up from 87.0%	91.5%	89.3%
Teacher attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 95.9%	95.2%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,802	Up 0.9%	\$47,493	\$46,618
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.5%	Up from 0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.6%	Up from 0.2%	1.5%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	15.3 days	Down from 16.8 days	12.3 days	12.6 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	13.0	Up from 12.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.5 to 1	Down from 20.8 to 1	21.3 to 1	20.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.7%	Down from 89.5%	89.6%	89.9%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,417	Down 3.9%	\$9,300	\$9,364
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	53.2%	Up from 50.8%	55.1%	53.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.3%	Up from 52.9%	57.9%	56.3%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	7	No Change	14	9
Portable classrooms	0.0%	No Change	3.5%	2.4%
Average age in years of school facilities	30 Years	Up from 29 Years	27 Years	27 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	7.0	No Change	13.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	95.0%	Down from 98.8%	96.7%	97.1%
Average administrator salary	\$86,696	No Change	\$80,148	\$79,261
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	N/A		N/A	N/A

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

School year 2009-2010 was a great year of accomplishments by our students, faculty, schools, and district. Our students excelled in all areas of our school programs. From academics to athletics, fine arts to community service, a culture of excellence permeates our school system.

Our academic achievement continues to improve. Broome High School received the prestigious state Palmetto Gold Award for Closing the Achievement Gap. Cannons Elementary School, Cowpens Elementary School, Pacolet Elementary School, and Daniel Morgan Technology Center received Palmetto Silver Awards for outstanding student achievement. Clifdale and Pacolet Elementary Schools were recognized as Red Carpet Schools for creating a family-friendly school environment.

We are proud of our significant growth in reading, math, and language achievement on Measures of Academic Progress (MAP). Our students also performed well on the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS) for grades 3-8 and the High School Assessment Program (HSAP). BHS seniors received over \$2,964,128 in scholarship this year!

District communication programs and publications received eight awards in the Rewards for Excellence competition sponsored by the South Carolina Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association. The competition attracted 150 school-district and education-agency entries across the State.

Spartanburg School District Three is an unquestioned leader in classroom technology. From computers to sound amplification systems and interactive white boards, our teachers and students in every classroom are equipped with the most modern equipment and software on the market.

Awards by our faculty and volunteers included: Veterans of Foreign Wars State Teacher of the Year; SC ASCD Teacher of the Year; Prostart Teacher of the Year; four National Board Certified teachers; Claes Nobel Educator of Distinction; State Volunteer of the Year; SC ASCD Friend to Education; SC State President-Alpha Delta Kappa; SC ASCD President Elect; Region II AA Athletic Director of the Year and Sportsmanship Award; \$20,000 AdvanceSC grant; National Council of Teachers of Mathematics grant; and National Education Association grant.

The new District Three Community Auditorium officially opened on April 11, 2010. Our students now have one of the finest, state-of-the-art venues to showcase their many talents. This building will serve our community well for decades to come.

Community support for our schools remains widespread and dependable. Along with our Board of Trustees, we thank you for your continued support as we provide the highest quality education possible in the safe, secure environment that our students deserve.

Jim Ray, Superintendent

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