

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

SILVER BLUFF HIGH

Aiken

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 723

Principal: Todd Bornscheuer

Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt

Board Chair: Dr. Christine Harkins

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	Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Below Average	N/A	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	10	23	2	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/24/2011. 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	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
Passed 2 subtests (%)	75.3%	79.4%	73.3%	77.2%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	14.6%	8.8%	14.0%	11.7%
Passed no subtests (%)	10.1%	11.8%	12.7%	11.4%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2010

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	92.5%	89.6%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

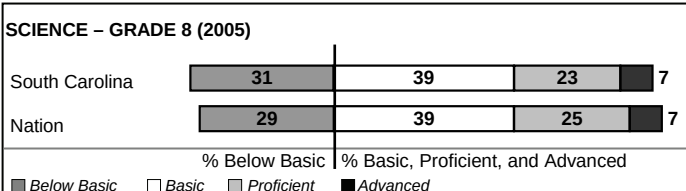
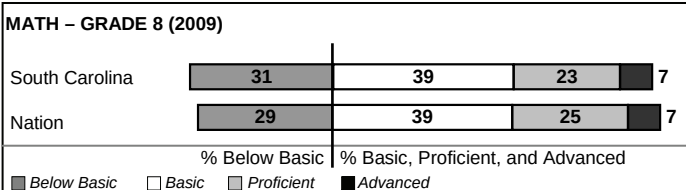
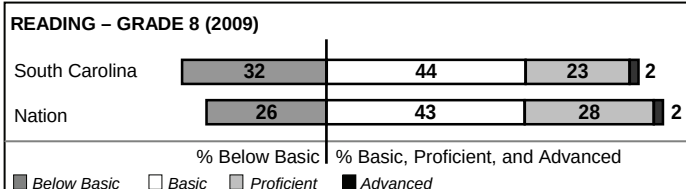
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	200	284
Number of Diplomas	142	197
Rate (%)	71.0%	70.4%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	74.4	74.0
English 1	74.6	66.4
Physical Science	50.9	53.7
US History and the Constitution	36.9	40.5
All Tests	57.8	58.2

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=723)				
Retention rate	4.2%	Down from 6.4%	3.7%	3.7%
Attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 95.5%	95.3%	95.4%
Eligible for gifted and talented	10.7%	Down from 11.7%	11.8%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	11.0%	Down from 11.6%	13.1%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	11.6%	Up from 10.6%	10.0%	9.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Down from 1.2%	1.1%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	19.2%	Up from 15.6%	12.6%	13.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	42.4%	Up from 38.0%	44.4%	50.4%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	37.2%	Up from 28.1%	30.9%	30.4%
Annual dropout rate	7.4%	Up from 4.4%	3.5%	3.1%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	Down from 3.5%	1.3%	2.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	377	Down from 440	432	424
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	75.6%	Up from 74.3%	76.8%	78.7%
Teachers (n=43)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	55.8%	Down from 56.5%	59.4%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	83.7%	Up from 67.4%	80.4%	76.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.6%	Down from 4.5%	5.4%	6.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.3%	Down from 89.9%	87.6%	86.8%
Teacher attendance rate	93.5%	Down from 95.0%	95.1%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,175	Down 3.2%	\$47,289	\$47,390
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	2.4%	2.8%
Professional development days/teacher	9.0 days	Down from 12.0 days	10.8 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	25.2 to 1	Up from 24.3 to 1	26.9 to 1	25.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.0%	Down from 89.7%	89.1%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,751	Up 3.8%	\$7,788	\$7,974
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	56.8%	Up from 48.7%	54.9%	55.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	59.8%	Up from 59.0%	60.1%	60.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	93.8%	Down from 95.4%	95.4%	96.0%
Character development program	Average	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	76.5%	Up from 70.6%	76.2%	69.2%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	44	122	113
Percent satisfied with learning environment	84.1%	75.6%	82.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.5%	73.8%	82.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	75.0%	78.7%	77.5%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Silver Bluff High School provides educational opportunities for the students of Aiken County who reside in the Beech Island, Jackson, and New Ellenton areas. An established twenty-nine-year tradition of excellence is the driving force behind the school's accomplishments. Accredited by AdvancEd, Silver Bluff High School provides all students with opportunities to become responsible lifelong learners.

The 2009-2010 school year proved to be the most challenging economic year in the history of the school. Through these difficult times, the hard work of students, parents, faculty, and staff continued to pay academic dividends. Silver Bluff was one of only seventy schools named a Palmetto Silver Award winner for success in closing the achievement gap. Fifty-four students qualified for the Life Scholarship. Silver Bluff led the district in most areas of ninth grade MAP scores, to include growth from fall to spring. The first Silver Bluff Academic Booster Club was established.

Our instructional emphasis in the coming year will include continued promotion of a rigorous and relevant senior curriculum and growth of our Freshman Academy. We will now offer Spanish and Engineering in the ninth grade to select students. Advanced Placement course additions will include Psychology and Music Theory. We will be offering a summer program for at-risk rising ninth graders to show these students the importance of completing their high school education.

Research indicates that schools with strong extracurricular involvement foster positive academic environments as well. The rich tradition of success in these areas continued in 2009-2010. The NJROTC program was among the top in the nation, winning the most prestigious national James H. Harvey Award! The Athletic Department was recognized by the SC High School league with the Region 5-AA Character and Sportsmanship Award. Multiple athletic scholarships were awarded, and the varsity football, girls' basketball, and boys' basketball teams all won Region Championships. Marching band placed 8th in state competition and received an "Excellent" rating at the SCBDA Concert Festival. They received the Outstanding Performance Award for the 2009-2010 school year for the second time in a row and the 8th time in school history. The Key Club continued the tradition of thousands of hours of service to community and thousands in fundraising donated to a variety of charities.

We are poised for continued success in 2010-2011 and look forward to working with you to maximize your child's high school experience.

Thea Brooks, SBHS SIC Chairperson
J. Todd Borscheuer, SBHS Principal

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