



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blacksburg High School
 Cherokee County School District
 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 550
 Principal: Craig Bramlett
 Superintendent: Dr. Quincie L. Moore
 Board Chair: Mike Ellis

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Good	Below Average	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2011	Excellent	Below Average	N/A	Gold	Not Met	N/A
2010	Good	Excellent	Gold	Gold	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
12	15	13	0	3

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. 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	
	2011	2012	2011	2012
Passed 2 subtests (%)	76.2%	85.9%	68.9%	76.1%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	11.2%	5.2%	18.9%	14.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	12.6%	8.9%	12.3%	11.7%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2012

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	91.1%	90.6%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

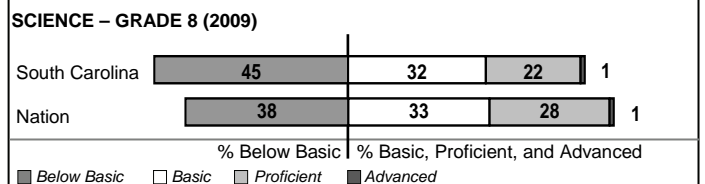
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	136	262
Number of Diplomas	112	181
Rate (%)	82.4%	73.0%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2012

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	74.7	75.2
English 1	75.6	65.0
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	67.9	75.2
US History and the Constitution	39.6	47.2
All Tests	62.9	65.4

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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



SC PERFORMANCE 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=550)				
Retention rate	2.8%	Up from 0.8%	3.2%	3.0%
Attendance rate	98.7%	Up from 97.3%	95.7%	95.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.5%	Up from 0.0%	0.5%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	10.9%	Up from 8.0%	11.1%	13.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	82.6%	Up from 46.7%	43.7%	50.9%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	67.0%	Up from 63.7%	30.6%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	3.6%	Up from 0.2%	2.6%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	15.9%	Up from 15.2%	3.1%	2.7%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	237	Down from 241	441	395
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	96.2%	Up from 95.0%	82.0%	84.0%
Teachers (n=37)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	56.8%	Up from 52.9%	60.5%	63.2%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	87.3%	Down from 87.5%	87.3%	86.6%
Teacher attendance rate	94.3%	Down from 94.5%	95.9%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,110	Up 5.6%	\$46,992	\$47,326
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.7%	Up from 0.0%	3.4%	3.6%
Professional development days/teacher	9.2 days	Up from 7.7 days	10.9 days	9.7 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 6.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.6 to 1	Down from 25.4 to 1	27.6 to 1	27.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.7%	Up from 90.6%	90.2%	89.4%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,558	Up 3.4%	\$7,986	\$7,761
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	59.5%	Down from 60.5%	57.3%	57.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.0%	Up from 61.7%	60.1%	59.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	87.7%	Up from 75.4%	98.7%	97.8%
Character development program	Average	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	85.3	N/A	76.8	78.2

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Blacksburg High School continues to set high standards, and our students, teachers, staff, and administration work to achieve them in academics, athletics, and the arts. Academically, we increased our HSAP passage rate from the previous year and once again scored higher than high schools with student like ours. We had an 85.5% graduation rate and a .2% dropout rate. We received the Palmetto Gold Award from the State Department of Education. Students competed successfully in local, district, and region writing contests. In athletics, we have students earn region and state recognition in football, baseball, softball, track, and wrestling. One student earned a spot in the prestigious North-South All-Star Baseball Game; a three-sport standout athlete earned Female Athlete of the Year in our region. In the arts, students performed two plays as well as giving public performances for ensembles and handbells. Art is exhibited in the hallways and at BHS performances. The marching band continues to perform well, competing at both upper state and state this year.

We are in our fifth year as a High Schools That Work (HSTW) program, which is paying dividends by focusing our goals: to increase parents communication, to recognize and encourage reading, to increase student and teacher recognition, and to incorporate numeracy. Our Advisory program, also part of HSTW, provides students with teacher advocates. Despite ongoing budget concerns, we have made strides to increase dual credit offerings, as well as continue a successful credit recovery program for students who are not successful in core classes.

Students are involved in the community, and seniors spend a minimum of eight hours with a mentor as part of their Senior Projects. The Student Council sponsors four Blood Connection Drives at BHS each year, as well as collecting funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The Beta Club requires community service to remain an active club member. The History Club hosted the Region History Bowl and Bee Competition, and one of our students earned a spot in the National History Bee Competition in Washington, DC.

Despite staff cutbacks due to a lower budget, BHS seeks to increase course offerings and rigor as we look to the future. Our district is implementing Common Core Standards, and BHS is embracing the changes in curriculum. We have one newly certified and one renewal certified National Board teacher this year, bringing our total of National Board Certified Teachers to five.

Overall, BHS continues to meet its challenges and seek excellence in academics, athletics, and the arts.

Craig Bramlett, BHS principal

Julie Phillips, SIC Chair

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	36	116	65
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.4%	72.2%	82.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	74.8%	83.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	72.2%	86.1%	69.2%

*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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