



SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Beaufort County School District
Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 19,889
Superintendent: Dr. Jackie Rosswurm
Board Chair: Bill Evans

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
2013	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2012	Average	Good	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2011	Average	Excellent	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
13	6	0	0	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/16/2014. 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	2013 Reading	2013 Math	2013 Science	2013 Social Studies	2013 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above
District	75.8%	73.7%	70.6%	73.1%	74.2%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	78.5%	74.8%	74.4%	76.7%	76.2%
Average District	76.9%	73.4%	73.0%	75.7%	74.5%

PASS	2013 Reading	2013 Math	2013 Science	2013 Social Studies	2013 Writing
	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary
District	41.5%	37.3%	19.8%	30.1%	33.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	43.3%	36.3%	24.2%	37.3%	35.4%
Average District	41.7%	35.6%	23.9%	36.9%	33.8%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	84.5%	9.5%	6.0%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	84.8%	9.9%	5.3%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2013 (%)

District	92.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	92.6%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	74.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	76.5%

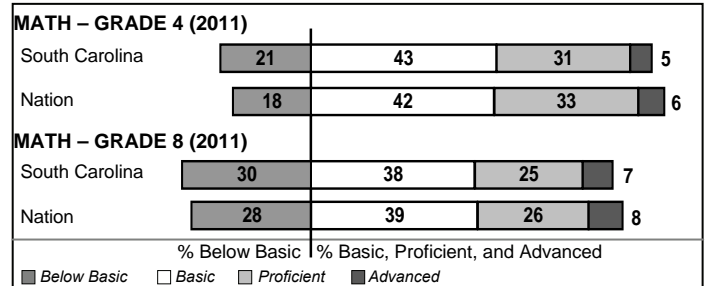
On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	75.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	77.7%

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NAEP*

* 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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DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=19,889)				
Retention rate	1.7%	Down from 1.8%	1.5%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.5%	Down from 96.8%	95.9%	95.8%
Served by gifted and talented program	19.1%	N/A	17.2%	12.0%
With disabilities	9.6%	N/A	11.8%	12.7%
Older than usual for grade	3.7%	N/A	3.9%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.2%	Down from 1.3%	0.8%	0.7%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	51.1%	Up from 35.1%	20.9%	14.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	47.7%	Down from 49.1%	47.7%	50.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	33.6%	Up from 15.3%	35.4%	31.8%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	160	Up from 110	83	50
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	160	Up from 74	59	37
Annual dropout rate	2.4%	Up from 2.3%	2.5%	2.3%
Teachers (n=1,380)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	63.1%	Up from 62.9%	61.9%	61.4%
Continuing contract teachers	71.1%	Down from 72.9%	80.2%	80.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.9%	Down from 88.6%	91.5%	90.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Up from 94.4%	94.8%	94.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,034	Up 1.6%	\$49,198	\$47,587
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.4%	Down from 0.6%	0.1%	0.2%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	7.0%	Up from 6.3%	1.4%	1.8%
Professional development days/teacher	14.1 days	Down from 16.5 days	10.3 days	10.3 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	1.0	Down from 5.0	6.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.6 to 1	Up from 21.7 to 1	22.6 to 1	22.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.2%	Down from 89.4%	89.9%	89.4%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$10,502	Down 3.8%	\$8,540	\$9,101
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	52.0%	Down from 52.7%	55.5%	52.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.0%	Down from 57.0%	59.0%	56.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	31	No Change	19	11
Portable classrooms	5.7%	Down from 2714.0%	1.0%	0.9%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	28.0	Down from 29.0	16.5	10.0
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	99.4%	100.0%
Average administrator salary	\$84,308	Up 1.1%	\$80,662	\$79,389
Number of charter schools	2	Up from 1	0	0
ESEA composite index score	82.1	Down from 86.4	87.0	81.0

* 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	ESEA Grade
There are no charter schools in this district.			

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Beaufort County School District Family:

Thanks to the hard work and creativity of students, families, educators and school partners, 2012-13 was another year of solid improvements.

Student achievement improved on state and national tests. Ninety-four percent of schools were rated Excellent, Good or Average on state 2012 School Report Cards, up from 59 percent five years ago. Eight schools were rated Excellent. Twenty-one schools (70 percent) rated an A or B on newly redesigned federal accountability reports released in 2012 by the South Carolina Department of Education. The district's elementary schools scored 90.4 for an A, middle schools scored 82.1 for a B and high schools scored 86 for a B. The district as a whole scored 86 for a B.

Our high school students improved their exit exam performances to all-time highs, with 81.4 percent passing both sections of the exam on their first attempt. That's 10 percentage points better than five years ago.

Eighteen schools earned 2013 Palmetto Gold or Silver awards for student academic achievement from the South Carolina Department of Education. Only nine of South Carolina's 84 school districts had more schools to earn awards this year, and all had larger student populations and more schools than Beaufort County.

Ninety-three percent of our middle and high school student athletes maintained their academic eligibility to participate in interscholastic sports under a new district academic requirement that athletes meet a 2.0 minimum grade point average. The average GPA district-wide for middle school athletes was 3.42. For high school athletes, it was 3.46.

Nearly 200 staff positions have been cut district-wide over the past four years, with the largest reductions coming in district office staff. Innovative conservation practices saved more than a 14 million kilowatt-hours of electricity in 2012 over 2006 levels, and water use decreased from 56.9 million gallons in 2006 to 38.5 million gallons in 2012.

A key continuing challenge in Beaufort County, as in other districts across the nation, is reducing achievement gaps between students from lower-income and higher-income families, and also between minority and nonminority students. We have made progress in reducing these gaps, and we are determined to accelerate that progress.

Thank you for supporting our school district, our students and our educators.

Jeffrey Moss, Ed.D, Superintendent

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