



## Chester Senior High School

1330 J.A. Cochran Bypass  
Chester, SC 29706

<b>Grades</b>	9-12 High School	
<b>Enrollment</b>	882 Students	
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# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2013 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD



## RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
<b>2013</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Below Average</b>
2012	Average	Below Average
2011	Average	Below Average
2010	Average	Below Average
2009	Average	At-Risk

## DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2020 SC Performance Vision

## SOUTH CAROLINA 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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**ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS**

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	At-Risk
12	10	12	0	1

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 12/14/2013.

**High School Assessment Program (HSAP) Exam Passage Rate: Second Year Students**

Percent	Our High School			High Schools with Students Like Ours		
	2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013
Passed 2 subtests (%)	71.1%	68.1%	72.1%	69.6%	74.0%	76.0%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	14.2%	17.4%	13.5%	17.8%	14.9%	14.3%
Passed no subtests (%)	14.7%	14.5%	14.4%	12.6%	11.1%	10.9%

**HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2013**

Percent	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	87.2%	90.2%

**Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate**

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2012*	2013	2012	2013
Number of Students in Four-Year Cohort	257	251	198	195
Number of Graduates in Cohort	178	168	148	141
Rate	69.3%	66.9%	74.7%	74.4%

\*Used to calculate current ESEA/Federal Accountability Grade.

**Five-Year Graduation Rate**

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2012	2013	2012	2013
Number of Students in Cohort	283	252	208	207
Number of Graduates in Cohort	197	185	159	150
Rate	69.6%	73.4%	76.1%	75.1%

**End of Course Tests**

Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours*
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	78.3%	72.0%
English 1	49.8%	64.8%
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	55.2%	73.0%
US History and the Constitution	38.7%	47.9%
All Tests	55.8%	61.9%

\* High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

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## School Profile

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=882)</b>				
Retention rate	9.5%	Down from 10.8%	3.6%	2.9%
Attendance rate	92.4%	Down from 92.9%	95.4%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	17.4%	N/A	15.6%	17.5%
With disabilities	11.3%	N/A	12.7%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	15.0%	N/A	9.7%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	23.5%	Up from 2.6%	1.5%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	18.3%	Up from 15.3%	7.6%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	37.0%	Down from 39.0%	41.0%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	40.9%	Up from 27.1%	30.2%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	2.7%	Down from 5.5%	2.7%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	21.7%	Up from 2.5%	13.6%	7.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	106	Up from 77	351	418
Students participating in work-based experiences	0.9%	Down from 11.9%	12.4%	14.6%
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	57.6%	Down from 61.0%	85.0%	84.8%
Career/technology completers placed	N/A	N/A	95.7%	98.3%
<b>Teachers (n=47)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.4%	Up from 47.7%	59.4%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	87.2%	Down from 88.6%	77.5%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.7%	Up from 80.4%	83.6%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	94.0%	Down from 94.5%	95.3%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,393	Up 4.4%	\$48,207	\$48,699
Professional development days/teacher	13.1 days	Up from 12.6 days	10.0 days	9.9 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	6.5	Up from 5.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	26.9 to 1	Down from 27.1 to 1	26.9 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	85.5%	Down from 86.3%	89.0%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,824	Up 3.9%	\$8,214	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	51.0%	Down from 53.6%	54.0%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	51.0%	Down from 54.4%	58.0%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.8%	Up from 96.3%	97.8%	97.7%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Modern language program assessment	N/A	N/A	12.0	11.0
Classical language program assessment	N/A	N/A	N/A	15.0

\* Includes current year teachers contracted for 185 or more days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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## Performance By Student Groups

	HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2013		End of Course Tests Passage Rate		On-time Graduation Rate, 2013	
	n	%	t	%	n	%
All Students	211	87.2%	871	55.8%	251	66.9%
<b>Gender</b>						
Male	105	88.6%	461	56.2%	127	64.6%
Female	106	85.8%	410	55.4%	124	69.4%
<b>Racial/Ethnic Group</b>						
White	88	90.9%	324	68.5%	108	65.7%
African American	121	84.3%	523	47.4%	140	67.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	11	72.7%	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Disability Status</b>						
Disabled	26	65.4%	98	35.7%	29	48.3%
<b>Migrant Status</b>						
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>English Proficiency</b>						
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Socio-Economic Status</b>						
Subsidized meals	121	82.6%	619	50.1%	146	58.9%

NOTE: n=number of students on which percentage is calculated; t=number of tests taken.

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## Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	130	49
Percent satisfied with learning environment	86.1%	57.7%	73.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	90.5%	68.5%	50%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	44.2%	76%	61.2%

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

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## ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System

In July 2013, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed SC to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. For a detailed review of the matrix for each school and districts that determined the letter grade, please use the following link: <http://ed.sc.gov/data/esea/> or request this information from your child's district or school.

Overall Weighted Points Total	46.2
Overall Grade Conversion	F

Index Score	Grade	Description
90-100	A	Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
80-89.9	B	Performance exceeds the state's expectations.
70-79.9	C	Performance meets the state's expectations.
60-69.9	D	Performance does not meet the state's expectations.
Less than 60	F	Performance is substantially below the state's expectations

## Accountability Indicator for Title I Schools

Chester Senior High School school has been designated as a:

- Title I Reward School for Performance - among the highest performing Title I schools in a given year.
- Title I Reward School for Progress – one of the schools with substantial progress in student subgroups.
- Title I Focus School – one of the schools with the highest average performance gap between subgroups.
- Title I Priority School – one of the 5% lowest performing Title I schools.
- Title I School – does not qualify as Reward, Focus or Priority School.
- Non-Title I School – therefore the designations above are not applicable.

## Teacher Quality Data

	Our District	State
Classes in low poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.1%	2.3%
Classes in high poverty schools not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.2%	4.9%

  

	Our School	State Objective	Met State Objective
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.7%	0.0%	No

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## Performance By Group

Subgroups	ELA Mean	Math Mean	Science Mean	Social Studies Mean	ELA % Tested	Math % Tested	Graduation Rate
<b>Grades 9-12</b>							
All Students	227.4	220.7	69.4	68.7	100.0	100.0	69.3
Male	225.8	221.7	70.2	68.7	100.0	100.0	66.2
Female	229.5	219.5	68.2	68.8	100.0	100.0	72.7
White	234.6	229.0	75.4	70.6	100.0	100.0	67.7
African American	221.2	213.9	65.8	67.1	100.0	100.0	70.0
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disabled	N/A	N/A	58.1	N/A	N/A	N/A	25.0
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Subsidized meals	223.1	216.3	66.7	67.1	100.0	100.0	68.0
Annual Measurable Objective (AMO)	226	223	77	73	95.0	95	74.1

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**Two-Year HSAP Trend Data**

	School Year	Enrollment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Below Basic	% Basic	% Proficient	% Advanced	School % Proficient or Advanced*
<b>English/Language Arts</b>								
All Students	2012	209	98.6	17.6	47.8	21.0	13.7	34.6
	2013	216	100.0	16.7	38.6	27.4	17.2	44.7
<b>Mathematics</b>								
All Students	2012	209	98.6	27.7	36.9	20.4	15.0	35.4
	2013	216	100.0	25.6	39.5	26.0	8.8	34.9

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