



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Calhoun County High School
 Calhoun County
 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 430
 Principal: Cynthia T. Johnson
 Superintendent: Dr. Steve Wilson
 Board Chair: Mr. Gary Porth

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	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	B	Reward
2012	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	A	N/A
2011	Good	Good	Silver	Gold	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
8	5	15	6	4

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. 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	
	2012	2013	2012	2013
Passed 2 subtests (%)	84.5%	87.2%	65.3%	69.2%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	9.7%	8.5%	18.9%	17.1%
Passed no subtests (%)	5.8%	4.3%	18.3%	16.7%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2013

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	98.8%	84.2%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

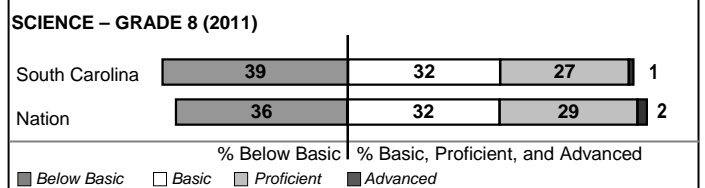
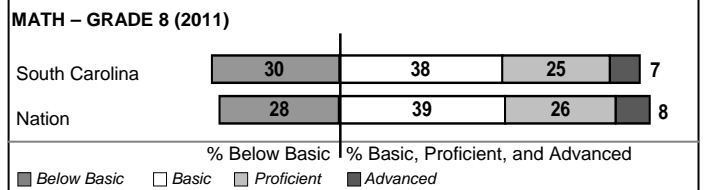
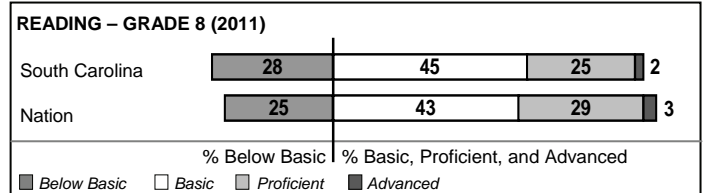
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	88	139
Number of Diplomas	74	103
Rate (%)	84.1%	70.8%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	84.3	63.7
English 1	67.1	53.6
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	71.3	59.8
US History and the Constitution	38.7	35.4
All Tests	64.2	52.9

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.

Abbreviations Key

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=430)				
Retention rate	3.1%	Down from 3.6%	4.3%	2.9%
Attendance rate	98.7%	Down from 99.8%	93.3%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	12.5%	N/A	10.3%	17.5%
With disabilities	12.5%	N/A	14.8%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	11.1%	N/A	11.0%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.8%	Down from 6.5%	1.1%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	17.7%	Up from 0.0%	5.3%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	22.0%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	30.0%	Down from 30.1%	28.5%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.2%	Down from 2.7%	1.4%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Enrollment in career/technology courses	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Teachers (n=26)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	73.1%	Down from 77.8%	58.8%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	76.9%	Down from 88.9%	71.4%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.1%	Down from 85.3%	79.4%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	96.0%	Down from 99.2%	95.3%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,164	Up 2.2%	\$45,114	\$48,699
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.9%	Down from 4.1%	3.1%	2.5%
Professional development days/teacher	8.1 days	Up from 7.6 days	11.4 days	9.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.9 to 1	Up from 22.9 to 1	22.0 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.8%	Down from 97.3%	87.3%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,349	Up 2.8%	\$9,671	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.0%	Down from 56.0%	55.0%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	57.0%	Down from 58.8%	59.0%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 98.0%	98.5%	97.7%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	89.0	Down from 94.7	52.4	77.4

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Calhoun County High School-“Offering The Total Package”

Calhoun County High School is a small rural school serving approximately 427 students in grades 9-12. The school has an 85.4% graduation rate with a 92.1% poverty index. Our March Toward Excellence continues as our school community continues to focus on “Offering The Total Package-Failure is Not an Option”. Calhoun County High School received several accolades this school year because of teamwork and our collaboration with parents and the community. We were recognized once again by US News and World Report as One of America’s Best High Schools. The high school also received the Palmetto Gold Award for general performance from the South Carolina State Department of Education. We were elated to receive a grade of an “A” from the ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System and an Excellent/Excellent rating on our State school report card. The dedication of the teachers, hard work of the students, and support of the community and parents continues to bring pride and positive recognition to Calhoun County High School.

Our learning community continues to work together with the belief that everyone on the campus is responsible for student achievement. The passion for teaching and learning at Calhoun County High School has fostered a climate of high academic expectations for every student. Our ongoing effective staff development has insured high-quality, rigorous, and appropriate instruction for the 21st Century Learner. Initiatives that have contributed to our progress include: Individual Graduation Plans for every student, PLATO, APEX Learning, USA Test Prep, Achieve 3000, writing across the curriculum, grade level parent nights, data-driven curricula, service learning projects, SMARTBoard technology, continuation of the seven period traditional schedule, credit recovery, HSAP/EOC tutorial sessions, common departmental planning periods, an award winning ROTC program, active School Improvement Council; Band Booster Club, strong partnerships with local institutions of higher education, Advisee/Advisor program, newly added Advanced Placement courses, Middle College Program (dual enrollment), and a large variety of Career and Technology course offerings.

Sharing in the vision of “Offering The Total Package-Failure is Not an Option:” our athletic department continues to foster well rounded and competitive student athletics. We will continue to openly solicit parent, community, business and educational partnerships in planning for the future success of our school.

Cynthia T. Johnson
Principal

Janice Crosland
School Improvement Council Chair

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	32	60	25
Percent satisfied with learning environment	90.7%	60%	96%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	96.9%	62.3%	100%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.1%	77.1%	92%

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

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NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status