



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Lower Richland
 Richland 1
 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,188
 Principal: Kelvin Wymbs
 Superintendent: Dr. Percy A. Mack
 Board Chair: Jamie Devine

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	Average	At-Risk	TBD	TBD	F	N/A
2012	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	B	N/A
2011	Average	Average	N/A	Silver	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
6	5	18	1	0

*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 (%)	78.0%	62.2%	69.9%	71.3%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	12.7%	19.2%	16.6%	16.1%
Passed no subtests (%)	9.3%	18.6%	13.5%	13.0%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2013

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	85.5%	89.1%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	288	172
Number of Diplomas	207	131
Rate (%)	71.9%	75.6%

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	59.6	66.7
English 1	65.3	58.4
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	52.0	66.1
US History and the Constitution	38.6	41.4
All Tests	54.0	58.0

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=1,188)				
Retention rate	5.9%	Down from 7.2%	3.9%	2.9%
Attendance rate	91.0%	Down from 91.4%	94.8%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	20.6%	N/A	11.0%	17.5%
With disabilities	14.3%	N/A	13.9%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	11.9%	N/A	9.9%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 4.2%	1.1%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	31.2%	Up from 17.2%	5.9%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	22.7%	Up from 17.5%	35.0%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	27.0%	Up from 26.4%	29.8%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	6.7%	Down from 8.6%	2.7%	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=86)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	73.3%	Up from 70.9%	61.7%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	75.6%	Down from 77.9%	71.4%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.5%	Down from 84.8%	83.1%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	94.7%	Up from 94.4%	94.8%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,516	Up 2.5%	\$46,931	\$48,699
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.2%	Down from 8.3%	1.6%	2.5%
Professional development days/teacher	12.3 days	Up from 11.3 days	10.4 days	9.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.1 to 1	Down from 25.2 to 1	22.8 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	83.4%	Down from 83.9%	87.9%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$11,376	Up 19.0%	\$9,040	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	50.0%	Down from 54.1%	53.5%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.0%	Down from 56.9%	57.5%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	94.8%	Up from 94.4%	98.1%	97.7%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	23.6	Down from 83.4	69.4	77.4

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

During the 2012-2013 school year our mantra was "Great Things and Great People Come from Lower Richland High School." This mantra was evidenced by the success of our students in the classroom, their success in extracurricular activities and the improvement of established programs. Lower Richland High School moved into year 2 of the School Improvement Grant with a strong focus on infusing STEM in all content areas on campus. Our partnership with the S2TEM Centers and successful Career Fair allowed students to be exposed to careers and opportunities related to Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Academically, Lower Richland High School is an IB World School offering the IB Diploma, IB Career-related Certificate (IBCC) Programmes, and Advanced Placement (AP) Courses. Lower Richland is the only school in the State of South Carolina to offer the IBCC Programme which partners with academic programs such as Project Lead the Way and the Health Sciences. Both IB and AP students are engaged in rigorous courses that afford them the opportunity prepare for and to earn collegiate credit.

Lower Richland promotes numeracy and literacy throughout the school in conjunction with district and High Schools That Work (HSTW) requirements. This year we had our 3rd College Application Day where all seniors applied to at least one college or university. Colleges and Universities from around South Carolina assisted our students with applications and some students were even admitted on site. We are delighted to announce that our graduates received over 6 million dollars in scholarships.

Students at Lower Richland High School are attached to the local community through numerous service opportunities. Our cheerleaders, Teacher Cadets, Delta GEMS, Student Government leaders and JROTC participated in numerous community service activities at many different venues. Our JROTC won the Superintendent's Cup award for the 2nd year in a row which classifies them as the #1 unit in Richland County School District One.

Lower Richland students excel in the area of extra-curricular activities with the Varsity Girls' Basketball Team winning the Region V 3A State Championship, a 7th title for Coach Stroman, and numerous athletes excelling in Track & Field. Lower Richland CATE students hold state offices in Skills USA, HOSA and FCCLA and attend national conferences. Lower Richland High School received an Exemplary Rating for effectively implementing Positive Behavior Intervention and Support strategies on campus.

Lower Richland's Band Booster received the Richland School District One's Partner of the Year Award. Our Parent Teacher Student Association continued to sponsor scholarships for student members while the School Improvement Council provides assistance to the administration in outlining school goals and our Booster Clubs provide additional financial support for student activities. Our student first mindset sets the tone for all collaboration.

Kelvin Wymbs, Principal
Taylor, SIC Chairperson

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EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	87	167	132
Percent satisfied with learning environment	75.8%	58.6%	85.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	89.5%	67.8%	81.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	68.2%	73.4%	86.5%

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

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