



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Sumter High School  
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 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 2,356  
 Principal: Sterling B. Harris  
 Superintendent: Randolph D. Bynum, Sr.  
 Board Chair: E. Keith Schultz

## 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	Average	TBD	TBD	D	N/A
2012	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2011	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
24	16	6	0	3

\* 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 (%)	68.8%	71.2%	77.4%	78.9%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	20.2%	16.7%	14.3%	13.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	11.1%	12.1%	10.5%	8.1%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2013

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.2%	91.0%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	606	253
Number of Diplomas	491	184
Rate (%)	81.0%	75.3%

## 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	54.7	73.7
English 1	59.3	67.3
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	69.2	75.8
US History and the Constitution	49.6	56.3
All Tests	57.3	68.1

## 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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# Sumter High School [Sumter]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=2,356)</b>				
Retention rate	5.6%	Up from 1.0%	3.3%	2.9%
Attendance rate	93.7%	No Change	95.5%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	25.3%	N/A	17.0%	17.5%
With disabilities	12.7%	N/A	12.9%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	11.9%	N/A	9.0%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.2%	Up from 0.3%	1.0%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	13.1%	Up from 9.4%	10.8%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	49.3%	Down from 68.8%	53.5%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	39.5%	Up from 30.0%	34.5%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	2.3%	Up from 1.2%	2.4%	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
<b>Teachers (n=130)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.9%	Up from 66.4%	63.1%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	73.1%	Down from 73.6%	82.0%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.2%	Down from 85.3%	87.4%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	96.1%	Down from 96.9%	95.1%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,400	Up 3.8%	\$48,614	\$48,699
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	24.7%	Up from 5.0%	2.5%	2.5%
Professional development days/teacher	6.5 days	Up from 3.2 days	10.2 days	9.8 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 15.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	35.6 to 1	Up from 28.7 to 1	27.3 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.2%	Down from 90.3%	89.2%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,346	Down 11.0%	\$7,594	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.0%	Up from 62.9%	57.0%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.0%	Down from 65.4%	60.0%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.0%	Up from 96.5%	98.0%	97.7%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	60.3	Down from 70.3	74.8	77.4

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Sumter High School is a National Model School and a High Schools That Work award winner. These honors place Sumter High among the best schools in the nation. Educational leaders from across the state and region have visited Sumter High to observe our curriculum, and staff members from our school have made presentations across the country. We believe this validates our claim to excellence.

Athletic teams at Sumter High won five region titles and individually contained over 30 scholar athletes and four North-South All Stars.

Our marching band program received numerous superior awards, and our band students won straight superiors in jazz band and in symphonic band contests. Our choir and strings programs performed all over South Carolina and won many accolades and awards. The Sumter High drama program performed dozens of shows, and has been invited to perform in Scotland in August of 2013 for an international competition. Our art programs continue to garner awards, and we hosted two student art competitions.

Sumter High graduates have excelled in post-secondary endeavors, and this year's graduating class possesses much talent as well. Our seniors include 15 Palmetto Fellows, 200 Life Scholarship winners, and one student posted a perfect score on the verbal and math portions of the SAT entrance exam. Forty-one students were awarded the prestigious International Baccalaureate Diploma or Certificate.

Sumter High continues to move ahead. More Sumter High students passed the state exit exam on the first attempt than ever before. Our Advance Placement students exceeded the national average passing rate. Our International Baccalaureate students bested the international rate for exam scores. Our students showed an improvement of ten points on our Scholastic Aptitude Tests, and we are at the national average in verbal.

Sumter High strives to move forward, proud of its heritage and accomplishments, and look forward to meeting the challenges of the twenty-first century.

Sterling Harris, Principal

Mr. Ken Lewis, Sumter High School Improvement Council

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	84	361	58
Percent satisfied with learning environment	57.1%	67%	65.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	63.1%	66.3%	46.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	58.3%	76.7%	60.3%

\*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