Tamassee-Salem High

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Below Average	Unsatisfactory
2002	Average	Good
2003		
2004		

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
• Passed all 3 subtests	66.7	62.1	66.7	61.6	61.8	63.9
• Passed 2 subtests	13.3	24.1	30.0	19.3	19.8	18.6
• Passed 1 subtest	13.3	10.3	3.3	12.2	11.0	11.2
• Passed no subtests	6.7	3.4	0.0	6.9	7.3	6.4

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS*	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions*	11.1%	14.2%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	11.1%	14.5%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	37.0%	46.1%

*Using the criteria for students who entered college in fall 2001
Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Group	Seniors: Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2002 N	%	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships N	%	Graduation Rate
All students	28	89.3%	27	11.1%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	1	I/S	2	I/S	
Students without disabilities	27	88.9%	25	12.0%	
Gender					
Male	13	92.3%	11	18.2%	
Female	14	85.7%	16	6.3%	
Ethnic Group					
African American	1	I/S	2	I/S	
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	
White	26	88.5%	25	12.0%	
Other	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	
Lunch Status					
Free/reduced-price lunch	8	75.0%	11	0.0%	
Pay for lunch	19	94.7%	16	18.8%	

STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES	N	%
Mastering core competencies	71	84.5%
Completers placed	N/A	N/A

N equals number of students on which percentages are calculated.

SCHOOL PROFILE: Tamassee-Salem High

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	$15,764	Up 103.0%	$6,009	$6,001
• Prime instructional time	91.4%	Down from 93.3%	90.4%	90.5%
• Student-teacher ratio	8.7 to 1	Down from 19.0 to 1	24.6 to 1	25.0 to 1
STUDENTS (n=147)				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program:				
Participation Rate	0.0%	N/A	8.4%	9.3%
Exam Success Rate	N/A	N/A	48.4%	50.3%
• Attendance rate	97.3%	Up from 97.2%	95.5%	95.7%
• Retention rate	8.2%	Up from 7.8%	11.2%	9.6%
TEACHERS (n=24)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	6.6 Days	Down from 8.4Days	7.9 Days	9.4 Days
• Attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 98.1%	95.5%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	41.7%	Up from 33.3%	44.7%	50.0%
• Continuing contract teachers	79.2%	Up from 70.8%	77.9%	79.9%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	12.5%	Up from 0.0%	2.1%	2.5%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	71.9%	Down from 82.3%	85.2%	84.9%
• Average teacher salary	$39,662	Up 11.0%	$39,061	$39,777

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dropout rate	4.3%	Down from 12.0%		
3.3%	2.9%			
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	52.9%	Up from 51.5%	56.2%	57.0%
• Principal's years at the school	7.0	Up from 6.0	4.5	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	99.0%	Up from 89.4%	94.0%	85.7%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	15.0%	Down from 15.3%	11.1%	10.4%
• Suspended or expelled	4.8%	N/A	3.5%	2.4%
• Gifted and talented	0.0%	No change	3.3%	5.9%
• With disabilities other than speech	23.8%	Up from 20.8%	11.7%	11.4%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No change	6.4%	3.0%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	73	Down from 101	454	378
• Students participating in work-based experiences	71.9%	Up from 29.2%	29.1%	27.9%

ABBREVIATIONS FOR MISSING DATA
N/A - Not Applicable
N/C - Not Collected
N/R - Not Reported
I/S - Insufficient Sample

PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

For the 2001-2002 school year, student accomplishments include one student winning a Blue Ridge Electric Cooperative paid trip to Washington, DC; a Rotary Youth Leadership Award, two students accepted at the SC Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities, $1,000.00 funding for a student grant for Teens Against Drugs and Alcohol (TADA) and active participation in Healthy Ventures. One student was a prominent member of the nationally award winning Robotics team from the Hamilton Career Center. One student received the Governor's Citizenship Award in Columbia. All of our Life Scholarship graduates have been accepted to four-year colleges. Approximately $260,000.00 in scholarships was awarded to our 2002 graduates and two of our students will receive approximately $60,000.00 in college aid by signing up for the armed forces.

Our newly formed School Improved Council met several times brainstorming efforts to recruit more members and offering suggestions on how to increase public awareness. They voluntarily will recruit members during school registration.

90% of our 10th grade students passed both math and reading on the Exit Exam. We offered an afternoon homework assistance class made possible by a state grant. Attendance was sporadic. We encouraged our students and parents to make use of this extra help. All parents were called by staff notifying them of the availability of this class.

Teachers attended math and English/Language Arts in-services to learn how to better align curriculum with standards.

This year was Tamassee-Salem's year for a Southern Association of Schools and Colleges evaluation visit, which resulted in renewed accreditation. We will try to build on the commendations and work toward implementation of the recommendations. We also received an "All Clear" from the SC State Office of School Quality.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS

	Teachers	Students	Parents
Number of Surveys Returned	14	28	22
Percent satisfied with learning environment	85.7%	82.1%	81.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	92.3%	85.7%	81.8%
Percent satisfied with home-school relations	28.6%	89.3%	72.7%

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades 9-12 High School

Enrollment: 147 Students

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Absolute Rating:
Average

Improvement Rating:
Good

Absolute Ratings of Similar Schools

Unsatisfactory	Below Average	Average	Good	Excellent
1	2	9	17	1

South Carolina Performance Goal:
By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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