



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Cherokee Technology Center
Grades: 10-12 **Enrollment: 635**
Director: Harold G. Talley
Board Chair: Mr. Billy Blackwell
Superintendent: Dr. William B. James

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	Good	At-Risk	Gold	Met	N/A
2006	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS IN SC*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
34	2	1	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/18/2009. All Career Centers in South Carolina are included.

TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at a center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.

Our Center	State Center Average (%)
n	%
423	87.5%
	85.2%

GRADUATION RATE

The number of 12th grade career technology education students who graduate in the spring is divided by the number of 12th graders enrolled in the center and converted to a percentage.

Our Center	State Center Average (%)
n	%
94	92.6%
	94.4%

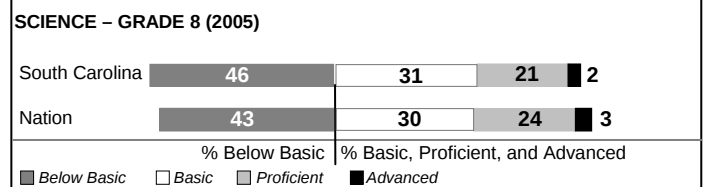
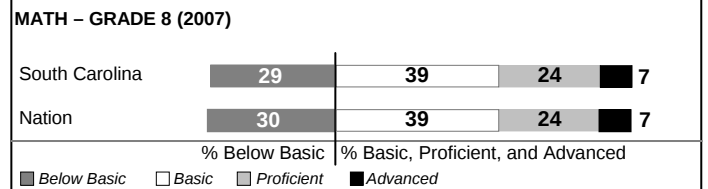
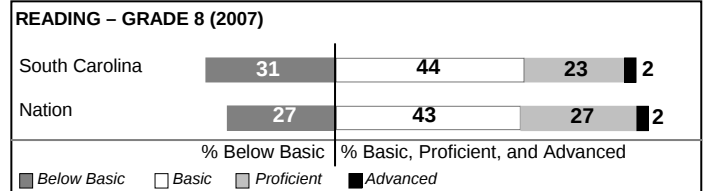
PLACEMENT RATE

The number of career and technology completers who are available for placement in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment is divided into the number of students over a three-year period who are actually placed and converted to a percentage. This criterion mirrors the Perkins standard.

Our Center	State Center Average (%)
n	%
153	98.0%
	97.4%

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

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

2020 Goal: TBD

Abbreviations Key

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Cherokee Technology Center [Cherokee]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=635)			
With disabilities other than speech	8.8%	Down from 8.9%	9.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	16.5%	Up from 15.9%	20.7%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	635	Up from 565	675
Students participating in work-based experiences	50.2%	Up from 41.6%	20.6%
Teachers (n=31)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	45.2%	Up from 40.0%	27.2%
Continuing contract teachers	96.8%	Up from 93.3%	71.9%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 3.4%	19.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	95.2%	Up from 92.8%	92.5%
Teacher attendance rate	94.9%	Up from 94.8%	95.6%
Average teacher salary	\$46,015	Up 4.5%	\$46,693
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	N/A	N/A
Center			
Director's years at Center	1.5	Up from 0.5	4.0
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$4,626	Down 19.4%	\$3,234
Prime instructional time	N/R	N/R	N/A
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	60.2%	Up from 57.8%	55.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	69.2%	Down from 71.2%	63.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	15	83	28
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	84.3%	82.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	82.5%	85.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.0%	80.2%	85.7%

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Cherokee Technology Center affords learners from Blacksburg and Gaffney High Schools the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills through Career and Technology Education. Having met AYP for five consecutive years and being fully SACS accredited, Cherokee Technology Center is an institution dedicated to and familiar with success. Our school's success is indicative of the outstanding effort and performance demonstrated by the students, parents, teachers, and advisory councils at Cherokee Technology Center. We believe that our joint dedication to excellence and our collaborative efforts continually assist us in surpassing our goals.

Our highly-qualified faculty is always dedicated to success and ready to tackle any project. With 100% of our faculty classified as highly-qualified, our instructors are continually seeking to better themselves to benefit the school and its students. Our instructors are always eager to attend additional training and workshops, while preparing themselves to pass on pertinent knowledge to other stakeholders in our school. With three OSHA certified instructors, we have been able to certify CATE students during the 2007-2008 school year and to offer a service to our advisory council members to train their employees using the OSHA guidelines. Because of our dedicated staff, we have also been able to offer CERT certification to 45 students. Dedicated to community efforts as well, our faculty of 35 members was able to make sizeable donations to the American Cancer Society and the March of Dimes; donations were increased from last year.

In 2008-2009, Cherokee Technology Center will continue to provide a diverse educational experience that will benefit all stakeholders. Cherokee Technology Center will continue to partner with Blacksburg and Gaffney High Schools to implement the Education and Economic Development Act. Cherokee Technology Center will continue to partner with Gaffney High School and Blacksburg High School to implement High Schools that Work and continue to work with Gaffney High School's Project Lead the Way program. Curriculum improvements will ensure that our students are afforded the most current and relevant curriculum available. In 2007-2008 Cherokee Technology Center was accredited as a National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation, thus allowing our automotive students to graduate with national certification.

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Jim Hawkins, SIC Chairman

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