



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Donaldson Career Center**  
**Grades: 10-12** **Enrollment: 217**  
**Director: Cheryl J. McClure**  
**Board Chair: Dr. Keith Ray**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher**

## PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| 2008 | Excellent       | Good          | TBD                        | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2007 | Excellent       | Excellent     | Gold                       | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2006 | Excellent       | Excellent     | N/A                        | 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          | %                        |
| 155        | 89.7%                    |
|            | 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          | %                        |
| 34         | 91.2%                    |
|            | 94.4%                    |

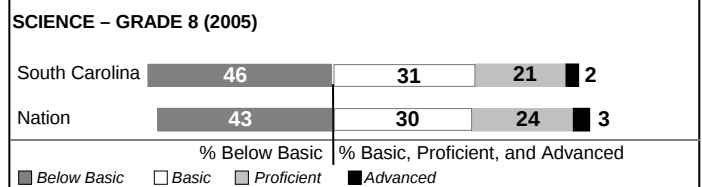
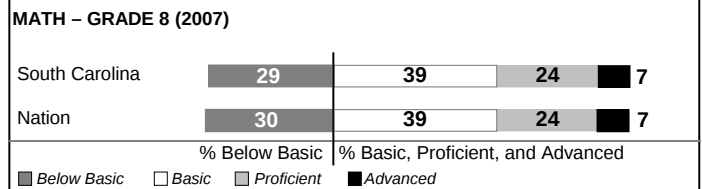
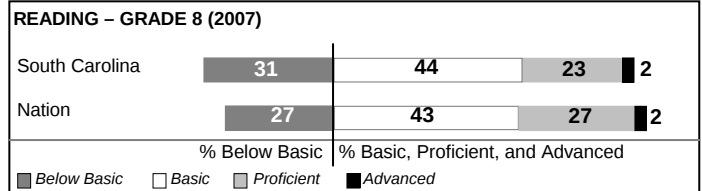
## PLACEMENT RATE

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          | %                        |
| 111        | 92.8%                    |
|            | 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

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined  
 NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status

Donaldson Career Center [Greenville]

SCHOOL PROFILE

|                                                           | Our Center | Change from Last Year | Median Career Center |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Students (n=217)                                          |            |                       |                      |
| With disabilities other than speech                       | 18.9%      | Up from 2.0%          | 9.3%                 |
| Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations | 59.4%      | Up from 22.2%         | 20.7%                |
| Enrollment in career/technology courses                   | 217        | Down from 293         | 675                  |
| Students participating in work-based experiences          | 1.4%       | Up from 0.3%          | 20.6%                |
| Teachers (n=14)                                           |            |                       |                      |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                            | 21.4%      | Up from 15.4%         | 27.2%                |
| Continuing contract teachers                              | 64.3%      | Down from 69.2%       | 71.9%                |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates       | 30.8%      | Up from 23.1%         | 19.5%                |
| Teachers returning from previous year                     | 78.7%      | Up from 78.1%         | 92.5%                |
| Teacher attendance rate                                   | 96.2%      | Up from 95.1%         | 95.6%                |
| Average teacher salary                                    | \$42,883   | Up 3.7%               | \$46,693             |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers           | N/A        | N/A                   | N/A                  |
| Center                                                    |            |                       |                      |
| Director's years at Center                                | 8.0        | Up from 7.0           | 4.0                  |
| Dollars spent per pupil*                                  | \$4,384    | Up 54.0%              | \$3,234              |
| Prime instructional time                                  | N/R        | N/R                   | N/A                  |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*             | 59.6%      | Down from 60.0%       | 55.1%                |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction*                  | 66.0%      | Down from 67.9%       | 63.7%                |

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

|                                                        | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 14       | 75        | 17       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 100.0%   | 89.3%     | 93.3%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 100.0%   | 98.6%     | 64.7%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 92.9%    | 88.9%     | 73.3%    |

\* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

DCC serves five high schools in Greenville County. The school has four buildings, housing thirteen teachers, two aides, four custodians, one counselor, one secretary, one Director, and one clerk. Enrollment was 300 tenth, eleventh, and twelfth graders. 187 students took work key assessment. Two School Improvement Meetings were held, and the members contributed to supplies, mentors, and new technology ideas for the staff. In May, the South Cluster had eighty SIC members for a general meeting held at DCC. All programs had two advisory meetings for their areas. DCC was awarded the Palmetto Gold, and with the funds, we improved the landscaping and purchased Promethean Boards for two classrooms.

Twenty-three students were installed in the National Technical Honor Society, and one student won State Skills USA in aircraft maintenance and attended the National Skills USA. Four Auto Tech students co-oped. Dale Earnheart's race car was on display in the Auto Tech Lab, and the class finished the electric car. The Construction class built a Solar house and installed the plumbing, electricity, and cabinets. The welding class built two trailers. The Culinary Arts class competed in the Pro Start/Safe Serve competition and won the District Chili Cook Off. The cosmetology class had two spa days on Saturdays, took field trips to competitions in Atlanta, GA., and passed state boards. DCC had twenty-three completers and forty-five concentrators. DCC joined High Schools That Work for career centers, and three staff members will go to the High Schools That Work Conference. The counselor and Director joined the Mauldin Lions Club to get glasses for two DCC students. A student from DCC was nominated for Governor's School and was accepted. Southside High used our facility for IB and AP testing. DCC hosted four middle school tours for the EEDA. DCC hosted four high school tours for recruitment. The National Guard team taught lessons on leadership, and DCC staff sponsored a field day. The center had two open houses for parents and community members. Staff planned a Shelter and Place Safety plan with the Donaldson Fire Department and Greenville County Bus Barn at DCC. Three teachers passed the PAS-T Adept; three teachers are completing their Masters in Leadership Administration; and all teachers, staff, and aides participated in the Baldrige Program. One staff member will attend the Carnegie Mellon Institute for Technology in Charleston, and another will go to Washington state for a Golden Corral conference.

Cheryl J. McClure, Director  
Melissa Henderson, SIC President

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