



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

R D Anderson Applied Technology Center
Grades: 10-12 **Enrollment: 1,338**
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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	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	Met	N/A
2006	Excellent	Good	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	%
933	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	%
226	88.1%
	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	%
279	97.9%
	97.4%

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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

READING - GRADE 8 (2007)			
South Carolina	31	44	23
Nation	27	43	27
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced			
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced			

MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)			
South Carolina	29	39	24
Nation	30	39	24
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced			
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced			

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)			
South Carolina	46	31	21
Nation	43	30	24
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced			
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced			

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

R D Anderson Applied Technology Center

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=1,338)			
With disabilities other than speech	10.2%	Up from 0.0%	9.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	11.2%	Down from 17.2%	20.7%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1338	Up from 1177	675
Students participating in work-based experiences	13.0%	Up from 7.1%	20.6%
Teachers (n=25)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	20.0%	Up from 16.7%	27.2%
Continuing contract teachers	64.0%	Down from 79.2%	71.9%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	29.2%	Up from 26.1%	19.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.2%	Down from 90.6%	92.5%
Teacher attendance rate	97.4%	Up from 96.7%	95.6%
Average teacher salary	\$49,101	Up 5.1%	\$46,693
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	N/A	N/A
Center			
Director's years at Center	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.0
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$2,769	Down 1.3%	\$3,234
Prime instructional time	N/R	N/R	N/A
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	45.8%	Up from 41.0%	55.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	56.7%	Up from 52.0%	63.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	24	257	43
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	85.1%	93.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	88.5%	75.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.7%	90.8%	66.7%

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Our school theme throughout the year has been “Leading the Way in Times of Change.” We have certainly worked hard to meet this challenge. We implemented a 95% Attendance Club which has been a tremendous success. Our data indicates that we have more students than EVER with perfect attendance. Each nine weeks we have rewarded students who have come to school as they should. It is our belief that the increase in attendance rates has also been a reason that we have seen more students being academically successful. It is much easier for us to teach when the students are here every day!

We have also worked to incorporate literacy strategies in our CATE classrooms. By doing this we hope to see more students being successful in their academic courses as well as being better prepared for HSAP testing. We will not have our data on this until the summer – but we expect success in this area as well!

We are adding 2 additional instructors to our staff next year to accommodate the continued growth in enrollment we are experiencing. You will also see three portables added to our facility over the summer to accommodate this growth. Our future plans include the addition of another wing to our center and the ground work for making this happen is taking place now.

R.D. Anderson is a Palmetto Gold Award winner for the 5th consecutive year! At our recent Honors Banquet we awarded numerous scholarships and recognized over 150 students for their achievements this year. We can boast of 100% passage of our students on both the Cosmetology State Board Exam and the Nursing Assisting Exam.

This summer we will send Health Science students to the National HOSA Convention in Dallas, Texas. We will send a team of instructors and administrators to Nashville to HSTW in July. At R.D. Anderson we strive to “Lead The Way” in Career & Technology Education.

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Shawn Lytle, SIC Chairperson

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