SC Annual School Report Card Summary

South Pointe High School
York 3
Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 1,327**
Principal: Al Leonard
Superintendent: Dr. Lynn P. Moody
Board Chair: Bob Norwood

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	N/A	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2007	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2006	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	7	14	3	0

** Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. 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	
	2007	2008	2007	2008
Passed 2 subtests (%)	67.7%	79.2%	79.9%	82.9%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	18.6%	13.0%	11.8%	9.8%
Passed no subtests (%)	13.7%	7.8%	8.4%	7.5%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
	92.3%	93.7%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

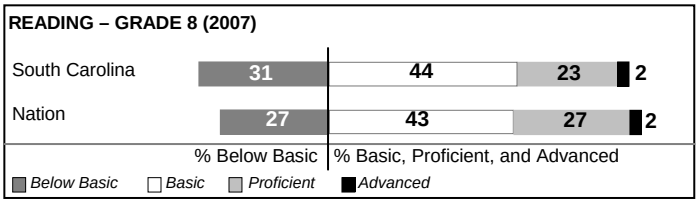
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	321	297
Number of Diplomas	197	213
Rate (%)	61.4%	73.8%

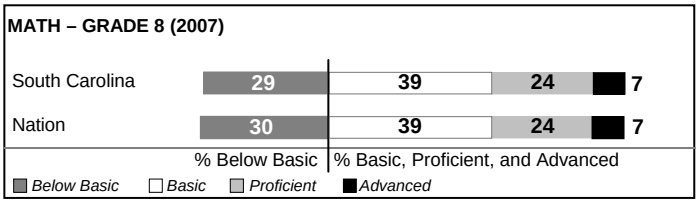
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

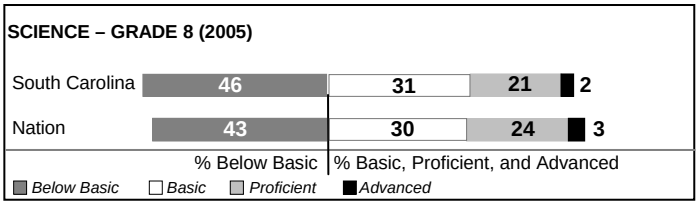
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	72.0%	77.9%
English 1	60.6%	68.3%
Physical Science	50.2%	59.6%
All Tests	61.7%	68.2%

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

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,327)				
Retention rate	10.0%	Down from 12.3%	5.7%	6.1%
Attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 95.7%	95.2%	95.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	10.4%	Down from 14.3%	11.6%	8.3%
With disabilities other than speech	13.9%	Up from 12.4%	13.4%	13.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	1.0%	Down from 3.2%	1.5%	1.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	26.5%	Down from 32.6%	18.0%	11.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	40.4%	N/A	58.5%	54.3%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	31.1%	N/R	31.5%	30.5%
Annual dropout rate	4.5%	Down from 7.1%	4.0%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No Change	0.8%	3.1%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	815	Up from 415	734	559
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	73.6%	Up from 67.7%	81.3%	79.6%
Teachers (n=81)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	65.4%	Down from 67.9%	62.5%	57.4%
Continuing contract teachers	63.0%	Down from 67.9%	72.3%	69.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	3.3%	Up from 0.0%	4.8%	8.7%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	85.9%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.5%	Up from 96.3%	95.4%	95.4%
Average teacher salary	$46,375	Up 3.5%	$46,904	$46,061
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.0%	Up from 0.0%	0.6%	4.3%
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	31.4 to 1	Down from 31.7 to 1	27.8 to 1	25.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.9%	Down from 90.5%	89.9%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	$7,046	Down 0.5%	$6,870	$7,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	52.9%	Down from 54.2%	54.9%	55.3%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	56.3%	Down from 58.0%	59.7%	60.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Modern Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Good	Good
Classical Language Program Assessment	N/A	N/A	Excellent	Average
% of AYP objectives met	71.4%		92.8%	90.5%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	75	153	20
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.3%	75.0%	85.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.3%	82.0%	70.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.6%	81.2%	68.4%

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2007-2008 school year was a historic one for South Pointe. The school graduated its first senior class. While standing upon the ideals put forth in our school's seal—Integrity, Community, and Excellence—many members of this class of 235 students have risen to the high expectations this community has established for our schools in the areas of academics, the arts, and athletics.

Many of those seniors accepted the challenge of the administration and faculty to take the most rigorous courses they were capable of successfully completing. Ten graduated with highest honors, while fourteen graduated with honors. Forty-one members of this Senior Class are Gold Seal Endorsement recipients.

Twenty-eight International Baccalaureate candidates completed the academic and extracurricular requirements for the International Baccalaureate Diploma and took IB examinations in six subjects. South Pointe had the second largest number of full-IB Diploma Seniors in the state of South Carolina and was number one in terms of the percentage of Senior full-IB candidates.

There were many notable accomplishments during the school year. The student newspaper, South Pointe in the News (SPIN), earned an All State rating in its first year of overall competition at the state level and won the 2007-2008 South Carolina Scholastic Press Association Palmetto Award for its class of competition. The Stallion Corral Concert Choir had eight students attend All-State Chorus, with one being named the number one second soprano in the state. Three students received superior ratings at Vocal Solo and Ensemble competition, and the Concert Choir received a rating of superior at State Contest and placed fifth in the state of SC among 50 choirs.

The South Pointe High School Band of Thunder had a very successful year, earning the Outstanding Performance award for the first time in school history. The band finished 3rd at Upper State and 6th at State and won its first-ever grand champion award by winning the 1A/2A grand championship at BandBeat. The school year was a successful one for the South Pointe strings program. The orchestra had their first performance at SC Concert Orchestra Festival and came home with a Superior rating.

We have also been successful in athletics, although we were one of the smallest schools in 4A competition. Highlights included the varsity girls' basketball team finishing first in the region with a record of 23 wins and 3 losses and a trip to the upper state championship game at Clemson University.

The faculty and staff continue to utilize the staff development days to plan strategies to enhance instruction and student learning. We look forward to building upon our successes during the 2008-09 school term.

Al Leonard, Principal
Jeff Nicholson, SIC Chairperson

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