



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Carver Junior High

Spartanburg 7

Grades: 7-9

Enrollment: 646

Principal: Raashad Fitzpatrick

Superintendent: Dr. Thomas D. White, Jr.

Board Chair: Conrad C. Hurst, III

## PERFORMANCE

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

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT

0

GOOD

0

AVERAGE

1

BELOW AVERAGE

2

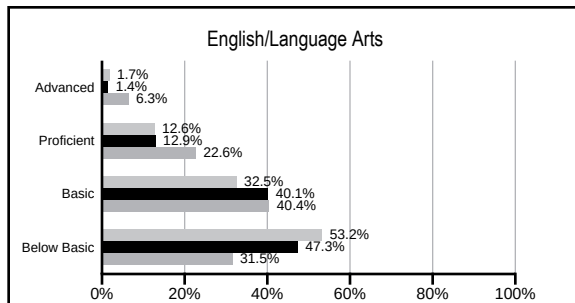
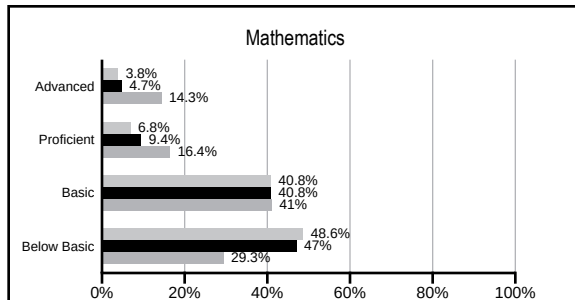
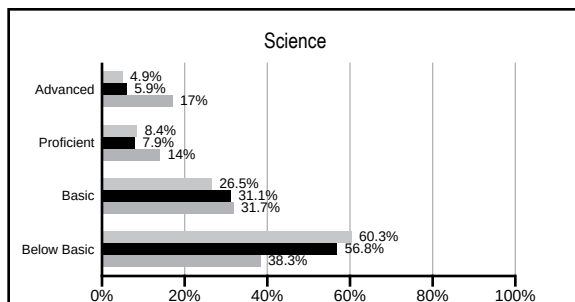
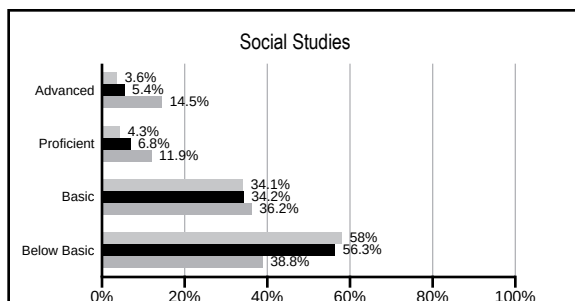
AT-RISK

41

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/02/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Middle Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## PACT PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



## 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 | 2 |
| Nation                                                                                   | 27 | 43 | 27 | 2 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced<br>Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced |    |    |    |   |

### MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)

|                                                                                          |    |    |    |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---|
| South Carolina                                                                           | 29 | 39 | 24 | 7 |
| Nation                                                                                   | 30 | 39 | 24 | 7 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced<br>Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced |    |    |    |   |

### SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)

|                                                                                          |    |    |    |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---|
| South Carolina                                                                           | 46 | 31 | 21 | 2 |
| Nation                                                                                   | 43 | 30 | 24 | 3 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced<br>Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced |    |    |    |   |

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

| % of students scoring 70 or above on: | Our Middle School | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2 | 68.6%             | 86.9%                                  |
| English 1                             | 46.4%             | 83.5%                                  |
| Physical Science                      | 31.5%             | 35.2%                                  |
| All Subjects                          | 47.7%             | 84.5%                                  |

## 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 | Middle Schools<br>with Students<br>Like Ours | Median<br>Middle<br>School |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Students (n=646)</b>                                                    |            |                       |                                              |                            |
| Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)             | 51.7%      | Up from 29.7%         | 11.7%                                        | 19.4%                      |
| Retention rate                                                             | 8.2%       | Down from 11.6%       | 2.6%                                         | 1.8%                       |
| Attendance rate                                                            | 93.0%      | Down from 94.1%       | 95.1%                                        | 95.8%                      |
| Eligible for gifted and talented                                           | 13.7%      | Up from 13.4%         | 8.2%                                         | 15.3%                      |
| With disabilities other than speech                                        | 13.3%      | Up from 13.2%         | 13.9%                                        | 12.9%                      |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses | 0.3%       | Down from 0.6%        | 0.4%                                         | 0.7%                       |
| Annual dropout rate                                                        | 0.9%       | Up from 0.5%          | 0.0%                                         | 0.0%                       |
| <b>Teachers (n=57)</b>                                                     |            |                       |                                              |                            |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                                             | 68.4%      | Down from 70.6%       | 53.6%                                        | 55.0%                      |
| Continuing contract teachers                                               | 71.9%      | Down from 74.5%       | 57.1%                                        | 70.6%                      |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates                        | 2.3%       | Down from 6.5%        | 18.2%                                        | 5.4%                       |
| Teachers returning from previous year                                      | 79.7%      | Down from 85.5%       | 78.2%                                        | 83.4%                      |
| Teacher attendance rate                                                    | 93.4%      | Down from 94.5%       | 94.8%                                        | 94.9%                      |
| Average teacher salary                                                     | \$47,649   | Up 4.0%               | \$43,211                                     | \$44,706                   |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers                            | 3.9%       | Down from 12.3%       | 5.1%                                         | 2.9%                       |
| <b>School</b>                                                              |            |                       |                                              |                            |
| Principal's years at school                                                | 1.0        | Down from 5.0         | 2.0                                          | 3.0                        |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects                                     | 15.8 to 1  | Down from 16.4 to 1   | 17.1 to 1                                    | 20.1 to 1                  |
| Prime instructional time                                                   | 84.7%      | Down from 86.7%       | 88.3%                                        | 89.3%                      |
| Opportunities in the arts                                                  | Good       | Down from Excellent   | Good                                         | Good                       |
| SACS accreditation                                                         | Yes        | No Change             | Yes                                          | Yes                        |
| Character development program                                              | Average    | Down from Excellent   | Good                                         | Good                       |
| Dollars spent per pupil*                                                   | \$8,566    | Down 2.3%             | \$7,957                                      | \$7,097                    |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction*                                   | 68.4%      | Up from 61.3%         | 63.4%                                        | 64.4%                      |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*                              | 64.2%      | Up from 58.1%         | 56.9%                                        | 59.4%                      |
| % of AYP objectives met                                                    | 47.1%      |                       | 58.3%                                        | 69.0%                      |

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

|                                                        | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 62       | 124       | 12       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 86.9%    | 49.6%     | 66.7%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 87.1%    | 61.5%     | 33.3%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 68.3%    | 68.2%     | 50.0%    |

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

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Carver Junior High School represents excellence in education. Our students have the opportunity to excel in academics, the arts, and extra-curricular activities. We utilize data to focus on the needs of every student in order to maximize their academic and social development. Our diverse course offerings include Honors, Odyssey, Latin, Band, Orchestra, Chorus, Art, and JROTC. In 2007, Carver was the only middle/junior high school in Spartanburg County to increase its absolute rating on the South Carolina School Report Card. Carver was also one of the only schools in the upstate to show gains in every tested area of the PACT. Carver has a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club to further meet the needs of all of our students in an after-school program. We will open our doors to the Academic Achievement Academy (Triple A) in the 2008-2009 school year. Triple A will focus on enhancing the educational experience of advanced students. At Carver, we have developed a student-centered academic focus that will allow all students the opportunity to be successful while receiving a high quality education.

At Carver, we truly embrace the concept of building a community of learners. Our Wildcat Pride Seminar, Are You Smarter Than the Test parent workshop, off-campus community meetings, and faith-based and community partnerships have given all stakeholders an opportunity to participate in the learning process. The continued support of all stakeholders will ensure that our students will continue to be successful in the future. During the 2007-2008 school year, we adopted the Teacher Advancement Program (TAP). TAP has helped us create a collegial atmosphere in which improved instruction and student academic achievement are paramount. Through our collaborative efforts, students are receiving quality instruction and excellent educational opportunities.

Students and teachers are recognized for their achievement at Carver. Students are recognized for academic achievement and citizenship. Students are recognized for academic achievement at the end of each grading period. Students are recognized weekly for "promoting pride." Teachers are recognized monthly with the Innovative Instruction Award and Employee of the Month. In the 2008-2009 school year, we plan to recognize a student and parent volunteer each month.

At Carver Junior High School, administrators, teachers, students, parents, and the community share the responsibility to create an environment that promotes excellence in education. We are confident that our efforts will continue to provide an opportunity for students to receive a quality education.

RaaShad Fitzpatrick, Principal  
Nelsa Dogan, SIC Chairperson

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