



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Cherokee Technology Center
Grades: 10-12 **Enrollment: 669**
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 AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	Good	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS IN SC*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
17	13	4	3	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/17/2010. 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	%	%
450	89.6%	86.3%

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	%	%
116	91.4%	95.4%

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	%	%
157	98.1%	96.9%

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	
		Below Basic	Basic	Proficient Advanced

MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	<
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SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)

South Carolina	46	31	21	2
Nation	43	30	24	3
Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and 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 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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Cherokee Technology Center [Cherokee]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=669)			
With disabilities other than speech	8.2%	Down from 8.8%	8.2%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	8.5%	Down from 16.5%	18.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	669	Up from 635	675
Students participating in work-based experiences	51.0%	Up from 50.2%	19.7%
Teachers (n=31)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	48.4%	Up from 45.2%	28.6%
Continuing contract teachers	100.0%	Up from 96.8%	73.8%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	19.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	98.7%	Up from 95.2%	91.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.0%	Up from 94.9%	95.7%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,957	Up 8.6%	\$48,318
Professional development days/teacher	8.8 days	Down from 9.5 days	12.1 days
Center			
Director's years at Center	2.5	Up from 1.5	5.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$3,975	Down 16.4%	\$3,726
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.8%	Down from 60.2%	51.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	77.1%	Up from 69.2%	65.4%
Parents attending conferences	77.7%	Down from 80.8%	88.3%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	16	97	29
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.8%	87.6%	82.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	85.3%	64.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	50.0%	82.3%	66.7%

* 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 six consecutive years, and being fully SACS accredited, Cherokee Technology Center is an institution dedicated to 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 the 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 2008-2009 school year, as well as offer a service to our advisory council members to train their employees using the OSHA guidelines. In addition, the installation of an E911 simulator has raised the level of preparedness our Protective Services receive. Because of our dedicated staff, we have also been able to offer CERT certification to 34 students. CTC also has the state 1st place Skills USA HVAC contest winner. 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.

In 2009-2010, 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, while continuing 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.

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Terry Hall, SIC President

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