



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Chester County Career Center
Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 954**
Director: Lee C. Green
Board Chair: Dr. Richard Hughes
Superintendent: Mr. Larry B. Heath

PERFORMANCE

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	At-Risk	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	Good	Good	Silver	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	%	%
809	77.1%	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	%	%
183	95.1%	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	%	%
237	91.1%	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
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 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.

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

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=954)			
With disabilities other than speech	7.5%	Up from 7.1%	8.2%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	8.2%	Down from 11.2%	18.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	954	Up from 938	675
Students participating in work-based experiences	27.0%	Up from 20.6%	19.7%
Teachers (n=19)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	31.6%	Up from 30.0%	28.6%
Continuing contract teachers	89.5%	Up from 80.0%	73.8%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	11.1%	Down from 16.7%	19.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.6%	Up from 88.3%	91.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Up from 94.0%	95.7%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,804	Up 3.0%	\$48,318
Professional development days/teacher	7.7 days	Down from 10.0 days	12.1 days
Center			
Director's years at Center	3.0	Up from 2.0	5.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$2,014	Up 0.6%	\$3,726
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	56.7%	Down from 61.0%	51.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.2%	Up from 72.9%	65.4%
Parents attending conferences	97.0%	Down from 98.6%	88.3%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.
** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	21	91	23
Percent satisfied with learning environment	76.2%	86.8%	69.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	81.0%	89.0%	63.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	57.9%	86.4%	68.2%

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Chester County Career Center enjoyed another successful year, serving over 950 students in our 15 program areas. We received an “Excellent” rating on the school report card, leading to a Palmetto Gold Award. We met the Perkins standard for graduation rate, and submitted an improvement plan for academic attainment in reading/language arts.

Our dedication to providing an exceptional educational experience for our students is constant as we always strive for improvement. In 2008-09, we added new furniture and computers in the drafting lab, two pieces of new equipment in automotive technology, facilities upgrades in two business labs, and new computers in the mechatronics lab. A storage shed was constructed on campus by the carpentry and masonry students.

Many of our program areas sent students to compete in SkillsUSA, DECA and FFA. We had students in marketing, masonry and graphic communications qualify to compete at the national level. We are extremely proud of all our participants and the way in which they represented our school. Many of our student organizations also participated in service projects that allowed students to learn the value of giving back to their community.

We have articulation agreements with York Technical College and Spartanburg Technical College. CTE students have the opportunity to earn college credit while in high school through the EXCELS program. Forty-seven students took advantage of programs in which they received dual credit.

We offer a number of certifications for our students, such as NCCER certification in carpentry, electricity, masonry and welding; ServSafe; OSHA; Cosmetology Licensing; First Aid/CPR/AED; and First Responder. Many of our students also take the WorkKeys assessment. Students in the construction trades programs and health science technology took industry assessments. The opportunity to have these certifications will help students as they leave high school and enter the workforce.

Fourteen new members were inducted into the Chester County Career Center Chapter of the National Technical Honor Society.

We are fortunate to have active community support in both Work-Based Learning and Craft Advisory Committees. We also have virtual shadowing opportunities available so students have access to careers outside the local area.

We maintain our commitment to prepare students for a global society. Your input is welcome and necessary as we work together toward accomplishing this goal.

Lee C. Green, Director
Beth Blackwell, SIC Chair