



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Darlington County Institute of Technology
Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 1,003**
Director: Bert Guerry
Board Chair: Connell Delaine
Superintendent: Dr. Rainey H. Knight

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	N/A	N/A	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2007	N/A	N/A	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	%	%
903	84.5%	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	%	%
316	91.1%	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	%	%
0.0	0.0%	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	29	39	24 7
Nation	30	39	24 7
% Below Basic		% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced	
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	
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=1,003)			
With disabilities other than speech	9.4%	Up from 8.0%	8.2%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	16.3%	Down from 17.4%	18.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1003	Up from 955	675
Students participating in work-based experiences	12.8%	Up from 0.0%	19.7%
Teachers (n=20)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	20.0%	No Change	28.6%
Continuing contract teachers	75.0%	No Change	73.8%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	15.0%	Down from 15.8%	19.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	91.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Up from 93.3%	95.7%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,803	Down 4.4%	\$48,318
Professional development days/teacher	18.8 days	Down from 28.6 days	12.1 days
Center			
Director's years at Center	4.0	Up from 3.0	5.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$2,352	Down 43.6%	\$3,726
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.9%	Up from 50.7%	51.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.3%	Up from 61.8%	65.4%
Parents attending conferences	90.2%	Up from 88.1%	88.3%

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

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	17	142	23
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	92.2%	86.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	95.7%	82.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	91.4%	91.3%

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Darlington County Institute of Technology (DCIT) serves as the career and technology education center for the Darlington County School District. The DCIT serves more than 1100 students from Darlington, Hartsville, Lamar, and Mayo high schools in Darlington County. Seventeen programs of study are offered in accordance with standards set by the South Carolina State Department of Education. The DCIT is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (AdvancED). The DCIT is committed to providing students with the skills and knowledge necessary to pursue post-secondary education and to enter the workplace prepared and capable of performing the task that will be required of them.

The DCIT had 231 students earn four or more units in a program of study (completer) and inducted 51 students into the National Technical Honor Society. The DCIT had 71 students earn Certified Nursing Assistant certification, and 151 students earned OSHA 500 and OSHA 501 Safety Certification. Our students participated in DECA, HOSA, FBLA, FFA, PICA, and Skills USA at the state level. On the national level, we had students from DECA, HOSA, FBLA, and Skills USA participating and representing the DCIT and South Carolina.

All of the completers at the DCIT take the Workkeys assessment as part of their course requirements. More than 67% of our students earned a Silver or Gold card from the Workkeys assessment.

The DCIT continues to actively pursue industry recognized certifications in ASE, NIMS, AWS, and NCCER programs of study. We continually work with local industry to make sure we are teaching the curriculum that fits these industries.

We at the DCIT are always “leaping for success” to make sure our students rise to the level of excellence that is expected by the Darlington County School District and the people of Darlington County.

Gay Blackmon, Chairperson, DCIT Advisory Council
Bert Guerry, Director, DCIT

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