

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Mid Carolina High
Newberry
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 727
Principal: Lynn G. Cary, Ed.D.
Superintendent: Mr. Bennie Bennett
Board Chair: Mr. Don Saylor

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	Good	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2008	Good	Excellent	Gold	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	8	19	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/23/2010. 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	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
Passed 2 subtests (%)	81.2%	78.7%	82.5%	77.7%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	11.7%	10.1%	10.0%	12.3%
Passed no subtests (%)	7.1%	11.2%	7.7%	10.0%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	96.1%	94.9%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

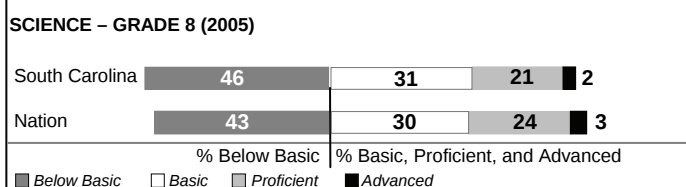
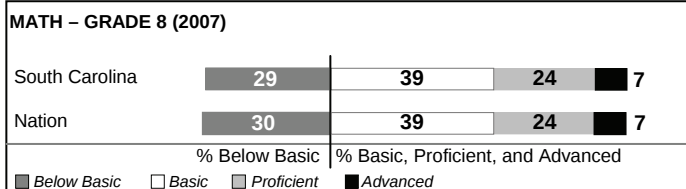
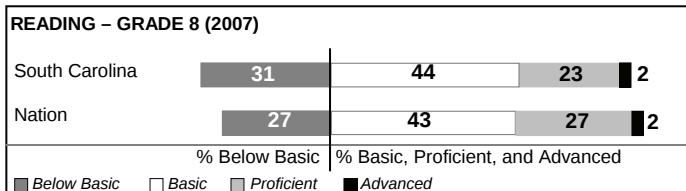
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	174	349
Number of Diplomas	149	259
Rate (%)	85.6%	75.0%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	81.4%	74.2%
English 1	62.0%	64.5%
Physical Science	45.0%	57.6%
US History and the Constitution	50.4%	47.1%
All Tests	56.6%	59.7%

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 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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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=727)				
Retention rate	3.4%	Down from 7.1%	3.8%	4.8%
Attendance rate	96.6%	Up from 96.3%	95.4%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	21.5%	Up from 19.9%	13.5%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	14.2%	Down from 14.5%	12.5%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	6.5%	Down from 7.8%	7.4%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.8%	Up from 0.6%	1.6%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	7.3%	Down from 11.5%	15.9%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	57.1%	Up from 34.1%	55.6%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	55.0%	Down from 56.7%	32.8%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	2.7%	No Change	3.6%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	2.2%	Up from 1.2%	1.6%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	414	Up from 341	745	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	87.0%	Up from 84.6%	78.9%	79.3%
Teachers (n=40)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	72.5%	Down from 74.4%	63.8%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	72.5%	Up from 59.0%	77.6%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	5.6%	No Change	4.3%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.3%	Up from 76.9%	87.3%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.4%	Up from 95.2%	95.7%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,025	Down 1.1%	\$48,989	\$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.0%	Down from 8.5%	1.6%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	11.4 days	Up from 6.7 days	10.3 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	6.3	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.9 to 1	Down from 24.7 to 1	28.0 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.4%	Down from 91.3%	90.3%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,352	Up 5.7%	\$6,890	\$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	51.7%	Down from 53.1%	55.2%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.0%	Down from 59.2%	60.0%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	83.6%	Down from 89.4%	95.6%	95.8%
Character development program	Average	No Change	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	70.6%	Down from 94.1%	70.6%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	46	156	28
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.3%	73.1%	82.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.8%	83.8%	78.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	65.2%	84.5%	67.9%

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

We have had an outstanding year at Mid-Carolina High School, a school with a long-standing tradition of excellence. That tradition continued during the 2008-2009 school year.

The focus for school improvement has been, and will continue to be, student achievement. We were very pleased to see the percentage of students passing the math subtest of the HSAP go up significantly, from 84.8% in 2007 to 91% in 2008. We saw an increase of 22 points in SAT verbal scores from 2007 to 2008. All of our graduating seniors who were working toward a diploma passed the HSAP by the fall of 2008. In addition, 55% of our graduating class qualified for the LIFE scholarship. They received a total of \$1,787,198 in scholarships. Our graduation rate increased from 72.4% in 2007 to 81% in 2008. We also received the prestigious Palmetto Gold Award for our excellent improvement rating on the state report card.

MCHS is known for its strong athletic and fine arts programs. This year, the softball, baseball, soccer and girls' basketball teams all advanced to the state playoffs, and several students competed and placed at the state level in track. Our football team went on to make the playoffs for the second year in a row, making it to the second round. Our competition cheerleaders competed for a state title. For the third year in a row, our archery team placed first in the state competition and went on to compete at the national competition in Kentucky. The band competed in the state marching competition. Our chorus students competed in many state activities, including the USC, Furman, Columbia College and Region Honor Choirs and All-State Chorus. Our art students also had an extraordinary year, with two students being selected to attend the Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities summer or residential programs.

We will continue to strive toward engaging our students and reaching for the stars. It is important that we continue to develop strategies that will improve student achievement and use rigorous assessments tied to state standards. We are most proud of the role that our school plays in the community, and we definitely appreciate the support that we receive from parents and community members alike. We are also blessed with a dedicated faculty and staff, and their diligent efforts continue to foster improved student achievement at MCHS.

Joe Boland, School Improvement Council Chair
Lynn Cary, Principal

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