

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

James F Byrnes High
 Spartanburg 5
 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,677
 Principal: Jeffrey R. Rogers
 Superintendent: Dr. Scott Turner
 Board Chair: Mr. Butch Coan

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	Good	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Good	Silver	Silver	Met	N/A
2007	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	6	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 (%)	89.8%	80.6%	84.8%	78.7%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	5.5%	10.2%	8.9%	12.0%
Passed no subtests (%)	4.7%	9.2%	6.5%	9.3%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2009

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	94.7%	95.4%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	577	384
Number of Diplomas	463	286
Rate (%)	80.2%	74.8%

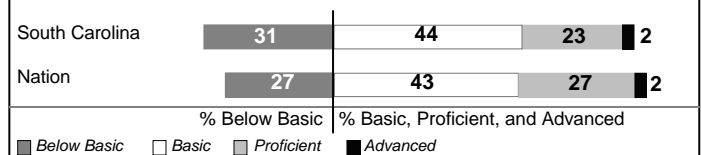
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2009

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	72.3%	74.7%
English 1	55.6%	65.7%
Physical Science	44.6%	59.7%
US History and the Constitution	47.9%	49.2%
All Tests	54.8%	61.7%

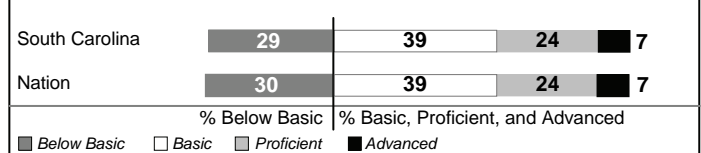
NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

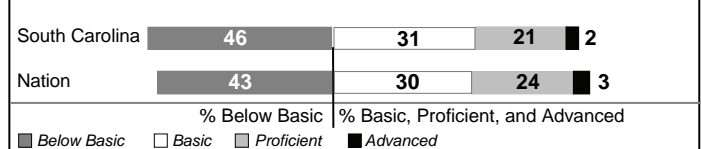
READING – GRADE 8 (2007)



MATH – GRADE 8 (2007)



SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)



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=1,677)				
Retention rate	3.5%	Down from 6.3%	4.0%	4.8%
Attendance rate	95.0%	No Change	95.4%	95.5%
Eligible for gifted and talented	23.5%	Up from 11.6%	13.3%	9.2%
With disabilities other than speech	11.4%	Down from 11.7%	12.5%	12.6%
Older than usual for grade	7.1%	No Change	6.7%	8.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.6%	Up from 1.3%	1.3%	1.2%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	19.1%	Down from 22.2%	15.6%	13.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	70.1%	Up from 63.3%	57.6%	55.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	55.2%	Up from 54.9%	32.2%	29.8%
Annual dropout rate	5.8%	Up from 4.8%	3.5%	3.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	25.6%	Up from 2.2%	2.2%	3.0%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	960	Up from 826	795	523
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	85.1%	Up from 81.7%	79.9%	79.3%
Teachers (n=94)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.8%	Up from 62.6%	62.9%	58.6%
Continuing contract teachers	77.7%	Up from 75.8%	77.1%	71.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	5.2%	8.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.8%	Up from 80.7%	87.5%	85.0%
Teacher attendance rate	94.7%	Down from 98.2%	95.7%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,885	Up 2.7%	\$48,299	\$47,761
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.6%	Up from 0.0%	1.3%	3.5%
Professional development days/teacher	10.4 days	Down from 19.4 days	11.3 days	10.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	6.8	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	30.7 to 1	Up from 28.5 to 1	28.7 to 1	26.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.3%	Down from 92.0%	90.2%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,718	Up 21.8%	\$6,708	\$7,883
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	58.5%	Down from 60.8%	54.9%	54.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.7%	Up from 67.3%	60.4%	60.2%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	95.3%	95.8%
Character development program	Good	Up from Average	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	66.7%	Down from 100.0%	71.4%	64.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	71	355	24
Percent satisfied with learning environment	90.1%	69.2%	79.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.8%	75.4%	72.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	90.1%	81.9%	70.8%

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

James F. Byrnes High School celebrates yet another year of excellence in academics, athletics, and fine arts. Our rich tradition of success has evolved into a yearly expectation for our students, parents, and community. Everything we do revolves around our strategic plan and the Ten Key Practices from High Schools That Work. Together, our faculty, staff, and community partners are working to prepare students for lifelong learning and jobs that do not exist yet.

At Byrnes, academics are job number one. Two Byrnes High School students were National Merit Scholarship Recipients. We are very proud to report that our dual credit enrollment more than tripled this year. Alternative programs such as the District Five Academy, LINK, and Gateway to College offer more choices for students that choose a nontraditional educational path. Teachers were able to enhance instructional delivery through the addition of LCD projectors, Interwrite tablets, and document cameras. Such technologies have helped to enhance our commitment to research-based instructional strategies. As a result of the hard work and dedication of our faculty, staff, and students, our school celebrated another mammoth increase in our HSAP scores. Over the past two years, our HSAP scores have increased by twenty percent! We were awarded two Palmetto Silver Awards for increased student achievement and closing the achievement gap.

Our football team was honored to be named the number one team in the nation and win our ninth state championship title. The volleyball team also celebrates a state championship. Byrnes Indigo winterguard team won top honors in the southern region and fifth globally. Our Technology Student Association also won state and national honors. Together, our student council, Leadership Byrnes, JROTC, and Junior Civitan Club provided thousands of hours of community and school service projects.

Our school transforms several small towns into a large community dedicated to excellence in all facets of school life. Byrnes High School values its collaborative partnerships with parents and the community in preparing our students to be successful in an ever-changing world. Together we celebrate another year of incredible successes.

Jeff Rogers, Principal
Suzanne Flynn, SIC Chairperson

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