

## John de la Howe School

L. S. Brice School on John de la Howe School Campus  
192 Gettys Road, McCormick SC 29835

Grades	6-10	
Enrollment	76	
Superintendent	Mark S. Williamson	864-391-0413
Principal	Colin Taylor	864-391-0426
Board Chair	Wayne Moseley	864-391-0414

# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2009 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

## RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2009	Average	Below Average
2008	Average	At-Risk
2007	Excellent	Excellent
2006	Excellent	Good
2005	Excellent	Good

## ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

N/A

Definition: As required by the United States Department of Education, Adequate Yearly Progress specifies that the statewide target is met for "All Students" and for the following subgroups: Racial/Ethnic, Subsidized Meals, Disability, and Limited English Proficiency in the areas of English/Language Arts and Mathematics, as well as meeting the statewide target for "All Students" for attendance or graduation rate.

## DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- At-Risk – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

## SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina'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.

## PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Criterion	Points Assigned				
	5	4	3	2	1
	<i>Exemplary 5</i>	<i>Exemplary 4</i>	<i>Met</i>	<i>Not Met 2</i>	<i>Not Met 1</i>
<i>PASS Math*</i>		1	9	10	26
	<i>Exemplary 5</i>	<i>Exemplary 4</i>	<i>Met</i>	<i>Not Met 2</i>	<i>Not Met 1</i>
<i>PASS Language Arts*</i>		4	18	10	14
	<i>Passed 2</i>		<i>Passed 1</i>		<i>Passed 0</i>
<i>HSAP Exit Exam</i>	1	3	2		
	<i>.81–1.0</i>	<i>.61–.80</i>	<i>.41–.60</i>	<i>.21–.40</i>	<i>.20 or less (or no score)</i>
<i>STAR Pretest–Posttest Gains in Math</i>	41	2	4	3	14
	<i>.81–1.0</i>	<i>.61–.80</i>	<i>.41–.60</i>	<i>.21–.40</i>	<i>.20 or less (or no score)</i>
<i>STAR Pretest–Posttest Gains in Reading</i>	24	2	3	6	17
	7	6	5	4	<i>Less than 4</i>
<i>High School Credits</i>	16	5			1
	7	6	5	4	<i>Less than 4</i>
<i>Middle School Classes Passed</i>	24	10	6	1	5

\*based on 2008 PACT scores

## END OF COURSE TESTS

Percent of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our School
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	50%
English 1	58%
U.S. History & the Constitution	100%
Physical Science	10%
<b>All Subjects</b>	<b>37%</b>

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year
<b>STUDENTS (n=62)</b>		
Retention rate	14%	Down from 26%
Attendance rate	98%	No Change
With disabilities other than speech	4%	Down from 13%
Older than usual for grade	56%	Up from 55%
Out-of-school expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0%	No Change
Non-Speech disabilities taking PACT on grade level	100%	No Change
Non-Speech disabilities taking PACT off grade level	0%	No Change
Annual dropout rate	0%	No Change
<b>TEACHERS (n=14)</b>		
Teachers with advanced degrees	57%	Up from 44%
Continuing contract teachers	71%	Up from 50%
Percent of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	29%	Down from 31%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0%	No change
Teachers returning from previous year	71%	Up from 56%
Teacher attendance rate	94%	Down from 95%
Average teacher salary	\$43,440	Up from \$42,827
Professional development days	10	No Change
<b>SCHOOL</b>		
Superintendent's/Principal's years at school	4/2	2/New
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	9 to 1	No Change
Prime instructional time	95%	No Change
Dollars spent per pupil	\$15,230	Up from \$14,985
Percent of expenditures for instruction	100%	No Change
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries	93%	No Change
Opportunities in the arts	N/A	No Change
SACS accreditation	No	No Change
Parents attending conferences	100%	No Change

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## REPORT OF PRESIDENT

John de la Howe School is a state agency located in rural McCormick County South Carolina. We are a residential alternative school servicing at-risk youth in grades 6-10. Our children and families come from all over the State of South Carolina and seek assistance in getting their personal and academic lives back on track. The teachers at John de la Howe work tirelessly to offer a quality education to the students and their dedication is evidenced by the accomplishments of our student body. Below are a few of many achievements for the 2008-2009 school year:

- 46% of our students made at least one full grade level gain in reading.
- 64% of our students made at least one full grade level gain in mathematics.
- John de la Howe students read over 6,037,041 words.
- All students participated in various service learning projects in the community and on the John de la Howe campus.

Colin Taylor  
Principal

## EVALUATIONS BY STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND PARENTS

	Students	Teachers	Parents
Number of surveys returned	N/A	5	N/A
Satisfied with learning environment	N/A	100.0%	N/A
Satisfied with social and physical environment	N/A	60.0%	N/A
Satisfied with school-home relations	N/A	80.0%	N/A