



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

SOCASTEE HIGH

Horry

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 1,440

Principal: Paul K. Browning

Superintendent: Dr. Cynthia Elsberry

Board Chair: Will Garland

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		
2010	Excellent	At-Risk	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Good	Good	Silver	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	Silver	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	16	10	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/24/2011. 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	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
Passed 2 subtests (%)	80.0%	84.9%	78.2%	80.7%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	11.7%	9.7%	12.0%	11.0%
Passed no subtests (%)	8.3%	5.5%	9.8%	8.7%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2010

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	94.6%	91.5%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

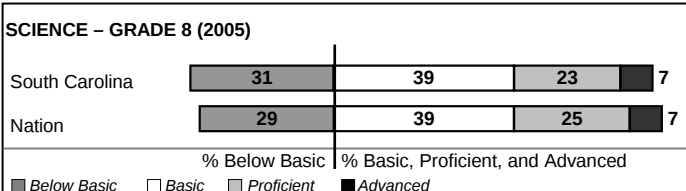
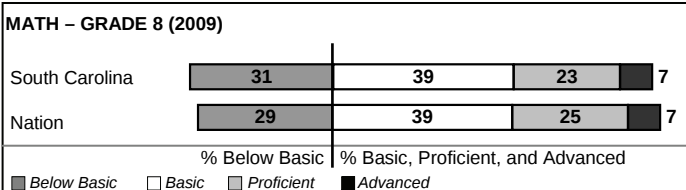
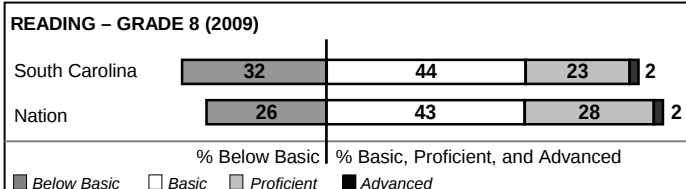
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	401	366
Number of Diplomas	308	267
Rate (%)	76.8%	72.3%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	80.5	77.3
English 1	79.0	71.8
Physical Science	58.5	61.9
US History and the Constitution	51.6	48.6
All Tests	67.5	64.5

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.

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 School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,440)				
Retention rate	0.8%	Down from 1.9%	2.8%	3.7%
Attendance rate	96.3%	Down from 97.6%	95.6%	95.4%
Eligible for gifted and talented	34.6%	Up from 28.7%	16.3%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	13.0%	Down from 14.9%	12.4%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	3.1%	Down from 5.2%	7.6%	9.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.2%	Down from 3.0%	1.7%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	20.4%	Up from 12.1%	19.0%	13.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	72.0%	Down from 73.5%	55.5%	50.4%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	33.2%	Up from 32.8%	31.6%	30.4%
Annual dropout rate	4.0%	Down from 5.7%	3.4%	3.1%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	15.4%	Up from 11.9%	1.4%	2.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	718	Down from 767	588	424
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	78.7%	Up from 76.2%	78.7%	78.7%
Teachers (n=87)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	58.6%	Up from 58.3%	63.9%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	79.3%	Up from 77.4%	80.4%	76.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	4.9%	Down from 7.6%	4.5%	6.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.7%	Up from 87.1%	87.9%	86.8%
Teacher attendance rate	95.4%	Down from 95.6%	95.9%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$52,636	Up 0.3%	\$48,724	\$47,390
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.8%	Up from 3.3%	0.8%	2.8%
Professional development days/teacher	9.5 days	Down from 13.2 days	10.0 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	12.0	Up from 11.0	7.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	25.5 to 1	Down from 30.9 to 1	28.8 to 1	25.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.9%	Down from 91.7%	91.1%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,711	Down 1.3%	\$7,368	\$7,974
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	54.8%	Up from 42.0%	56.9%	55.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.1%	Down from 60.2%	61.5%	60.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	90.1%	Down from 99.3%	93.6%	96.0%
Character development program	Average	No Change	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	88.2%	Up from 76.5%	76.2%	69.2%

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

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	81	249	46
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.4%	76.3%	91.3%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	76.6%	84.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	93.8%	84.0%	80.4%

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

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Socastee High School's school year was filled with the energy and enthusiasm of students and faculty working together to promote academic excellence and Spirit, Honor, and Service. The curriculum was expanded with the addition of AP courses in Probability and Statistics, and Human Geography. Technology courses in Gaming and Animation were added and proved quite popular. The International Baccalaureate Program produced its eleventh Diploma Class with the highest scores in the Southeast. Socastee was named a Newsweek Magazine Top 5% American High School for the fifth consecutive year. Air Force JROTC was named a Distinguished Unit for the 8th straight year. Socastee's seniors received over \$7M in scholarships. The Arts flourished with the Jazz and Concert Bands being named best in South Carolina and the play "Seussical" was attended by audiences totalling 5,000. DECA once again qualified for National Competition and placed for the first time ever. The Haiti Project provided over 300 pairs of crutches, over the counter drugs, and funding for teachers. SHS hosted the area Special Olympics for the 12th consecutive year and the Polar Plunge raised over \$16,000 to support the Special Olympics. Our Ninth Grade focus continued and this year's retention rate of 5% is the best in school history. The Socastee faculty, staff, and community are proud of our year and we are relentlessly seeking to improve our students' success in the crucial years of high school. Paul K. Browning, Ed. D. Principal
Danielle Eiler, School Improvement Council Chairperson