



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blythewood High School  
 Richland Two  
 Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 2,160  
 Principal: G. Keith Price  
 Superintendent: Katie Brochu  
 Board Chair: The Honorable Calvin "Chip" Jackson

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2011	Excellent	Good	Gold	Gold	Not Met	N/A
2010	Good	Good	Silver	Gold	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
22	6	0	0	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. 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	
	2011	2012	2011	2012
Passed 2 subtests (%)	82.5%	80.4%	85.6%	85.2%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	11.5%	11.7%	9.1%	9.3%
Passed no subtests (%)	6.0%	7.8%	6.0%	5.7%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2012

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.1%	94.5%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

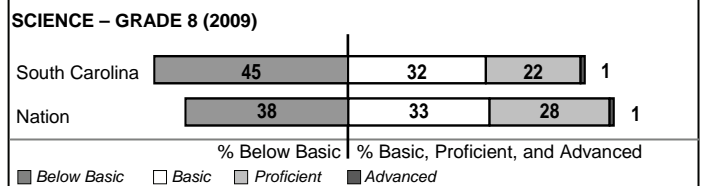
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	519	382
Number of Diplomas	431	307
Rate (%)	83.0%	80.8%

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2012

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	83.2	82.0
English 1	78.7	71.0
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	78.0	81.9
US History and the Constitution	62.3	58.8
All Tests	75.5	74.0

## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

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



## SC PERFORMANCE 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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# Blythewood High School [Richland Two]

## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=2,160)</b>				
Retention rate	3.0%	Down from 3.2%	2.3%	3.0%
Attendance rate	97.7%	Up from 96.0%	96.1%	95.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.8%	Down from 4.2%	0.8%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	22.6%	Up from 20.3%	22.6%	13.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	70.9%	Up from 65.9%	54.0%	50.9%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	31.2%	Down from 33.7%	35.7%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	2.3%	Down from 2.9%	2.3%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	8.1%	Down from 8.2%	2.5%	2.7%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1091	Up from 1013	785	395
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	81.1%	Up from 3.0%	84.9%	84.0%
<b>Teachers (n=132)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	72.7%	Up from 67.9%	67.0%	63.2%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	90.7%	Up from 90.2%	89.5%	86.6%
Teacher attendance rate	94.3%	Up from 93.7%	95.4%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,757	Up 0.7%	\$48,356	\$47,326
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	3.9%	Up from 0.6%	3.3%	3.6%
Professional development days/teacher	11.0 days	Up from 8.3 days	8.7 days	9.7 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	29.3 to 1	Up from 27.4 to 1	29.3 to 1	27.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	N/R	N/R	89.5%	89.4%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,656	Down 4.0%	\$6,806	\$7,761
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.5%	Up from 64.6%	59.6%	57.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.4%	Up from 67.1%	61.0%	59.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.1%	Down from 98.3%	98.0%	97.8%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	88.6	N/A	85.0	78.2

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	105	354	5
Percent satisfied with learning environment	96.2%	76.6%	I/S
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.1%	79.1%	I/S
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	94.2%	83.2%	I/S

\*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Blythewood High School was recognized as a finalist for the Palmetto's Finest Award for the 2011-2012 school year. The Bengals earned a finalist award with effective programs, innovative curriculum and a positive school climate supported by campus and community populations. The school achieved Palmetto Gold status for overall performance and for closing the Achievement Gap. The Army JROTC program is home to the Legion of Valor Bronze Cross award winner. This spring our Concert Choir had the opportunity to perform in Carnegie Hall as a selected performing group. Our drama and music departments collaborated for the presentation of a musical. Students and staff planned exchange programs with colleagues from Germany and Colombia. We sponsored a Columbia to Colombia program with great success where teachers and students had the opportunity to experience another community and school culture for a quarter of the year. Members of our culinary arts program traveled to Australia as part of an exchange program with support from local Rotarians. These on-going initiatives with global partners continue to allow educators and students to pursue meaningful conversations across cultural boundaries.

Blythewood High sports teams earned six region championships including titles for boys' bowling, girls' bowling, boys' golf, softball, baseball and girls' tennis. Individual and group programs and competitions for students recognized Blythewood students in the visual arts, criminal justice, drama, mock trial, band, orchestra, Virtual Enterprise, Future Business Leaders of America and Health Occupation Students of America. Blythewood High is proud of our South Carolina Health Occupations Teacher of the Year. Our extracurricular program provided opportunities for one hundred percent of our students to participate in school activities.

Blythewood High faculty, staff and students successfully completed a downsizing process for students and staff in preparation for the opening of another district high school in the fall. Students and staff supported the Blythewood community through participation in events such as the Blythewood Tournament of Bands, Breast Cancer Awareness activities and Special Olympics. Student-led service initiatives continued to support community agencies and activities including the Souper Bowl of Caring, Relay for Life, Children's Garden, God's Storehouse, Sister Care, SCDSS foster children, and other fundraising efforts.

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Kim Sizemore, SIC Chairperson

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