

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blythewood High School
Richland 2
Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 1,607**
Principal: G. Keith Price
Superintendent: Katie Brochu
Board Chair: The Honorable William R. Flemming J

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
2013	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2012	Excellent	Good	Gold	N/A	B	N/A
2011	Excellent	Good	Gold	Gold	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
11	0	0	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. 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	
	2012	2013	2012	2013
Passed 2 subtests (%)	80.4%	85.5%	85.2%	90.6%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	11.7%	8.5%	9.3%	6.7%
Passed no subtests (%)	7.8%	5.9%	5.7%	3.5%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2013

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	94.5%	96.1%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	424	368
Number of Diplomas	369	318
Rate (%)	87.0%	86.7%

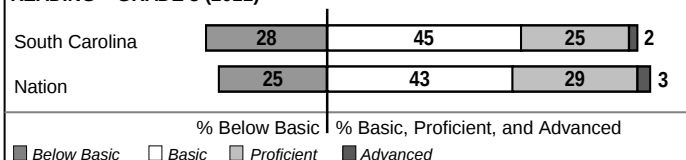
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	82.1	86.5
English 1	86.2	83.6
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	82.2	87.9
US History and the Constitution	78.7	76.0
All Tests	82.4	83.5

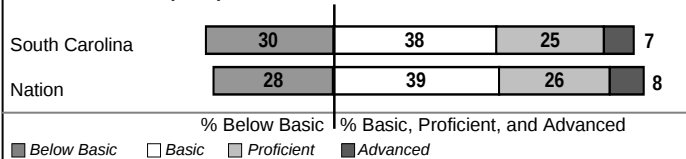
NAEP PERFORMANCE*

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

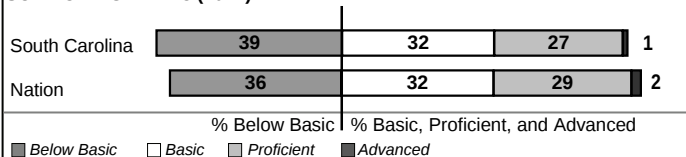
READING - GRADE 8 (2011)



MATH - GRADE 8 (2011)



SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2011)



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.

Abbreviations Key

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,607)				
Retention rate	2.5%	Down from 3.0%	2.1%	2.9%
Attendance rate	97.5%	Down from 97.7%	95.3%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	22.7%	N/A	33.8%	17.5%
With disabilities	9.3%	N/A	8.7%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	3.4%	N/A	4.3%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	3.5%	Up from 2.8%	1.0%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	30.9%	Up from 22.6%	39.4%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	73.0%	Up from 70.9%	57.0%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	35.1%	Up from 31.2%	37.9%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	1.3%	Down from 2.3%	1.4%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Enrollment in career/technology courses	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Teachers (n=100)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	67.0%	Down from 72.7%	66.0%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	79.0%	Down from 81.8%	82.4%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.0%	Down from 90.7%	88.2%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	96.6%	Up from 94.3%	95.6%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,853	Up 2.2%	\$49,261	\$48,699
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.3%	Up from 3.9%	2.7%	2.5%
Professional development days/teacher	9.9 days	Down from 11.0 days	8.3 days	9.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	31.6 to 1	Up from 29.3 to 1	28.8 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.9%	N/R	90.2%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,432	Down 3.4%	\$6,692	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.0%	Down from 66.5%	59.0%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.0%	Down from 69.4%	60.0%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.4%	Up from 98.1%	99.4%	97.7%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	80.9	Down from 88.6	88.2	77.4

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	72	272	7
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93%	76.8%	N/A
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	98.6%	78.3%	N/A
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.4%	82.5%	N/A

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

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

During 2012-13, Blythewood High faculty, staff and students completed another outstanding school year. Our school downsized to approximately 1600 students with the opening of another district high school. 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, Hidden Wounds, SCDSS foster children, and other fundraising efforts. Our school musical was very successful with collaboration from drama, music and building construction programs.

Blythewood High School received Palmetto Gold status for overall performance from the South Carolina Department of Education. Our school was home to 28 national board certified teachers. Our Teacher of the Year was named Richland Two's Teacher of the Year. We had one National Merit Scholar and one National Achievement Scholar. The Blue Legion Band advanced to the 4A state championships. 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. Members of our culinary arts program traveled to Australia as part of an exchange program with support from local Rotarians. These initiatives with global partners allow educators and students to pursue meaningful conversations across cultural boundaries.

Blythewood High sports teams earned nine region championships including titles for football, volleyball, boys' bowling, girls' bowling, boys' golf, girls' soccer, softball, baseball and girls' tennis. Our baseball team was the Upper State Champion and Blythewood High is home to the South Carolina state champion for the 100 meter as well as the relay team which won the state championship in the 4 X 100. Individual and group programs and competitions for students recognized Blythewood students in the visual arts, drama, band, orchestra, Future Business Leaders of America and Health Occupation Students of America. Our extracurricular program provided opportunities for one hundred percent of our students to participate in school activities.

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Kim Sizemore, SIC Chairperson

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