SC Annual District Report Card Summary

LAURENS 56 School District
Grades: PK-12 **Enrollment: 3,081**
Superintendent: David C. O'Shields
Board Chair: Jim Barton

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
2014	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2013	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2012	Average	Excellent	N/A	N/A	B	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
7	2	11	0	0

** Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.*

SC PASS

SC PASS	2014 Reading	2014 Math	2014 Science	2014 Social Studies	2014 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above
District	71.4%	71.9%	67.3%	75.8%	74.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	66.8%	64.4%	63.3%	69.5%	69.9%
Average District	73.9%	72.3%	70.2%	75.9%	76.2%

SC PASS

SC PASS	2014 Reading	2014 Math	2014 Science	2014 Social Studies	2014 Writing
	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary
District	36.1%	31.9%	22.7%	32.2%	32.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	33.5%	27.0%	20.0%	28.9%	29.8%
Average District	42.4%	36.6%	26.6%	37.5%	38.6%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests	Passed 1 Subtest	Passed No Subtests
District	69.2%	19.0%	11.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	70.9%	18.5%	10.6%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2014 (%)

District	88.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	90.2%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	70.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	69.8%

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

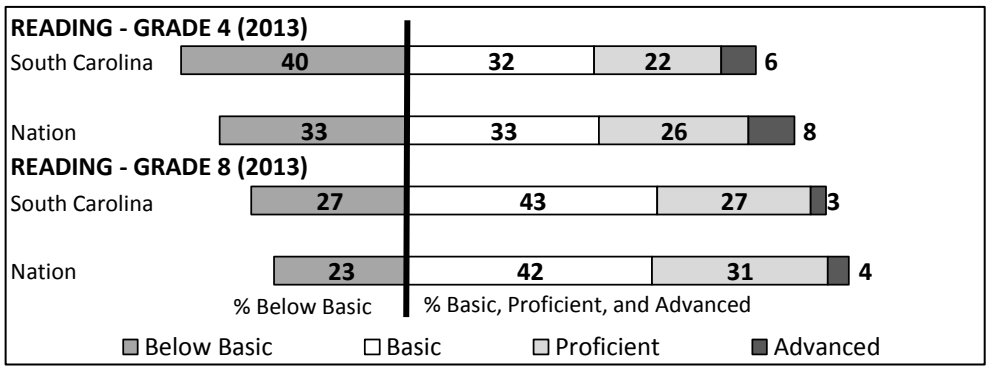
District	77.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	80.7%

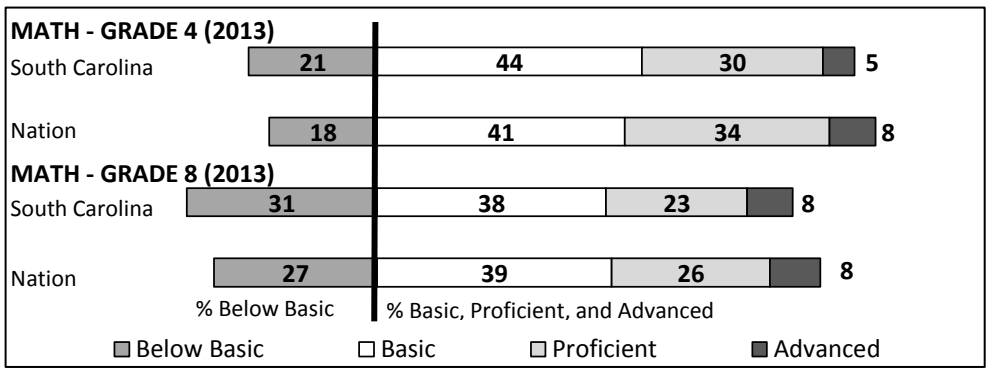
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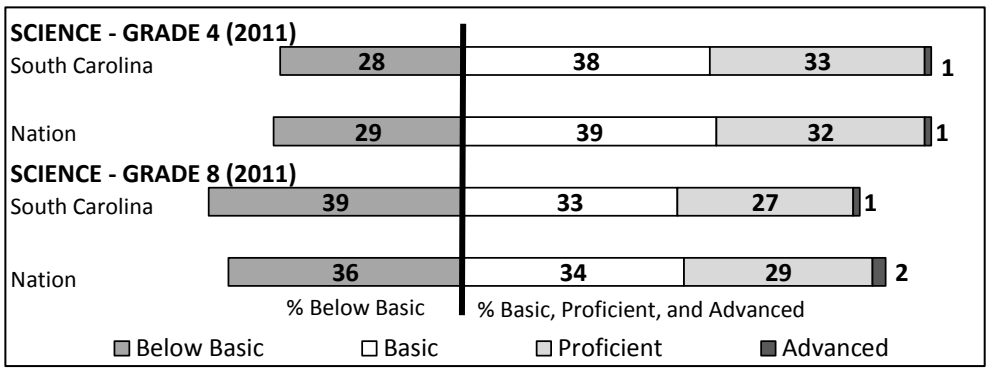
NAEP*

**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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LAURENS 56 School District

DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n = 3,081)				
Retention Rate	1.9%	Up from 1.8%	2.5%	2.1%
Attendance Rate	97.0%	Up from 96.1%	95.9%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	12.1%	Up from 11.9%	10.9%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	17.8%	Up from 17.6%	14.3%	13.1%
Older than usual for grade	4.9%	Up from 4.8%	6.1%	4.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.3%	Down from 0.6%	0.7%	0.7%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	17.2%	Up from 11.5%	11.5%	15.7%
Successful on AP/IB exams	32.1%	Down from 46.9%	47.1%	51.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	61.8%	Up from 60.5%	32.2%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	119	Up from 56	83	115
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	18	Down from 22	23	31
Annual dropout rate	2.3%	Down from 2.5%	2.3%	2.3%
Teachers (n = 178)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	54.5%	Down from 59.0%	60.0%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	85.4%	Up from 82.0%	79.3%	79.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.1%	Down from 90.5%	89.9%	90.1%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Up from 94.4%	94.8%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	$46,460	Down 3.4%	$46,503	$47,169
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	1.1%	Up from 0.6%	0.6%	0.1%
Classes not taught by higly qualified teachers	5.6%	Up from 1.5%	5.2%	4.2%
Professional development days/teacher	7.4 days	Down from 11.6 days	12.2 days	11.1 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.5	5.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.8 to 1	Up from 22.6 to 1	20.4 to 1	20.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.2%	Up from 89.1%	89.3%	90.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	$9,647	Up 2.7%	$9,242	$9,403
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	48.5%	Down from 49.0%	51.6%	52.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	50.5%	Up from 50.0%	53.3%	55.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	5	No change	8	9
Portable classrooms	1.0%	Down from 1.9%	0.9%	0.8%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	5.0	No change	7.0	9.0
Parents attending conferences	85.4%	Down from 99.6%	100.0%	100.0%
Average administrator salary	$78,580	Up 1.8%	$80,871	$79,777
Number of charter schools	0	No change	0	0
ESEA composite index score	79.6	Down from 83.3	77.4	79.5

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

**Prior year audited financial data available.

RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	SC PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	ESEA Grade
There are no charter schools in this district.			

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

During the 2013-2014 school year, Laurens County School District 56 achieved excellence, embraced innovation, and forged new traditions. Our mission is to provide the highest quality of education and be an advocate for all students by preparing them for future learning. The district will achieve this mission by supporting a culture of continuous improvement driven by integrity, teamwork, and perseverance.

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