



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Camden High School
KERSHAW COUNTY
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 951
Principal: Daniel H. Matthews
Superintendent: Frank E. Morgan, Ed.D.
Board Chair: Mara H. Jones

PERFORMANCE		Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.					
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	Good	Below Average	TBD	TBD	B	N/A	
2013	Good	Below Average	N/A	SILVER	D	N/A	
2012	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A	

ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*				
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
26	11	2	1	4

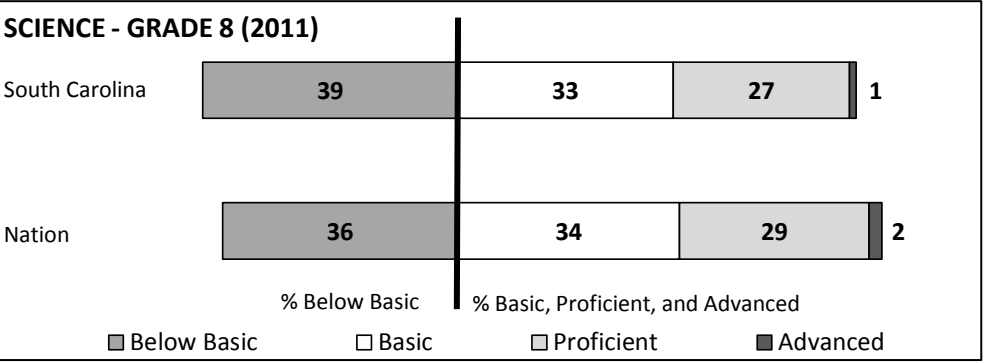
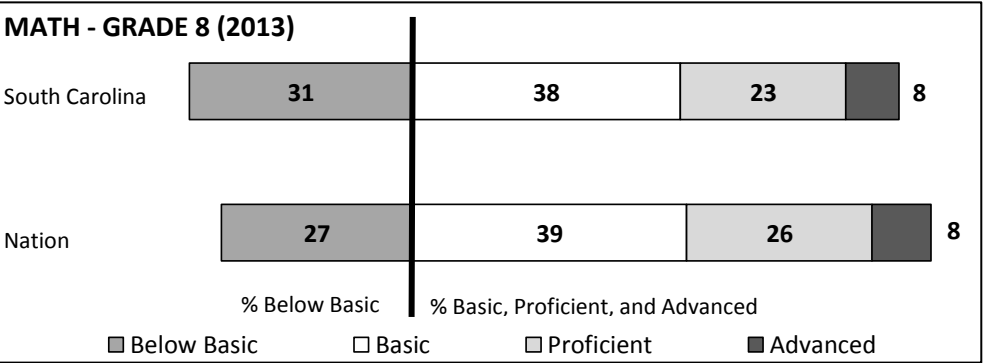
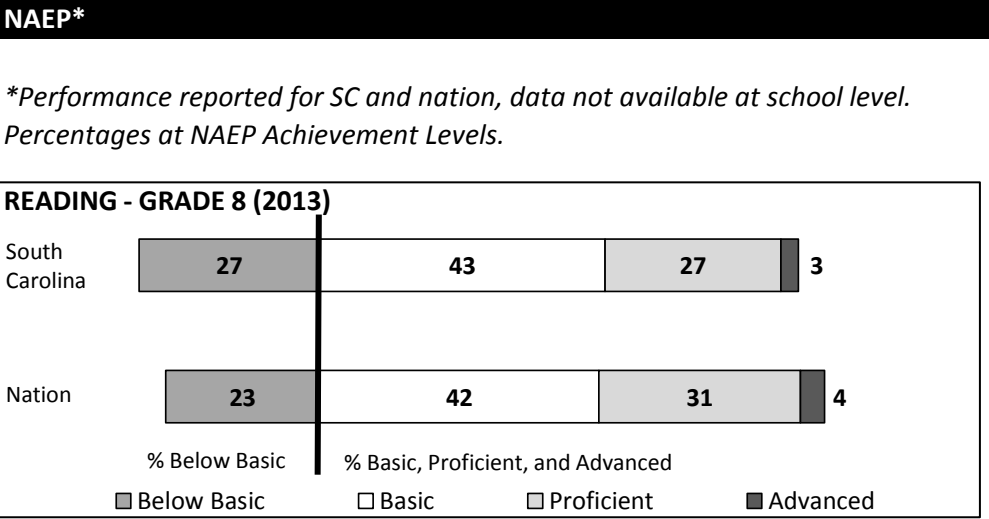
* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS				
	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2013	2014	2013	2014
Passed 2 subtests (%)	81.9%	76.7%	80.8%	75.5%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	11.9%	16.0%	12.2%	16.4%
Passed no subtests (%)	6.2%	7.4%	7.0%	8.3%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014		
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	87.5%	90.4%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE		
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	226	254
Number of diplomas	182	194
Rate (%)	80.5%	75.5%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014		
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	79.0%	81.6%
English 1	69.0%	72.0%
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	81.1%	78.2%
US History and the Constitution	65.3%	63.7%
All Tests	74.6%	73.2%



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

N/A-Not Applicable N/AV-Not Available N/C-Not Collected N/R-Not Reported I/S-Insufficient Sample TBD-To Be Determined

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n = 951)				
Retention Rate	5.5%	Up from 3.6%	2.9%	3.0%
Attendance Rate	96.3%	Up from 95.8%	96.1%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	36.4%	Down from 39.2%	19.6%	17.7%
With disabilities	8.6%	Down from 8.7%	11.7%	11.5%
Older than usual for grade	9.8%	Up from 9.2%	6.8%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.4%	Down from 3.2%	1.1%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	47.2%	Up from 25.6%	18.6%	15.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	43.8%	Down from 49.0%	53.9%	52.8%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	29.3%	Up from 22.8%	33.1%	30.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No change	3.6%	5.3%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	299	Down from 370	465	423
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	74.1%	Down from 79.3%	83.7%	84.5%
Annual dropout rate	1.5%	Up from 0.9%	2.7%	2.1%

Teachers (n = 56)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	66.1%	Up from 60.3%	67.2%	64.3%
Continuing contract teachers	78.6%	Up from 72.4%	82.7%	77.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.9%	Up from 80.6%	88.0%	85.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 96.4%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,919	Up 1.0%	\$49,587	\$48,414
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No change	1.7%	3.0%
Professional development days/teacher	15.5 days	Up from 12.8 days	10.7 days	10.0 days

School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.8	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	29.3 to 1	Down from 30.7 to 1	28.0 to 1	26.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.8%	No change	90.5%	90.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,278	Down 0.4%	\$7,924	\$8,238
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	52.5%	Up from 52.0%	57.0%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	53.5%	Up from 53.0%	59.0%	58.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.3%	Down from 98.9%	98.1%	98.7%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	89.7	Up from 67.7	86.0	84.1

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

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	36	130	21
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.7%	86.1%	81.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.2%	85.4%	72.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.4%	90.7%	68.2%

* 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

At the end of every school year, the School Improvement Council and the administration of Camden High School are charged with writing a report to the community detailing the accomplishments of the school throughout the past year. This has been a year full of great victories and achievements at CHS. Camden High was named the 2013-14 High School winner in the Palmetto’s Finest competition recognizing the best schools in South Carolina. Our First time HSAP test takers improved from 90.2% to 93.8% in English and 83.6% of our Math students scored above standard, an improvement from 77.6% the year before. Our 4 year graduation rate is 90.0% while our five year graduation rate is 91.0%.²

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The 2013/2014 school year has been a year filled with accomplishments and recognition for our faculty, staff, and school:²

-CHS Athletics continued its proud tradition with playoff appearances in volleyball, wrestling, boy’s basketball, baseball, softball, track, and cross country.²

-One CHS senior was selected to be in the incoming class at the Air Force Academy.²

-One Camden High School Senior had the highest ACT score in the school district.²

-For the 6th year in a row, a CHS senior has received the Teaching Fellows scholarship.²

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-Our Academic Booster Club donated 4 scholarships to worthy students. They were able to provide this through strong fundraising efforts and their continued leadership.²

-Our Bulldog Pearls program has welcomed 22 young ladies into its ranks. ²

-Camden High was recognized on the WIS-TV Cool Schools segment.²

-CHS had 12 Palmetto Fellows scholarship winners.²

-The Camden High School family continued their commitment to giving back to our community by performing numerous service learning and fund-raising projects including: over \$10,000 for Relay for Life, over \$22,000 for United Way, \$1500 to the Make-a-Wish Foundation, countless service hours to our community through Adopt-a-Highway, Habitat for Humanity, and others. Bulldogs give back!²

-Our graduating class had 42 Distinguished Honor Graduates, 43 Honor Graduates and 52 SC Academic Honors Medal Recipients. ²

-11 seniors were named to the Upchurch & Jowers All-County Academic Team.²

-Mrs. Rebecca Rundlett was named the CHS Teacher of the Year and the Kershaw County School District Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Kathryn Jones was named the CHS Reading Teacher of the Year.²

-CHS continued its cutting edge work with its Aquaponics lab, increasing student opportunity for hands-on instruction.²

-1 CHS senior was named the WLTX Player of the Week.²

-CHS Students donated over 2000 hours of community service.²

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This has been an exciting year for Camden High School. One of our goals was to be recognized as a leader in secondary education in our state. We continue to take strides towards that goal this year. Our congratulations go out to the partnership between our students, parents, and staff which make Camden High School the great school that