2014 SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blythewood High School
RICHLAND 2
Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 1,666**
Principal: G. Keith Price
Superintendent:
Board Chair:

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	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	A	N/A
2013	Excellent	Excellent	GOLD	GOLD	B	N/A
2012	Excellent	Good	GOLD	N/A	B	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
12	0	0	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.*

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 (%)	85.5%	85.0%	90.6%	87.7%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	8.5%	11.1%	6.7%	9.6%
Passed no subtests (%)	5.9%	3.9%	3.5%	3.7%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.3%	96.2%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

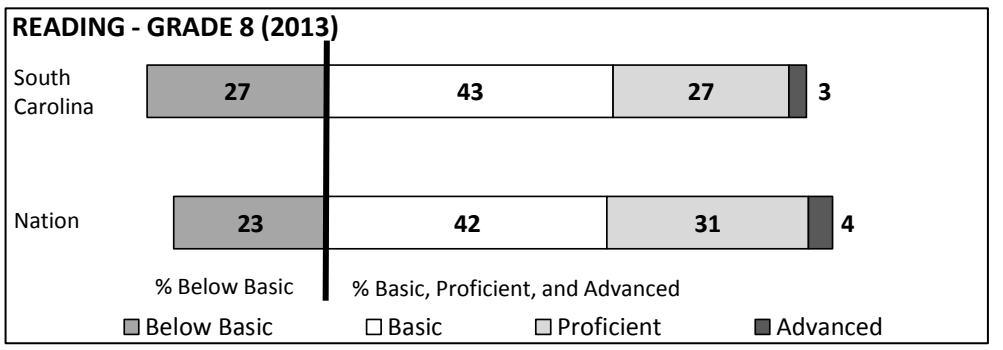
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	400	335
Number of diplomas	352	298
Rate (%)	88.0%	88.9%

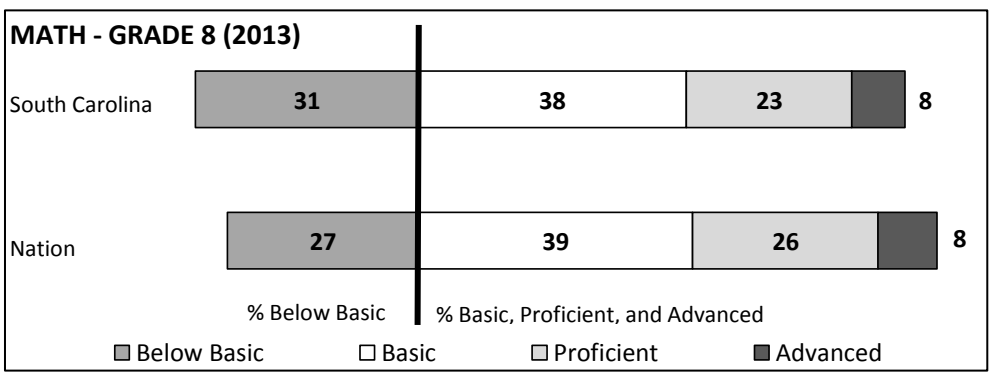
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014

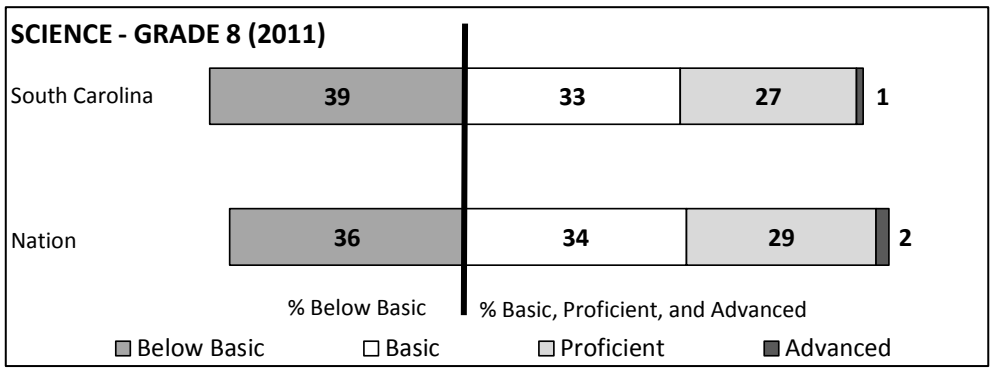
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	86.6%	85.6%
English 1	89.9%	81.9%
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	90.6%	89.2%
US History and the Constitution	79.8%	76.9%
All Tests	87.5%	83.9%

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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RICHLAND 2

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n = 1,666)				
Retention Rate	2.4%	Down from 2.5%	2.2%	3.0%
Attendance Rate	97.9%	Up from 97.5%	95.9%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	25.0%	Up from 22.7%	35.2%	17.7%
With disabilities	9.2%	Down from 9.3%	8.5%	11.5%
Older than usual for grade	3.6%	Up from 3.4%	4.3%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.7%	Down from 3.5%	1.0%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	20.2%	Down from 30.9%	47.1%	15.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	68.1%	Down from 73.0%	57.5%	52.8%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	29.2%	Down from 35.1%	36.8%	30.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	20.0%	Up from 16.6%	0.1%	5.3%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	896	Down from 909	581	423
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	81.4%	Down from 81.9%	89.4%	84.5%
Annual dropout rate	1.0%	Down from 1.3%	1.1%	2.1%
Teachers (n = 99)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	71.7%	Up from 67.0%	68.4%	64.3%
Continuing contract teachers	84.8%	Up from 79.0%	79.6%	77.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	80.7%	Down from 81.0%	87.2%	85.5%
Teacher attendance rate	96.6%	No change	95.6%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	$50,669	Down 2.3%	$50,248	$48,414
Classes not taught by higly qualified teachers	6.8%	Up from 6.3%	2.3%	3.0%
Professional development days/teacher	9.6 days	Down from 9.9 days	9.6 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	30.4 to 1	Down from 31.6 to 1	28.4 to 1	26.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.4%	Up from 92.9%	90.2%	90.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	$7,818	Up 21.5%	$7,802	$8,238
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.7%	Up from 66.0%	59.2%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.0%	Down from 69.0%	59.9%	58.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.0%	Down from 99.4%	98.8%	98.7%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	93.7	Up from 80.9	92.3	84.1

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

**Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	82	307	28
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.1%	75.3%	96.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	96.3%	82.5%	92.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	96.3%	81.8%	78.5%

* 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

For the 2013-2014 school year, Blythewood High School had another banner year. There have been numerous achievements in the 4A's; academics, athletics, activities and the arts.

Blythewood High is a Palmetto Gold winner in general performance and closing the achievement gap. We continue to offer innovative courses to actively engage our students. Project Lead the Way, has been successful showing an increase in student enrollment for engineering courses. The program also had their induction of the Bengals Metal Heads Robotics Team which competed in the Palmetto Regional Robotics Competition. There were two National Merit scholars and one finalist. A student was labeled an outstanding participant of the National Achievement Program. The senior class received over fifteen million dollars in scholarship money.

Blythewood High is the home of four regional champions in the sports of baseball, softball, boys' soccer and boys' golf. One student athlete is now a professional in the long drive tour. We had twelve athletes who have signed athletic scholarships. Blythewood High's athletic department continues to participate in state and regional competitions.

Students have been involved in several community endeavors including the Souper Bowl of Caring, Special Olympics, Match the Marrow, Breast Cancer Awareness, and Chef Turner Memorial. Holiday Wishes continues to be the cornerstone of supporting the community. The Blythewood High staff and students have met or exceeded all goals which support several non-profit organizations. HOSA-Future Health Professionals had ten students place in the state leadership conference. We have had seven students qualify for the Future Business Leaders of America National Leadership Competition. The JROTC Color Guard state champions reside at Blythewood High.

In addition, Blythewood High had a student receive awards in the Regional 2014 Scholastic Arts Competition. The Blue Legion Band had a successful year winning the Lower State Championship and is the state's runner up. This was the induction year for the accaBengals which was successful along with the chorus classes with their Spring Fling concert. Six students have been invited to the SC American Choral Directors Association All-State Honor Choir. The orchestra performed at the state festival and received the highest rating possible.

Blythewood High School had one of the five finalists for state teacher of the year. The principal was named Outstanding Principal of the Year by the South Carolina Association of School Librarians and South Carolina Art Education Association.

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