



SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS TO WATCH MODEL SCHOOL—VISITOR’S GUIDE

School Name



2005-07 School Statistics

(Source: Enter name of data source for stats listed below.)

Community: Suburban/ Rural
Enrollment: 952
Grade Levels: 6 - 8
School Schedule: 7:30-2:25

Student Demographics

4.20% Hispanic
50.53% White
42.96% African American
0.00% African American Indian
0.84% Other
0.42% Asian
0.11% Pacific Islander

28.78% Free/Reduced Lunch
1.89% English Learners

2005 AYP: No
2006 AYP: No
2007 AYP: Yes

Designated in 2008; Redesignated _____

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County Richland • State SC • Principal Nancy J. Gregory
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- 2003 Technology Innovative Program Award**
- 2004 Award of Excellence for Designing Instruction to Improve Teaching and Learning**
- 2006 Palmetto’s Finest**
- 2008 Schools to Watch**

School Characteristics and Replicable Practices

Academic Excellence

- Differentiated Instruction
- UBD Training
- AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination)
- ITEC (Integrating Technology to Enrich Curriculum)
- 6- Trait Writing and Six-Minute Fluency
- Data Analysis
- Honors Classes
- Reading/ Math Enrichment Classes
- ALEKS Lab
- ITI (Integrated Thematic Instruction)
- Saturday Academy – credit recovery
- At Promise Program for comprehensive remediation
- LEAP
- Curriculum Mapping

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Academic Excellence *(continued)*

- Interdisciplinary Instruction
- High School Credit Courses – Algebra, Geometry, French, Spanish and Keyboarding
- GK/12 Science Fellowship Program (Higher Education Partnerships)
- Extensive Technology
- Professional Learning Teams

Developmental Responsiveness

- Lifelong Guidelines/ Procedures
- Communities/ Advisories
- Peer Mediators
- Jumpstart Camp (transition 5th to 6th graders)
- LEAP (transition at-risk rising 6th graders)
- Career Counseling and Planning
- Academic Counseling
- Technology
- DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education)
- Clubs and Student Activities
- Character Education Program/ Life Skills
- Service Learning

Social Equity

- Beyond Limitations Mentoring Program
- Parent University
- Data Analysis
- Single Gender Classes
- Saturday Academy
- AVID
- Diversity Training
- School, Grade, Classroom Procedures

Organizational Support

- Data Analysis
- Shared Leadership
- Community Business Partnerships
- Sustained Staff Development
- Professional Learning Teams
- Strong Parental Involvement (SIC, PTO, Education Foundation)
- Strong communication with parents, community, etc.