

School Achievements

- Excellent Rating on School Report Card 2011
- PTSA District and State Reflections Winners
- State PTSA Teacher of the Year
- Awards for PTSA Electronic Newsletter (eNews)
- Red Carpet School
- National PTA School of Excellence
- Palmetto Silver Award
- All-State, Region, and County Orchestra and Band Winners
- Region and State Awards for Robotics team
- SC Junior Scholars/153 Duke TIP Scholars
- District Visual Arts Awards
- State BETA Club Winners
- District Champions Girls Soccer 2011
- Conference Champions in Volleyball 2011
- Conference Champions in boys and girls Basketball 2011/12
- Conference Champions in boys and girls Soccer 2011
- Softball Conference Champions 2011

Purpose of the Report

“This Report is issued by Beck Academy in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.”

School Programs

- Fine Arts Studies in Art, Chorus, String, and Band
- Art Club
- Yearbook Class
- Gateway to Technology Program
- 72% of teachers with Advanced Degrees
- 3 Staff Members hold National Board Certification
- Guidance Staff provide: S.P.O.T. (Supporting Parents of Teens), Friendship Group (grade 6), STEP UP (Grade 7), Bully Prevention Program (Grade 6), READY SET HIGH SCHOOL (Grade 8), Career Assessment and Activities Program
- Student Mentoring Programs including:
 - Call Me Mister- through Clemson University
 - G.E. Math Enrichment Program
- International Day
- Student Led Conferences
- Community Service Learning
- Beck's Big Event
- Beck Blankets Greenville provides blankets to local shelters
- Beta Club, Student Council, Robotics, Math Counts
- Student Incentive Programs include:
 - Marvelous Mondays, Community and Service Learning, Attendance and Grade Awards, Blue Knight Roundtable, IB Learner of the Month

Beck Academy SIC

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Annual Report to the Community

2011-12



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Beck Academy's Mission

The mission of Beck Academy, an International Baccalaureate School, is to meet the academic needs of our culturally diverse student body in a safe environment that nurtures, accepts and encourages all students to be productive citizens of the global community, life-long learners and future leaders.

Our Annual Goals

Our achievement goals are measured by student achievement on the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS) in English/Language Arts (ELA) and Math. The student scores are reported in three categories: Not Met, Met and Exemplary

1. For the 2011-2012 school year, at least 79.4% of our students will score MET or Exemplary on the Reading and Research portion of PASS.
2. For the 2011-2012 school year, at least 75.7% of our 8th grade students will score MET or Exemplary on the Writing portion of PASS.
3. For the 2011-2012 school year, at least 79% of our students will score MET or Exemplary on the MATH portion of PASS.
4. Maintain a 94% student attendance rate for the 2011-12 school year. Our attendance rate in 2010-2011 was 95.8%
5. Maintain our current return rate of teachers and administration at 95% from 2010-2011 to 2011-2012.
6. Increase the highly qualified status of our teaching staff from 96% to 97% (a 1% increase) from 2010-2011 to 2011-2012.

Student Achievement

In 2011 Beck Academy received an absolute rating of **EXCELLENT** and an improvement rating of **GOOD** on our School Report Card.

We met 28 out of 33 objectives for AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress). This resulted in a Not Met status. We did meet the objective for total school achievement in both math and ELA.

Our percentages of students scoring MET or EXEMPLARY on PASS for 2011 as indicated with adjustment on our School Report Card were:

Math – 83.2%
Reading – 81.9%
Writing – 78.6%
Science – 75.9%
Social Studies – 76.9%

AYP is based on meeting objectives in several areas including a % of students tested on PASS, their performance on the test, and their attendance. This information is broken down by subgroups according to race, gender, free and reduced lunch status, English language proficiency, and disability status. The number of subgroups varies from school to school based on the diversity of the school and amount of students that are in a subgroup.

Currently 36% of our students are on free and reduced lunch status and over 10% of our population is students with disabilities.

“For more information, you may view Beck Academy’s “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov.”

Additional Information

Beck Academy is an International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme School and serves 1130 students. It was the first middle school in South Carolina to become an IB MYP school in 2000. It is a Select Magnet School focusing on International Studies.

Beck moved to a new location on Woodruff Rd. in 2006 and continues to enjoy its state of the art facilities featuring:

- Specifically designed restrooms for orthopedic satellite program
- 7 Science Labs
- Cafetorium
- “Touch” doors making us handicap accessible throughout the school
- Art Studio with kiln room
- Excellent Athletic Fields
- Tennis Courts
- 6 mobile laptop labs
- 2 computer labs
- Promethean Boards in math, science and various other classes
- Band, Choral, and String Rooms

Beck also serves as the Satellite school for the district for its Orthopedic Impaired, Visually Impaired and Hearing Impaired students.

To receive information about Beck Academy on a regular basis, please sign up for our electronic newsletter, eNews by entering your email address into the appropriate field on the front page of the school’s website.
