

School Sponsored, Student Activities & Opportunities

- Student Council
- Beta Club
- Chorus
- Strings
- Band
- FFA
- Release Time
- [Career Awareness](#)
- [Character Education](#)
- Service Learning projects
- Gifted and Talented Program
- Field Day
- School and District Science Fair
- T.I.G.E.R. Talks
- T.I.D.E.S Mentoring
- First Lego League Robotics
- Back Pack Blessings
- MAP Incentives
- Wii Fit Program
- Read Across America

Our School Today

- Currently, 374 students are enrolled
- State of South Carolina School Report Card:
2009 Absolute Rating: Average
2009 Improvement Rating: Average
- Highly Qualified Teachers, 100%
- School Board Representative, Mr. Jim Shelton
- PTO President- Lourie Hooper
- SIC Chair- DeLynne Cox

Dacusville Middle School

Report to Parents



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Principal: Andy Hooker
Assistant Principal: Holley Gaston

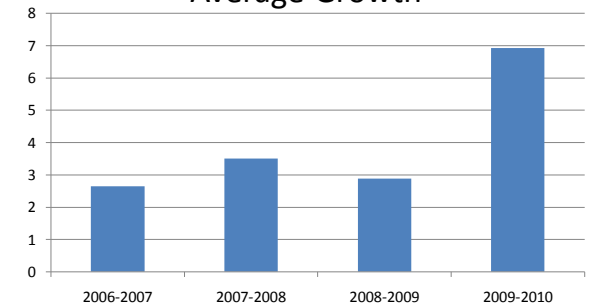
Dacusville Middle School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

The School Summary Report of Act 135 School Renewal Plan is prepared for parents and students enrolled at Dacusville Middle School concerning the activities accomplished during the 2009-2010 school year.

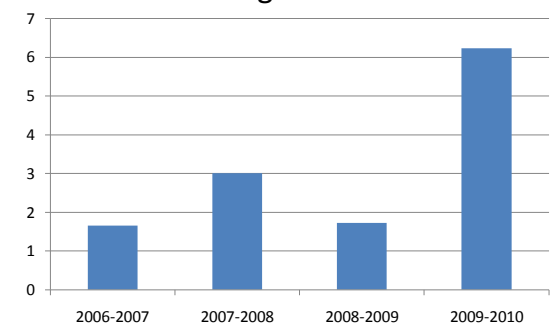
MAP Scores Improve

Our students have shown tremendous growth this year as measured by MAP. Our students have shown more growth this year than in any previous year since the implementation of MAP. We have encouraged and pushed our students to show what they have learned. Our determination to set and meet goals has inspired students, teachers, and administration. This is our greatest area of achievement this year!

Math Growth
DMS 2009-2010
Average Growth



Reading Growth
DMS 2009-2010
Average Growth



Summary of 2009-10 Curriculum

- Classroom instruction enhanced through use of [promethean boards](#)
- Software programs include [Classworks](#)
- [Balanced literacy](#) classrooms
- [Thinking Maps](#) across the curriculum
- Write for the Future Writing Program
- Goal setting for [MAP](#)
- Individual Student Data Conferences
- Celebrations for Meeting MAP goals
- 1 onsite Literacy Specialist

School Environment

- [PBIS](#) (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support)
- 50% reduction in discipline issues
- Focus on student achievement
- Safe Clean Facility

Home-School-Community Connections

- Parent Link phone message system
- Encourage Students by sending home "Purple Cards"
- Phone Blitz to contact every parent
- [School website](#) with grade access for parents
- Classroom and school newsletters
- PTO Open House
- Service Learning Projects
- Pickens High School Teacher Cadet Program
- Easley High School Teacher Cadet Program
- GE grant \$5,000.00

Dacusville Middle School PASS 2009 Percentage of Students Meeting Standard

Writing

- Grade 6 80.0%
- Grade 7 75.4%
- Grade 8 73.6%

ELA

- Grade 6 71.2%
- Grade 7 70.3%
- Grade 8 78.1%

Math

- Grade 6 70.3%
- Grade 7 64.8%
- Grade 8 60.2%

Science

- Grade 6 71.4%
- Grade 7 64.1%
- Grade 8 72.6%

Social Studies

- Grade 6 81.8%
- Grade 7 60.2%
- Grade 8 83.3%

Plans for 2010-11

- Provide [Balanced Literacy](#) in all classrooms
- Continue to use [MAP](#) data to drive instruction
- SSR using [leveled libraries](#) for reading instruction (all grades)
- Research and implement effective [informal and formal assessment](#) in all grades
- Keep current with innovative [technology](#) opportunities
- Expand Parent Nights
- Continue to research, develop and implement components of [PBIS](#)
- Implement Industrial Technology through Paxton Patterson Action Labs
- Offer Computer Applications for 8th grade students
- Offer Creative Writing to all 6th grade students
- Offer Keyboarding to all 6th grade students
- Installation of new Greenhouse on campus
- Installation of new technology throughout the school
- Installation of new bus loop
- Renovation of lobby to provide more safety when entering the school

