

School Report Card Information

School Grade: Unsatisfactory

Improvement Rating: Unsatisfactory

Percentage of students scoring Basic and above on PACT in ELA:

6th 54

7th 56.5

8th 57.9

Percentage of students scoring Basic and above on PACT in Math:

6th 64

7th 61.3

8th 39.6

Beck Academy met 17 of 23 objectives towards the NCLB AYP rating.

Fast Facts:

Student Enrollment:	890
Number of teachers:	58
Type schedule:	7 Period
School Mascot:	Blue Knight
School Motto:	“Attitude is Everything”

School Improvement Council Members:

Amy Brewer, Chair

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BECK ACADEMY

School Improvement Council's

SCHOOL UPDATE

April 30, 2007

- ❖ International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program
- ❖ NPTA Parent Involvement School Of Excellence



Performance Goals

The goals listed below were developed by a faculty committee with suggestions received from the School Improvement Council based on the Education Plan of Greenville County Schools.

Goal 1

Raise the academic challenge and performance for each student, focusing on increasing the percentage of students scoring Basic and above as measured by the PACT.

Update:

- ❖ An exploratory class is part of each student's schedule. This class provides an extra period of each of the four core subjects per week to provide enrichment or tutorial based on student need.
- ❖ An After-School Program is provided. Students were identified based on PACT scores and receive help in English, Math or both depending on need. Transportation is provided for these students.
- ❖ Continued implementation of the School-Wide Optimal Organizational Handbook (SWOOSH) to teach organizational and study skills.
- ❖ Addition of a Math instructional coach and also a District Instructional Facilitator.
- ❖ Robotics and TOY Challenge teams
- ❖ Math mentor program with Fluor Corp
- ❖ Beta Club
- ❖ Junior Achievement
- ❖ MathCounts Team

Goal 2

Ensure quality personnel in all positions.

Update:

- ❖ 87% of the teachers are teaching within their certification area.
- ❖ Teachers are receiving on going Learning-Focus training, brain-based learning and other teaching strategies to improve student achievement.
- ❖ Professional development and training opportunities have been provided to all teachers for delivery of the IBMYP.
- ❖ Implementation of a schedule that allows for common planning time to conference with parents and students, develop interdisciplinary units of instruction, analyze student data and formulate strategies to address student needs.
- ❖ Six staff members with National Board Certification.

Goal 3

Provide a school environment supportive of learning.

Update:

- ❖ Continued implementation of the dress code and 5 – step discipline plan.
- ❖ “Ladies of Distinction” and “Call Me Mister” Programs
- ❖ Student participation in seven athletic teams
- ❖ Youth Court
- ❖ Student Government

BECK “Moves to the Future”

Beck administration, faculty and staff continue to focus on quality instruction, pro-active discipline and positive school climate.

A grant from the state provided funds for additional professional development to address improvement of student achievement. The MAP testing provides diagnostic information on individual student achievement and is being used to target instruction.

The PACT scores for the 05-06 school year showed marked gains in the percentage of students scoring Basic and Above in Math and ELA in grades 6 and 7. Strategies including, daily review of math standards, the use of peer tutors, exploratory classes continue for extension and support, use of PACT Coach books, flexible grouping to address the growth needs of students as indicated by MAP results, reading tutorial classes, use of differentiated instructional strategies and Compass Odyssey have been implemented in an effort to improve test scores.

Academic achievement and improved PACT scores continue to be top priority. The school portfolio and the IB self-study will be used to guide the path of instruction for Beck Academy

Beck Academy faculty and staff, students and parents, began the 06-07 school year in a beautiful new facility. The student population has increased by more than 250 students. The new facility provides classrooms with state of the art technology, science labs, computer labs and new athletic facilities, providing a positive learning environment for our students.

J. Brodie Bricker, Principal