

School Improvement Council 2009

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Mr. Josh Gelinas, SCDC Community
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Ms. Pamela Tompkins, Local Community
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Ms. Jacqueline Venning, Special Programs
Ms. Caren Rose, Lead Teacher
Ms. Maurie Singletary, Teacher
(Chairperson)
Student Representatives, two are appointed on a quarterly basis

SIC Mission

The SIC is an advisory body to the Superintendent that improves student achievement by providing information to stakeholders, and promoting the school's progress in an effort to meet state and district goals.

School Leaders

Allendale	Ms. Margaret McQueen	734-1287
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Trenton	Mr. John Boswell	896-3044
Turbeville	Mr. Alan Parker	896-3178
Tyger River	Mr. Kevin Morrow	896-3725
Walden	Chaplain James Abrams	896-1752
Wateree	Ms. Myra Yeatts	896-3454
Watkins	Mr. Israel Wright	896-8584

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Information within represents the 2009 school year



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Mission Statement

To improve the academic, vocational, and life-skills of offenders assigned to the South Carolina Department of Corrections so that they are better prepared to successfully reenter society when released to the community.

Palmetto Unified School District

During the 2009 school year, Palmetto Unified School District once again attained the Palmetto Gold Award for Excellence with an absolute rating of EXCELLENT and a growth rating of GOOD. As a special school district PUSD is held accountable for three measures of performance effectiveness on the report card.

- Post test gains made on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE)
- Total Number of GED's earned
- Total number of students completing a vocational course

Palmetto Unified School District (PUSD) is comprised of nine high schools for students 17-21 and nineteen adult education programs. The professional staff provide academic and vocational programming to include the SC Diploma, GED, Work Keys, Special Education and over 50 vocational classes to adjudicated adults.



Teacher of the Year 2009

Caren Rose
Sara A. Babb H.S.

Determination beyond comparison



It has been a rewarding time for grants and donations! Palmetto Unified School District has been awarded funds towards a 5-state grant study as well as the 21st Century After School Grant. Furthermore a district-wide graduation standardization is now possible thanks to donations by Jostens.

Palmetto Unified School District continually looks towards the future with confidence and optimism of developing the incarcerated with the freedoms of education and self-improvement.

School District Programs in Action

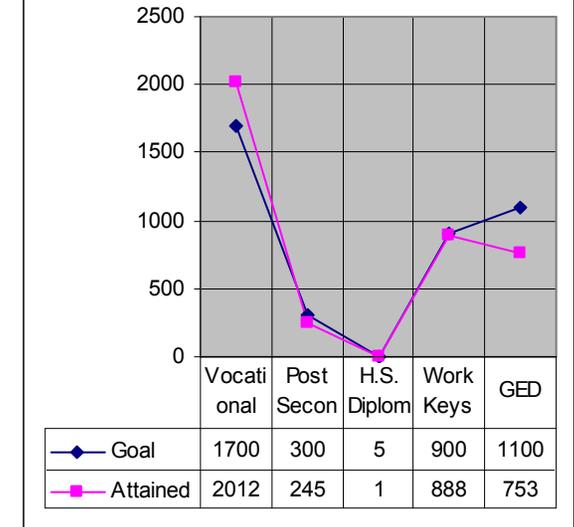
- Over 15 different vocational programs are effectively operating and further expansion is expected during the 2010 school year.
- The credentialing program is a success! This program documents work history and vocational competencies which had previously not been documented as work skills.
- Curriculum standards are being developed and aligned with HSAP (High School Assessment Program), GED and Work Keys to improve instruction.
- A continual goal of the district is to upgrade equipment relative to the changing needs and times. The purchase of the Shop Bot - a carpentry computer machine which digitally accepts specific project data and measurements then graphically designs the image projected onto wood, is indicative of this endeavor.



- In conjunction with the Correctional Education Association and Northstar Correctional Education Services, Palmetto Unified School District was selected to participate in a 5 state grant 3 year research project to determine the effect of correctional education on recidivism.
- The Division of Education has expanded its role in the Impact On Crime program. All Title I instructors teach this class to all students 17-21 as part of the transitional skills curriculum.
- PUSD was awarded the 21st Century After School Grant to reinforce academics and social development.

School District Goals

Awarded Credentials



	2009	Absolute Performance	
PUSD - Absolute Performance			
Pretest-Posttest TABE Gain	0.95	5	(.80 or more)
GED Completion%	82%	5	(81-100)
Career & Technology Completers %	76%	4	(61-80)