



## Schools/Education

# Highlights of the Darlington County School District

The Darlington County School District has the **highest graduation rate in the state**, as ranked by the South Carolina Department of Education for the 2013 annual school and district report cards. The district's graduation rate is 93.4%, compared to the state average of 77.5%.

- The Darlington County School District has the **4th lowest dropout rate** in South Carolina (0.4%), according to the South Carolina Department of Education. When talking about dropout rates, the lower the rates, the fewer the dropouts.
- The Darlington County School District ranks **sixth among the 84 South Carolina school districts in terms of academic achievement**, according to the annual report card ratings issued by the South Carolina Department of Education.
- In every high school in our district, **more than nine out of every ten high school freshmen will graduate in four years**, according to the South Carolina Department of Education. Mayo High School for Math, Science & has a 100% graduation rate.
- **More children are reading at or above grade level by grade three**, thanks to the efforts of our primary schools (grades K-2). Reading at or above grade level by third grade ensures children have a better chance of success later in school.
- Of the 22 schools in the district, **nine schools and the school district have received the highest rating of "Excellent"** on the 2013 annual report cards issued by the South Carolina Department of Education.
- **96% of DCSD schools are rated "Average" or higher** on the 2013 annual report cards from the South Carolina Department of Education. Rosenwald Elementary/Middle School is ranked Average for the elementary portion of the school and Below Average for the middle school portion of the school.



## Darlington Area Schools:

- Brockington Elementary Magnet
- Brunson-Dargan Elementary
- Cain Elementary
- Darlington County Institute of Technology
- Darlington High School
- Darlington Middle School
- Mayo High School for Science, Math, & Technology



## Mayo High School for Math, Science & Technology

**Mayo is a magnet school for the Darlington County School District. Students must apply, qualify, and then be selected by a lottery process. The mission of Mayo High School for Math, Science & Technology is to achieve excellence through a challenging curriculum with high expectations in a safe, positive environment to develop future leaders.**

**Mayo High School is ranked #6 for SC schools by US News and World Report- Silver Award and in the top 5% of 21,000 high schools in the nation.**



# Darlington County Institute of Technology

## Beliefs

- Education is a total community responsibility.
- The quality of education is directly affected by the partnership of home, school, and community.
- Success in business and industry requires that students possess marketable skills.
- An interactive environment is fundamental to student learning and comprehension.

## Departments/Programs of Study:

- Agriculture Mechanics/Horticulture
- Automotive Collision Repair
- Automotive Technology
- Business Management
- Career Guidance
- Carpentry/Cabinetmaking
- Engineering
- Health Science Technology
- Machine Tool Technology
- Welding
- Electricity/Mechatronics
- Graphic Communications
- Information Technology
- Marketing

