

Principal

## Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School

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To: BEHS Students and Parents From: Dennis R. Ulmer, Principal

Re: 2017-2018 SC Report to the Community

Dear Parents/Guardians:

## Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School has had another great year!

Financial cuts have continued to negatively impact BEHS, but the dedicated staff here at BEHS has continued to work diligently to produce students who exhibit the characteristics defined by the Profile of a South Carolina Graduate.

Even though Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School has had to make cuts, we continue to expand our course offerings in our Career and Technical Education Department. BEHS' students currently have opportunities to complete programs of study in Business Information Management, Culinary Arts, and Family and Consumer Science. Students have the opportunity to attend Cope Area Career Center and complete programs of study in Health Science, Law Enforcement, Automotive Technology, Cosmetology, Early Childhood Education, Project Lead the Way, and Welding Technology. The 2018-2019 school year will see an Agriculture program offered as well.

Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School offers dual enrollment courses in conjunction with Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College, Denmark Technical College and USC Salkehatchie. The Dual Enrollment program allows eligible high school students to earn both high school and college credits by successfully completing college courses. Courses such as English 101/102, Math 120, Biology 101/102 and Project Lead the Way are offered on our campus and at Cope Area Career Center. BEHS also currently offers Advanced Placement Calculus.

The most current information regarding student achievement is for the 2017-2018 school year. The Average SAT for that school year was 1070. BEHS' average ACT was 15.9. The graduation rate increased from 83.7% to 88.6% and the student attendance rate also increased to 95.3%. Other pertinent information would include the poverty rate increased from 64.7% to 66.3% and Bamberg Ehrhardt High School had a student population of 420.

Extra-curricular activities have also had a great year. The Red Raider Regiment finished 8<sup>th</sup> place in the State Band Championship and earned a Superior Rating at the State Concert Performance

Assessment. The Red Raider Wrestling Team won a State Championship and our football team won a Lower State Championship and competed for a state-championship. Our wrestling team, football team, cross-country team, boys' varsity basketball team, soccer team, track and field, baseball team and girls' softball all made the play-offs.

This report is issued by the Bamberg Ehrhardt High School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting our goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year. Contact information for the SIC members is available in the school office.

Sincerely,

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Dennis R Ulmer,

Principal