

BEARCAT P.R.I.D.E

"STRIVE TO EXCEL...NOT TO EQUAL!"

P.R.I.D.E in Academics

15 students graduated with highest honors, 23 honor graduates, 5 Academic South Carolina Honor Award graduates, 16 IB Diploma candidates, 90 Gold Seal Recipients and there were \$ 8,886,978 scholarships awarded.

P.R.I.D.E in Arts

The Rock Hill High School Drama Department placed 5th at the South Carolina Theatre Association's Secondary Festival. Two members of the Theatre Department were part of the All-Star Cast. The Department also received 2 Superior ratings at the Palmetto Dramatic Association/South Carolina Thespian Festival.

The Rock Hill High School Band of Distinction was named Overall Grand Champions at Boiling Springs Tournament of Bands, Overall Grand Champions at Blythewood Tournament of Bands, 2nd overall at 4A Upper State and 3rd overall at 4A State.

Rock Hill High's Chorus Program received superior ratings at Festival Disney and the South Carolina Choral Festival, 3rd place at the South Carolina 4-A Choral Festival, 7 members were named to the South Carolina American Choral Directors Association Honors Choir, 19 members were named to the South Carolina All State Chorus, 5 members were named to the Southern Division of American Choral Directors Association Honors Choir.

The Orchestra Department of Rock Hill High had 4 students selected for the Region 1 Honors Orchestra, 3 students were selected to perform as members of the Union Symphony Youth Orchestra, 1 student was named the Charlotte area's top student musician of the year by the Union Symphony Guild, 3 students were invited to perform as members of the Winthrop University Orchestra, The Chamber Orchestra and the Concert Orchestra participated in the SCMEA Orchestra Division's 2012 Concert Festival, earning excellent ratings.

The Visual Arts Department received 4 individual awards at the 5th District Congressional Arts Awards, one 3rd place award at the State Fair and, 1 Honorable mention at the York County Teacher's Choice.

P.R.I.D.E in Athletics

Rock Hill High Athletics had 24 SCHSL Scholar Athletes. These Seniors earned a 3.5 or above GPA and lettered in a varsity sport, 2 Region Champions; 1 in Volleyball and 1 in Wrestling, 6 All State Athletes representing Volleyball, Cross-Country and Wrestling, 3 All-Star Game Participants represented in the Shrine Bowl Football Game, North/South Wrestling, and North/South Boys Soccer, 45 All-Region Athletes, 2 Region Players of the Year representing Wrestling and Baseball.

SIC MEMBERS

Teachers:

Haley Barts	Keith Cottrell
Joey Fowler	Patrick Grimsley
Jennifer Molnar	Andrew Puzzio
Andrew Williams	Caroline Yetman

Students:

Halen Bremer	Zachary Faulkenberry
Sarah Hicklin	Sara Moss
Lashantay Moyer	Noelle McCullough
Vivek Patel	Justin Stokes

Parents:

Laura Ball	Marcia Burnette
Sue Gullede	Sandra Lowrance

Community:

Randy Barfield	Dilip Patel
Jeff Treichler	

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Purpose of the Report

"This Report is issued by the Rock Hill High School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year."

ROCK HILL HIGH SCHOOL



ANNUAL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

"REPORT TO THE PARENTS" 2012 - 13



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Mission Statement

The Rock Hill High School community works to provide a safe, supportive, and challenging learning environment in which each student chooses a unique path to success in a global society.

SIC Annual Goals

Retention and Graduation: *The faculty and staff at RHHS will reduce 9th Grade Retention rate to 7.0% and increase the Graduation rate to 75.92%.*

- Advisory Assignment
- Utilize Content/Credit Recovery
- Utilize RTI “Bearcat” Time
- Better recording/tracking of 9GR

Preparing learners for College or Work:

Common core standards for all staves have been developed to better prepare students for college and work after high school. The staff at RHHS must develop the capacity to instruct all students with these new standards using 21st century technology.

- Training for implementing Common Core
- Weekly department meetings on Common Core
- Weekly department meetings on delivering quality instruction
- Five classroom sets of iPads for teacher cohort

Positive Environment: *RHHS will implement the Positive Behavioral Interventions & Support Model to improve school climate. This will improve & increase time on task in class, school safety, and behavior, home to school relations, teacher & student morale, attendance of school & tutoring.*

- Professional development on PBIS training
- School wide Behavior Expectation Matrix
- Positive referrals “Bearcat BUCKS”
- Incentive parties for attendance
- Identify at-risk students for mentorships

Student Achievement

South Carolina School Report Card Ratings

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2012	Good	Below Average*
2011	Excellent	Below Average
2010	Good	At-Risk

*The School’s 2012 Growth Rating was raised one level because of substantial improvement in the achievement of students belonging to historically underachieving groups of students. The Growth Rating may or may not have been affected by the performance of these groups in prior years.

State End-of-Course(EOC) Examinations

The examinations, which count 20 percent of the students’ final grade in each gateway or benchmark course, currently include Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2, English 1, Biology 1/Applied Biology 2, US History and the Constitution. RHHS 2012 EOC scores indicate that students had a passage rate of 80.0% in Algebra 1/Tech 2(state 77.7%); 66.6% English 1(state 72.6%); 72.1% in Biology 1/Applied 2 (state 79.3%); and 57.2% in US History (state 54.4%). Strategies for continued improvement on EOC scores will be included in the School Improvement Plan.

High School Assessment Program (HSAP)

On the state’s exit exam, RHHS’s tenth graders’ average score on both English Language Arts and Mathematics is 93.7% (state 93.5%). Strategies for continued improvement on HSAP scores will be included in the School Improvement Plan.

SAT

RHHS was awarded Cum Laude for SAT Excellent Performance. Seniors in the 2012 graduation class who took the SAT scored an average composite score in critical reading and math.

“For more information, you may view Rock High School “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov.”

Additional Information

PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions & Support)

Currently we have issued 2177 Bearcat BUCKS to 1151 of our 1920 enrolled students. 59.9 % of enrolled students have received 1 or more Bearcat BUCKS.

As of now:

- 326 Freshmen have received BUCKS
- 295 Sophomores have received BUCKS
- 301 Juniors have received BUCKS
- 229 Seniors have received BUCKS

Our Bearcat BUCKS “Positive Referrals” outweigh the negative referrals when we focus on the areas of Defiance, Disruptive Behaviors, and Disrespect to Admin/Staff.

Attendance Celebrations – Each nine weeks we recognize students we celebrate students having 0 absences or all document attendance.

RHHS continues to see a decline in the number of tardies issued to students.