

BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 45

Education – The Key to Our Future

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Barnwell School District 45 is proud of the accomplishments of our district. This was made possible by our outstanding faculty and staff. All employees in our district strive to provide rigorous and challenging opportunities for our students. Barnwell is governed by a five-member Board of Trustees elected for three-year terms.

We achieved District Accreditation by AdvancED.

We have updated our five year strategic plan and begun a multi-year project to upgrade facilities. Our facilities are clean, well maintained and equipped to support any modern education programs.

We offer teacher salaries that are among the highest in the state.

Students in each school benefit from services contributed by community volunteers, businesses, and industries. Each school is adopted by local businesses and industries.

For 20 consecutive years, Barnwell Schools has met all Standards of Quality which evaluate a district's performance in achievement test results, accreditation deficiencies, drop-out rates, student and staff attendance. These standards are set each year by the South Carolina State Board of Education.

Parents and community members have opportunities for active involvement in Barnwell Schools through School Improvement Councils, Scarlet Knights Band Boosters Club, and the Warhorse Booster Club.

Citizens in Barnwell School District 45 who are retired or who are 65 or older may receive a *GOLDEN PASS*. The pass allows free admission to home athletic events and other activities.

Art, music, and physical education are taught in all schools of the district.

Psychological and health services are supplied by professional personnel. Students are screened for speech and hearing.

There are over 1,000 computers in the district that are used to assist with instruction and administration.

School Lunch Program: 4 cafeterias serve an average of 1900 lunches and 750 breakfasts daily.

The mission of Barnwell Schools is to provide challenging, appropriately-focused educational opportunities for our children in a safe and nurturing school environment.

Barnwell High School

474 Jackson Street Barnwell, SC 298 Principal: Jon Burdge

Guinyard-Butler Middle School

779 Allen Street Barnwell, SC 29812 Principal: Seneca Baines

Barnwell Elementary School

10524 Marlboro Avenue Barnwell, SC 29812 Principal: Jackie Sease

Barnwell Primary School

734 Hagood Avenue Barnwell, SC 29812 Principal: Donna Selvey

Barnwell School District Office

770 Hagood Avenue Barnwell, SC 29812

Strategic Plan

Goal #1 – **Student Achievement:** By the end of the 2011-12 academic year, the results on statewide assessments will show an increase of 3% in student achievement as measured by statewide assessments in grades K-12.

Goal #2 – Teacher Quality: 1) The number of the core academic subject area teachers that are highly qualified as defined by the NCLB will be 100% by the beginning of the 2011-2012 academic year. 2) The number of teachers that will be proficient in technology by their next certificate renewal period will be 100% by the end of the 2011-12 academic year. 3) The number of teachers receiving a judgment of "competent" on ADEPT evaluations will be 100% by the end of the 2011-12 school year.

Goal #3 – School Climate: The percentage of our students, teachers and parents satisfied with the Learning Environment, Home School Relations, and Social Physical Environment will increase on an average to 92%.



BARNWELL HIGH SCHOOL

Jon Burdge, Principal, Barnwell High School Vicki Carter-Blocker, SIC Chairperson, Barnwell High School

This report to the People is for you the parents, patrons, and the community supporters of Barnwell High School. Throughout the report you will see the progress made by faculty, staff, and students toward meeting the ambitious goals that we have established for our school. It is our belief that we will continue to improve as long as we work together with our students as our focus. We wish to provide the very best possible educational experience for your children. You are an important part of the success that we enjoy. Thank you for your valuable support.

Major Accomplishments for 2011-2012 School Year

- Our senior class of 2012 earned in excess of \$2,081,474.00 in scholarships.
- In 2012, fifty-three seniors earned Enhanced Diplomas.
- Six Barnwell High School seniors earned the President's Education Award based on PSAT scores.
- Barnwell High School continued to partner with the Southern Regional Education Board and the State Department of Education in the <u>High Schools That Work</u> initiative.
- Approximately 55 Barnwell High School students and community members volunteered their time during the 2011-12 school year to mentor students at Barnwell Primary, Barnwell Elementary, and Guinyard-Butler Middle School. The mentors offer love, encouragement, and advice to help students feel better about themselves and have a greater chance to experience success in their lives.
- The Barnwell High School JROTC was designated as Junior ROTC "Honor Unit with Distinction" during the 2011-2012 school year. The Department of the Army presents this award only to the Junior ROTC units that maintain an exceptionally high standard of performance.
- Two Barnwell High School seniors were named South Carolina Palmetto Fellows and each received scholarships for approximately \$53,600 (\$6,700 annually) to attend a college in South Carolina. Eligibility requirements include at least 1200 on SAT or 27 on ACT, a 3.5 GPA, and rank in the top six percent of their class.
- Twenty-five students were recipients of the South Carolina fouryear Life Scholarship for approximately \$500,000 (\$5,000 annually) to attend a four year college or university in South Carolina.
- Forty students were recipients of the South Carolina two-year Life Scholarship for approximately \$400,000 (\$5,000 annually) to attend a two year college in South Carolina.
- Thirty-one students were recipients of the South Carolina Lottery Tuition for approximately \$55,800 (\$900 annually).
- Ten students were recipients of the South Carolina HOPE Scholarship for approximately \$28,000 (\$2,800 annually).
- One Barnwell High School student is enrolled in the residential South Carolina Governor's School of Science and Math.
- Seventeen seniors were recognized by the SC High School League as scholar athletes.
- One Barnwell High School student attended the Hugh O'Brian Leadership Seminar.
- The 2012 graduating class of Barnwell High School had eighteen honor graduates.
- Two graduating seniors received the South Carolina Academic Achievement Honors Award.
- Two students attended Girls State.

- Two students won the Wendy's High School Heisman Award.
- The "Scarlet Knights" Marching Band earned an excellent rating in the USC-Aiken Concert Festival.
- The "Scarlet Knights" Marching Band earned excellent ratings in competitions at Midland Valley and North Augusta High Schools.
- Several Band members were selected to participate in the Edisto Conference Honor Band.
- Barnwell High School had six students to sign to play collegiate athletics
- The Debate team won total of forty trophies during competitions for the 2011-12 school year.
- Thirteen students were inducted into the National Honor Society.
- One student was named a State 4-H winner and attended the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta. The selection for this honor was based on past project work, leadership, and service. The student also received a \$500 college scholarship.
- Four male soccer players were selected to All Region team and one player was selected to the North South team.
- Eighty-six students were inducted into the Beta Club.
- Four male athletes made All State by the High School Sports Report in the following sports: football, baseball, and basketball.
- One male soccer player made All State by the Coach's Association.
- One cheerleader cheered in London during Christmas Break.
- One cheerleader made the Cheer Squad on the collegiate level.
- One student competed in state singles tournament (for the 3rd year in a row) for tennis.
- The following teams made it to the play offs: football, volleyball, baseball, boys' tennis, girls' soccer, boys' soccer, and softball.
- Golf team competed at the state level tournament.
- Three students were three Sport Lettermen.
- Twenty-three student athletes made All Region in the following sports: baseball, basketball, football, golf, soccer, softball, tennis, and volleyball.





Guinvard-Butler Middle School

Senaca J. Baines, Principal

Ms. Deborah Coleman, Chair GBMS School Improvement Council

As Principal of Guinyard-Butler Middle School in Barnwell School District 45, my vision for GBMS is to continue improvement of student achievement, classroom behavior, instructional delivery and access to technology. It is my educational philosophy that all students can learn and it is our job as educators, parents, and community members to insure that all students are able to achieve academic success.

GBMS Major Accomplishments

GBMS had:

- ➤ 4 Junior Scholars students and 1 Duke Scholar
- 23 eighth grade students enrolled in Algebra I and 25 eighth grade students enrolled in English I.
- Jr. Beta Club activities and projects included: attending the Jr. Beta Club convention in Myrtle Beach, operating the concession stand for home basketball games and inducted 38 new members with 66 total members
- Student Council activities and projects included: 1) Honoring teachers
 during Teacher Appreciation Week and American Education Week, 2)
 Entering the Homecoming Parade, 3) Sponsoring the Miss GBMS
 Pageant, 4) working on GBMS Beautification, 5) coordinating Red
 Ribbon Week and Spirit Week
- Students and staff participated in Pennies for Patients, Wounded Warrior, and Relay for Life fundraising events
- Excellent athletic seasons in which many students participated in middle school and high school level sports
- ➤ Band program which served approximately 49 students
- School wide spelling bee was held. School winner participated in the Regional Spelling Bee in Allendale, SC.
- 7th & 8th grade students participated in the Science Fair. School winners participated in the regional Science Fair in Aiken, SC
- Students participated in the Science Day program (presenters working in science-related fields such as engineers from SRS and Kimberly-Clark as well as the WRDW meteorologist came to the school to present various hands-on science lessons)
- Students completed a "Writing Across the Curriculum" assignment for every core class to reinforce content specific writing skills.
- GBMS drama team presented two performances "Just Another Middle School Musical" and "Parents Just Don't Understand"
- Warpony Pride Passes were given out for good behavior, good grades, and good citizenship. Pride Pass Parties were held each 9 weeks for students who earned enough to attend.
- Participated in the Well Dressed Wednesday

GBMS Faculty:

- Constructed departmental generated pacing guides.
- Proctored and utilized benchmark data to drive instruction
- Sponsored Meet and Greet before school started
- Held Fall and Winter Open House
- Sponsored Spaghetti Night
- Sponsored the Veteran's Day Program
- ➤ Held School Improvement Council meetings
- Selected Kathy Furtick as GBMS Teacher of the Year for the 2011-12 school year
- Participated in various professional development activities such as the "Mindsets" book study
- Created Data Room to analyze student achievement
- Continued training for Common Core Standards transition
- Participated in the Third Thursday event to promote SIC attendance
- Utilized Plato software as a means of providing students with enrichment and remediation
- Submitted nominees to be recognized as "Students of the Month"
- Monthly newsletters sent home

Barnwell Elementary School

Jackie Sease, Principal

Mindy Flanigan, Chair BES School Improvement Council

Barnwell Elementary School is continuously striving to reach goals established for BES. The faculty and staff are dedicated to improving student achievement and fostering positive relationships with the parents and community. BES continues to:

Dream It, Believe It, Achieve It!

- Meet and Greet was held at the beginning of the school year.
- 4th grade students participated in Safety City.
- 4th grade students participated in G.R.E.A.T.
- ► 4th grade students participated in Read Across America.
- ➤ 4th grade TAG attended Earthshine.
- > 5th grade students attended the 3 day field study at Barrier Island.
- 5th grade classes went to Ruth Patrick Science and Education Center.
- > 5th grade held a Science Day.
- > 5th grade went to see *The Diary of Anne Frank* at the Imperial Theater.
- ➤ 5th grade implemented the S.T.A.R.S. program.
- > 5th grade students participated in D.A.R.E.
- A 5th grade student won the school Spelling Bee and participated in the Regional Bee.
- ▶ 6th grade participated in Career Day.
- Several 6th grade classes performed in a musical based upon their research project.
- 6th grade students went on an Archeology and Navigation field study.
- 6th grade students attended an Animal Adaptations and Circuit City field study.
- ► 6th grade students visited the Savannah River Ecology Lab.
- ► 6th grade had a guest speaker for the unit on electricity.
- > 6th grade TAG students attended the Ebeneezer Retreat.
- 6th grade TAG students competed for the first time in the Future City Competition. They ranked 15th.
- Several 6th grade students are on the Barnwell Robotics Team. The team placed second in one part of the competition this year.
- Thirty-nine 6th grade band students attended the Edisto Conference.
- Forty-six 6th grade band students will attend the Carowinds Festival of Music in May.
- During the year, two classes attended the Orangeburg County Fair, Halloween with a Heart in Augusta, Disney on Ice at the James Brown Arena in Augusta, as well as visited the Augusta Mall.
- The chorus and band had outstanding performances.
- Students participated in Accelerated Reader Incentive programs sponsored by the Media Center.
- Sixty-four students qualified for Duke TIP (Talented Identification Program).
- Thirty sixth graders were nominated for iTEAMS, a tech savvy summer camp through the SC Governor's School for Science and Mathematics.
- > Students participated in the Spelling Bee.
- ➤ The First Annual Miss B.E.S. pageant was held.
- PTO sponsored family BINGO night.
- A fall carnival was held.
- Two fundraisers were held to purchase books for the library.
- Fall and spring book fairs were held.
- Awards Day was held at the end of each semester.
- Students continue to use Study Island.
- ➤ B.E.S. participated in Pennies for Patients and Math-a-thon.
- Mrs. Ward was the BES Teacher of the Year.
- Three teachers were selected to attend the Roper Mountain Science Center.



Barnwell Primary School "Home of the Cool Colts"

Donna Selvey, Principal Missy Barker, Chair of School Improvement Council

The mission of Barnwell Primary School, in partnership with students, teachers and parents, is to develop an atmosphere of academically high standards, student-centered instruction, and positive collaboration among all stakeholders. Our ultimate goal remains to allow each child to reach his/her full potential and instill in them a lifelong love for learning.

BPS School Happenings

- We are in partnership with the Save the Children Foundation to provide Reading Intervention for 60 students. We also have a Early Steps to School Success Early Childhood Coordinator who serves 20 children ages 0-2 and 40 students through the Raising the Reader Program.
- Student award programs were held during the school year to recognize academic success, academic improvement, perfect attendance, and character education/citizenship of our students.
- First through Third Grade Students participated in music programs for students, parents and community.
- We have a very active Parent Volunteer and Mentor Program and active Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program.
- Barnwell High School juniors and seniors served as mentors to assist students with reading and math.
- We provided community service projects such as: recycling aluminum cans and ink cartridges, collecting cell phones and box tops, providing can food drive for needy families in the community, and participating in Pennies for Patients and Jump Rope for Heart.
- > The Math and Reading Intervention Programs target at-risk students to help them achieve grade-level standards.
- The Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports program was continued to reduce the number of office referrals through more positive approaches to discipline. Students received rewards at the Cool Colt Corral throughout the year for good behavior.
- The school guidance counselor continued the implementation of character education and conflict resolution programs in the classrooms, one-on-one and group sessions.
- ➤ Title I Staff Development funds were used to provide on-going professional development on the Common Core State Standards. Full implementation of the CCSS began in 2011-12 school year for kindergarten and first grades. In 2012-13 it was expanded to second and third grades.
- Paige Bedengfield was selected as the 2011-2012 BPS Teacher of the Year.

STUDENTS AND STAFF (2012-2013)

(2012-2013)					
		Employees			
School	Enrollment	Certificated	Non- Certificated		
BHS Grades 9-12	666	48	28		
GBMS Grades 7-8	385	28	47		
BES Grades 4-6	572	41	20		
BPS Pre-Kindergarten- Grade 3	794	64	46		
District Office	N/A	7	12		
Alternative School	N/A*	1	1		

Barnwell School District 45 employs 189 certificated persons. The total staff is 399 including district office staff, food service staff, bus drivers, and substitute teachers.

2010-2011 PASS Results Percent of Students which Met Standard

Writing

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	n/a	n/a	62.6	n/a	n/a	64.4

English-Language Arts (Reading and Research)

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Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	60.4	63.1	68.4	42.4	57.7	58.4

Mathematics

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	52.7	61.3	65.8	47.3	50.0	43.6

Science

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8	
B45	37.2	49.5	58.8	33.3	47.6	57.4	

Social Studies

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Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	53.9	58.8	54.8	48.5	51.2	49.5

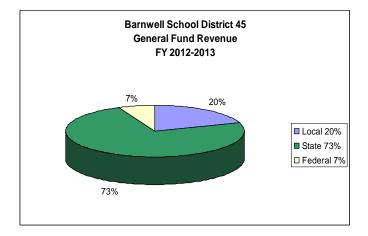
SAT

	Composite Score
BHS	1418*
SC	1422*
USA	1477*

*The composite score is an average of the Critical Reading, Math and Writing portion of the test. ACT

	Composite Score
BHS	19.3*
SC	19.9*
USA	21.1*

*The composite score is an average of the English, Math, Reading, and Science portions of the test.





^{*}Students are counted in BHS or GBMS enrollment.