



## 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 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 29812  
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: Leisa Clamp

**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 2010-2011 School Year

- Our senior class of 2011 earned in excess of \$2,990,987.00 in scholarships.
- In 2011, twenty-nine seniors earned Enhanced Diplomas.
- Eight Barnwell High School seniors earned the President's Education Award based on PSAT scores.
- BHS Trivia Bowl team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the USC Salkehatchie High School Bowl.
- Barnwell High School continued to partner with the Southern Regional Education Board and the State Department of Education in the High Schools That Work initiative.
- Approximately 30 Barnwell High School students and community members volunteered their time during the 2010-11 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 2010-2011 school year. The Department of the Army presents this award only to the Junior ROTC units that maintain an exceptionally high standard of performance.
- The Army JROTC Academic Team competed in the National Academic Bowl on the campus of George Mason University in Washington, D.C. The competition involved two rounds of competitive on-line play against thousands of JROTC students from across the world in order to win a slot in the championship. Our team was one of only 24 in the nation to advance to the finals in DC, and this selection placed us in the top 2% of all JROTC programs.
- Four Barnwell High School seniors were named South Carolina Palmetto Fellows and each received scholarships for approximately \$26,800 (\$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-one students were recipients of the South Carolina four year Life Scholarship for approximately \$105,000 (\$5,000 annually) to attend a four year college or university in South Carolina.
- Twelve students were recipients of the South Carolina two-year Life Scholarship for approximately \$40,560 (\$3,380 annually) to attend a two year college in South Carolina.
- Fifty-four students were recipients of the South Carolina Lottery Tuition for approximately \$50,544 (\$936 annually).
- Seven students were recipients of the South Carolina HOPE Scholarship for approximately \$18,550 (\$2,650 annually).
- One Barnwell High School student is enrolled in the residential South Carolina Governor's School of Science and Math.

- Fifteen seniors were recognized by the SC High School League as scholar athletes.
- Two Barnwell High School students attended the Hugh O'Brian Leadership Seminar.
- Through the National Merit Scholarship Program, Barnwell High produced one 2009 National Merit Commended Student from the 2011 graduating senior class. The student placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who took the 2009 Preliminary SAT (PSAT).
- The 2011 graduating class of Barnwell High School had four honor graduates.
- Two Barnwell High School juniors were named Furman Scholars.
- Two graduating seniors received the South Carolina Academic Achievement Honors Award.
- Nine students attended Boys and Girls State.
- Two students won the Wendy's High School Heisman Award.
- The "Scarlet Knights" Marching Band earned an excellent rating for Marching Band at Bands Across the Savannah.
- The Varsity Girls Softball Team are Region Champions, District 5 Champions, and Lower State Champions.
- Barnwell High School had one student to sign to play ball on the collegiate level in softball.
- Barnwell High School had an 18.6 composite score on the ACT.
- Barnwell High School Cheerleading Squad received the "Most Spirited Squad" award.
- Five cheerleaders were named All-American.
- The Debate team won total of twenty trophies during competitions for the 2010-11 school year.
- Twenty 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 boys soccer players were selected to All Region team and one player selected to the North South team.
- The girls cross country team qualified for the state meet.
- One track team member qualified for state and placed second place in the state for discus and fourth in the shot.
- One track team member qualified for state and placed seventh in the state for discus and was also named all region champions in the discus.
- One member of the girl's tennis team was named "All Region".
- Two members of the boy's tennis team were named "All Region".
- A student was honored by WJBF Channel 6 in Augusta as Scholar Athlete of the Week.
- A student served as state president of the HOSA organization



## Guinyard-Butler Middle School

Seneca 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:

- 13 Junior Scholars students
- An Art class was offered this year to all students
- 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 33 new members.
- Students participated in the Lt. Governor's Essay Contest and Soil and Water Conservation Essay Contest
- 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 participate in Pennies for Patients
- Excellent athletic seasons in which many students participated in middle school and high school level sports
- Band program which served approximately 28 students
- School wide spelling bee was held. School winner participated in the Regional Spelling Bee in Allendale, SC and moved on to the National Spelling Bee in Washington, DC
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in the Science Fair. School winners participated in the regional Science Fair in Aiken, SC
- Charity Talent Show was held to raise money for needy families within our community
- 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.
- Monthly newsletters sent home

#### GBMS Faculty:

- Continued to implement the Barnwell 45 Curriculum.
- Continued with our Single Gender program in 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- Sponsored Meet and Greet before school started
- Held Fall and Winter Open House
- Sponsored Art and Spaghetti Night
- Held School Improvement Council meetings
- Selected Jennie Lemon as GBMS Teacher of the Year for the 2011-12 school year
- Attended the 90-90-90 Summit
- Created Data Room to analyze student achievement
- Began training for Common Core Standards transition



## Barnwell Elementary School

Jackie Sease, Principal

Fulton Bolen, 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 *galloping towards success!*

### Major Accomplishments

- *Meet and Greet* was held at the beginning of the year.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in G.R.E.A.T.
- Meteorologist Ben Tanner was a guest speaker for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade SCE&G Safety City program.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade TAG attended the 3 day field study Teaching K.A.T.E.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade held Culture Day.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade held Science Day.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes went to Ruth Patrick Science and Education Center.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade went to see *The Diary of Anne Frank* play at the Imperial Theater.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade students attended a 3 day field study at Barrier Island.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in D.A.R.E.
- 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders participated in *Reading with the Gamecocks*. Seventy-four 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders qualified for the Duke Tip (Talented Identification Program).
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade band performed twice this year at B.E.S.
- 32 band students participated in the Edisto Band Conference Clinic.
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade students took weather readings at B.E.S.
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in a Talent Show and mini plays.
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade TAG attended a 3 day field study at New Ebenezer Retreat.
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade participated in Career Day.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade TAG students participated in the Stock Market Competition.
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade students hatched chicks via incubators.
- The chorus had two outstanding performances.
- All grades had incentives for progress.
- Students of the Month had lunch with the principal.
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes went on field studies to the Savannah River Ecology Lab and Williams' Farm and Garden.
- Several 6<sup>th</sup> graders are on the Barnwell Robotics Team.
- BES had a PASS/MAP data night.
- Students participated in Accelerated Reader Incentive programs.
- Students participated in the Spelling Bee.
- PTO sponsored family BINGO night.
- A fall carnival was held.
- Fall and spring book fairs were held.
- Awards Day was held each semester.
- Box Tops, ink cartridges, and other recycling products were collected to provide student incentives.
- Students continue to use Study Island.
- Students participated in various clubs.
- A fall fundraiser was held sponsored by the PTO.
- Students showcased their art work in an Art Show in the spring.
- Read Across America was celebrated by BES students.
- Mrs. Kara Bolen, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, was Barnwell 45 Teacher of the Year.
- BES incorporated the "Fish" Philosophy: Be There, Play, Choose Your Attitude, and Make Their Day.

## Barnwell Primary School

Leisa Clamp, Principal  
Susan Eichman, Chair of School Improvement Council

Barnwell Primary school is making progress in meeting the challenging goals that have been established. The dedicated faculty and staff have worked diligently and their efforts have been effective. Barnwell Primary School is indeed a school where we are Building Positive Steps for all students.

### BPS Major Accomplishment

- The PTO provided informational meetings and Family Fun Nights that focused on how parents can assist their child to become academically successful and provided family fun activities – Family Literacy Night, Special Grade-Level Performances, Wonderland Circus
- 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 30 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 Program, Mentor Program and active Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program.
- Barnwell High School juniors and seniors serve as mentors to assist students with reading and math.
- We provided community service projects such as: recycling aluminum cans, ink cartridges, cell phone, and box tops, a can food drive for needy families in the community, 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 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 this year in kindergarten and first grades.
- Dianna Varn was selected as the 2011-2012 BPS Teacher of the Year.
- The PTO is refurbishing the playgrounds.

### STUDENTS AND STAFF (2011-2012)

School	Enrollment	Employees	
		Certificated	Non-Certificated
BHS Grades 9-12	621	54	28
GBMS Grades 7-8	392	28	47
BES Grades 4-6	602	41	19
BPS Pre-Kindergarten- Grade 3	778	64	48
District Office	N/A	6	13
Alternative School	N/A*	2	1

Barnwell School District 45 employs 195 certificated persons. The total staff is 351 including district office staff, food service staff, bus drivers, and substitute teachers.

\*Students are counted in BHS or GBMS enrollment.

## 2010-2011 PASS Results Percent of Students which Met Standard

### Writing

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	n/a	n/a	54.5	n/a	n/a	57.8

### English-Language Arts (Reading and Research)

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	70.2	68.6	55.5	50.0	55.7	59.4

### Mathematics

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	61.7	69.6	48.5	53.8	50.2	53.8

### Science

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	34.4	55.0	31.6	37.5	59.2	53.2

### Social Studies

Grade	3	4	5	6	7	8
B45	59.6	57.4	41.0	59.3	45.3	68.8

### SAT

	Composite Score
BHS	1456*
SC	1427*
USA	1509*

### ACT

	Composite Score
BHS	18.6*
SC	19.9*
USA	21.1*

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

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### Barnwell School District 45 General Fund Revenue FY 2010-2011

