

School Renewal Goals

The SC Report Card rating for Buist will continue to be Excellent and Buist Academy will receive an "A" on the Federal Accountability Rating for the 2014-2015 school year. We will also continue to develop a network for alumni updates and a parent database for educational resources.

Fast Facts

- Enrollment of 454 students
- Gifted and Talented certified teachers
- International Baccalaureate coordinator
- 97.1% student attendance rate
- 73.3% of teachers with advanced degrees
- 87.2% of teachers returning from the previous year
- Authorized by IB for Primary and Middle Years Programmes
- 100% parental involvement
- 22.1 to 1 student to teacher ratio
- 100% of classes taught by highly qualified faculty



School Improvement Council Members

Ex-Officio Members

Shawntay White - Principal
Bryan Smith - Assistant Principal
Sara Lyle - IB Coordinator

Members

Paige Thorn - Chairperson
Rebecca Cox - Parent
Ashley Jennings - Parent
Likina Turner - Teacher
Maura Ondo - Teacher
Judith Blich - Teacher
McCown Griffin - Community

We continue to enjoy strong parental involvement evidenced by our Parent Guild and Foundation. These parental groups represent a wide range of business and community partners in our educational endeavors at Buist Academy.
<http://www.buistacademyfoundation.org/>

Buist Academy for Advanced Studies



2013-2014

School Improvement Council's Report to Parents & Community Members

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Excellence is our Standard.....

► Purpose

The purpose of the Annual Report to Parents is to communicate major accomplishments of the 2013-2014 school year and progress towards fulfilling goals set for the 2014-2015 school year.

The Mission of Buist Academy

The mission of Buist Academy for Advanced Studies is to educate students in a challenging environment which emphasizes academic excellence and encourages respect for individual differences. Students acquire knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to take action in their local and global community. Buist Academy students become caring, internationally-minded, life-long learners.



School and Student Highlights for 2013-2014

- Excellent Absolute Rating on the 2013 Annual School Report Card
- Palmetto Gold Award Winner
- “A” rating on Federal Accountability Rating
- Students accepted to prestigious boarding schools as well as Academic Magnet, JI Charter and Wando H.S.
- National and State top 10 French & Spanish Exam award recipients
- Differentiation of instruction for all learners through IB units
- Annual MYP Book Symposium
- Middle Years Programme Individual Projects
- Community Service Kickoff
- Primary Years Programme Exhibitions
- Quest Academic Competition winners
- Canned goods collected for local food banks
- “You be the Chemist” winners
- Recycling program led by students
- Recognized for closing the achievement gap
- Winter Performance and Spring Musical
- Jump Rope for Heart
- New Drama program instituted
- National History Day award recipients
- Annual Language Week
- Annual Curriculum Night
- 4th Grade SC Academy of Science 2014 MESAS winners
- Mock Trial Team
- Peace Day Celebration
- Student Government elections
- Boys and girls’ basketball teams
- Girls’ volleyball teams
- Tennis and golf teams

Year In Review

The 2013-2014 school year has been a busy and exciting time. We have returned downtown, to our state-of-the-art facility while growing our enrollment. We have taken advantage of the resources in the local community by participating in walking field trips to historical locations, the aquarium and partnering with the children’s museum.

In addition to our new building, we have begun implementing 1:1 learning through the use of iPads in the classroom. The students have created multi-media presentations, digital storybooks and completed research projects through the use of iPads. We look forward to continuing to grow as part of Charleston County School District and as a member of the International Baccalaureate community

