



School Improvement Council Report to Parents 2023-2024

River Bluff High School

Established 2013
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School At a Glance



2,132 Students

84 Support Staff

Demographics

- White 68%
- African American 12%
- Hispanic/Latino 9%
- Asian 7%
- Two or More Races 4%

6 Leadership Team

133 Teachers

7 School Counselors

WORK HARD. GET SMART. DO GOOD.



CREW

- Creating Relationships, Exploring Within
- Encourages community members to become crew, not passengers
- Promotes shared understandings
- Relationship building among students and teachers
- Character development
- Academic progress monitoring
- Small group of students who meet daily and are active participants



Vision & Mission

Vision: Support students and teachers and all whom they influence collectively in their pursuit of excellence within a collaborative learning culture engaged in graduation citizen scholars committed to "building a better world"

Mission: To create a community of learners where passionate educators and students are collectively challenged within a flexible environment to see personal achievement thrive, through character, leadership and growth mindset while contributing to both a local and global society.



Flexible Modular Scheduling

- Flexible Modular Scheduling is a form of scheduling where time benefits both students and teachers. Time serves the students
- Its purpose is to create a learning environment to foster student management of time and evoke self-directed learning and independent decision making
- The learning is student centered and personal attention is provided to each student through relevant connections to their individual needs through collaborative learning commons

River Bluff High School serves students in grades 9 – 12 and offers students from around the district an educational experience in two Centers for Advanced Study: Media Arts, Design and Production Law and Global Policy Development. River Bluff High School is accredited by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, South Carolina Department of Education, and AdvancED, and has an Excellent rating on the SCDE School Report Card.



Features a curriculum built around case studies involving policy development at the state and national level on issues impacting social and economic conditions.



Offers three areas of emphasis: Music Technology and Recording, Television and Film Production, Digital Photography. An emphasis will be placed on the relationship between the fine arts, technology, and business.



2023-2024 SIC Overview

The School Improvement Council serves the school principal and faculty in an advisory role, bringing together parents, educators, students, and community stakeholders to collaborate on the improvement of their school.

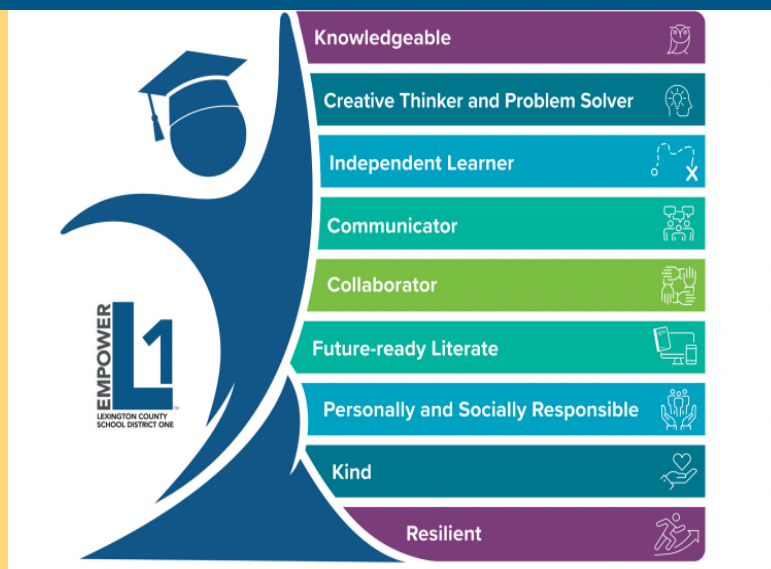
This year, the RBHS SIC convened to collaborate on school improvement needs related to RBHS work plan goals and district implementations.

23-24 RBHS school goals included:

1. Achievement: If we leverage a compelling curriculum through the use of our instructional consistencies and guaranteed student experiences, then students will be engaged and inspired to actively participate and lead their own learning
2. Climate: If we are consistent in the implementation of Habits of Success and utilize a proactive tiered system of student support, then students will consistently display positive behaviors and effective decision making that leads them to success as learners.

The School Improvement Council worked this year to support future work by closely examining the Lexington One Graduate Profile and working to identify what RBHS might need to consider to align current practices with district level consistencies. Focus was given to holistic implementation as well as dissecting what future-ready literate and personally and socially responsible look like for our students. SIC contributions are helping guide Habits of Success revamping at RBHS as well for the 24-25 school

Lexington One Graduate



RBHS Achievements 2023- 2024

Academics:

- 3 New inductees to the Spanish National Honor Society
- We The People State Champions and national competitors through AP Government and The Center for Law and Global Policy Development
- Eden Chen Outstanding Performance, Chinese Level 1 & Tiffany Chen Outstanding Performance, Chinese Level 2
- 2022/2023 Yearbook received a Superior rating from the South Carolina Scholastic Press Association & was featured in Jostens LookBook celebrating the best of the best in yearbook design nationwide
- 42 students received the Seal of Bilingualism award proving their high proficiency in both English and foreign language skills
- Vex V5 Robotics had a team win the "Innovate Award" which qualified them for VEX Worlds Finals at Dallas, Texas. During April 25-27 Robo Reptiles competed in the Opportunity Division along other 81 teams from all over the world
- Mu Alpha Theta had 3 International Math Challenge Elitists and 1 Champion, placed 10th at the National Rocket City Math League Team Round and had 1 USAMO qualifier
- 6 National Merit finalists- Anna Cully, Cassandra Thomas, Katherine Cai, Rylee Miller, Ritvik Korrapati, and Pranesh Rajesh Kannan
- 4 Students recognized as top scholars by the University of South Carolina- Isabella Avosso, Katherine Cai, Rylee Miller, & Anna Cully

Arts:

- Senior Sophie Shumpert and Junior Elizabeth Johnson placed in the Top 16 performers at the South Carolina Theatre Association (SCTA) annual convention in the Solo Musical category.
- The RBHS Theatre Department successfully put on five productions over the course of the 2023-2024 school year. Of these productions, four were class projects (Peter and the Starcatcher, Law and Order: Fairytale Unit, Failure: A Love Story, and A Year with Frog and Toad) and one was extracurricular (The Phantom of the Opera). We welcomed students from our feeder middle and elementary schools (Lakeside Middle, Lexington Elementary, and New Providence Elementary) for two of these productions: Peter and the Starcatcher in the fall and A Year with Frog and Toad in the spring. Additionally, the Theatre 4/5 HN class organized a staged reading of the play 26 Pebbles, a piece of documentary theatre about the Sandy Hook shooting, which was preceded by a student-led community forum to discuss the social and political issues present in the play.
- Marching Band - Grand Champions at the White Knoll Silver Invitational Marching Band Championships, Finalist at the State 5A Marching Band Championships Jazz Band - Superior with Distinction at State Jazz Performance Assessment Symphonic Band - Superior with Distinction at State Concert Performance Assessment Wind Symphony - Superior with Distinction at State Concert Performance Assessment Percussion Ensemble - Superior at the Percussive Arts Society Assessment Brass Ensemble - Superior (perfect score) at the State Solo and Ensemble Competition JV Winterguard - 1st place Dorman CWEA competition, Bronze Medal at the CWEA Regional Championships Varsity Winterguard - 1st place Dorman CWEA competition, Gold Medal at the CWEA Regional Championships, Semi finalist at the WGI World Championships, River Bluff Gator Band Program - Outstanding Performance Award (Highest honor a band can receive in SC)
- Orchestra- 3 Students Accepted to SC All-State Orchestra 1 Student Alternate to SC All-State Orchestra 10 Students Accepted to Region Orchestra 11 Students Accepted to Lexington One District Honors Orchestra Superior Rating at SCMEA Concert Performance Assessment - Orchestra 4 Honors Excellent Rating at SCMEA Concert Performance Assessment - Orchestra 3 Honors 3 Superior with Distinction Rating at SCMEA Solo & Ensemble Festival 3 Superior Rating at SCMEA Solo & Ensemble Festival 8 Excellent Rating at SCMEA Solo & Ensemble Festival 11 Student Participants in SC ASTA Cello Choir 2 Student Participants in SC ASTA Violin & Viola Choir 2 Student Participants in Newberry College Honors Orchestra Music in the Parks Festival (May 4) Participation

Athletics:

- Region Golf Coach of the Year (Roger Smith) 4 Region Champions (Men's Swim, Wrestling, Men's Soccer, Men's Tennis) 2 Individual State Champions (Wrestling- Josh Neblo & Women's Swim Macey Wells) 17 Signed Scholar Athletes
- We had our inaugural season for a Unified Track and Field team. We had a total of 7 athletes and 7 partners that competed. We had four home meets that we participated in and our last two meets we competed against another Unified Track and Field team.
- River Bluff Bowling- 2024 Baker Challenge Tournament Champions
- Women's Golf- Team Finished 4th in SCHSL AAAAA Championship Caitlyn Gaines, Junior, Made SCHSL All-State Team Caitlyn Gaines, Kate LaRochelle, and Charli Heaton made All-Region IV-AAAAA
- The River Bluff Archery team placed 2nd in the State for IBO and is attending Nationals for IBO and Bullseye in Louisville, KY in early May.
- River Bluff Bass Anglers- Logan Anderson and Tyler Ward finished 17th in the state out of 125 teams in the trail. Logan Anderson also won biggest catch on Lake Wateree, and the team came in 3rd in that tournament.
- Wrestling- Region Champions 1st Place Fandetti-Richardson Brawl (Tennessee) 2nd Place Patriot Duals Coach Nelson - Region Coach of the Year Coach Feix - North/South All-Star Coach 5A Joshua Neblo 215 - 5A State Champion Reese Lawrence 190 - 5A Runner-up Edward Pitts 175 - 5A 3rd Place Peter Vaparis 106 - 5A State Qualifier RJ Brown 138 - 5A State Qualifier Hudson Pye 165 - 5A State Qualifier Clayton Seiglar 150 - 5A State Qualifier Girls: Sophia Voudouris 138 - 5A State Qualifier
- Varsity Lacrosse- Tyler Valentin honored as All-Lower State 2nd Team Long Stick Midfielder; Tyler Valentin selected to participate in the Boys Lacrosse North/South All-Star game
- Athletic trainer- Selected as the NATA Secondary School Athletic Trainer liaison to the USA Lacrosse Sports Science and Safety Committee. One of 2 practicing ATs on the committee made of physicians and professors from around the country.
- Our first annual Powderpuff football tournament raised \$715 in support of Relay for Life.
- Varsity Boys Lacrosse- Tyler Valentine (LSM) 1st Team All-Region; Jackson Register (Attack) 2nd Team All-Region; Filip Livingston (Defense) 2nd Team All-Region; Michael Shields (Face Off) 2nd Team All-Region

This Infographic is issued by the RBHS School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress on various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the 2023-2024 school year.

RBHS School Improvement Council (SIC) 2023-2024

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