

# **School Improvement Council Report to Parents** 2024-2025 River Bluff High School

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# School At a Glance





- White 67% African American 11% Hispanic/Latino 9%

- Asian 9% Two or More Races 4%



## WORK HARD. GET SMART. DO GOOD.



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



- 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 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
- 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.

## **2024-2025 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.

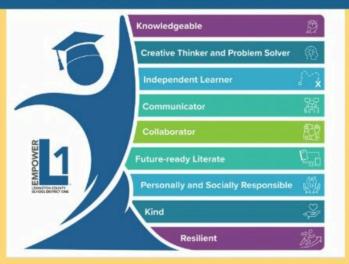
This year, the RBHS SIC convened to collaborate on school improvement needs related to RBHS work plan goals and district implementations.

### 24-25 RBHS school goals included:

- 1. Instructional: If teachers craft enriching and purposeful learning experiences that encompass the habits of success, then students will exhibit growth in their character, knowledge and skills.
- Climate: If we focus on deep, holistic implementation of the graduate profile schoolwide, then RBHS staff and students will understand, demonstrate and develop the Habits of Success (Competencies) in all spaces.

The School Improvement Council worked this year to support future work by reviewing 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 25-26 school year.

### **Lexington One Graduate**



### **RBHS** Achievements 2024-2025

For the first time in School History, RBHS had a National Finalist for the NHS Scholarship sponsored by the NASSP. Raghav Pallapothu, a graduating senior, was one of 25 National Finalists that were chosen from over 16,000 applications. He was invited to attend the National Education Leadership Awards (NELA) with an all expenses paid trip to Washington DC in April 2025 in addition the scholarship money he earned.

- SC Scholastic State Champions Chess Club
  We the People state champions competition sponsored by the SC Bar Association's Law Related Education Division
  AP Environmental Class raised 85 rainbow trout from eggs from November April and released them into the Saluda
  River on 4/28/25. This was part of the Trout in the Classroom program, sponsored by SCDNR and Trout Unlimited.
- Braelyn Davis achieved 1st Place Nationally in the Immersion Group Language Competition at "2025 CLASS National
- Chinese Talent Contest Maelle Wong achieved 1st Place Nationally in the Immersion Group Language Competition at "2025 CLASS National Chinese Talent Contest

Tributary received All-State rating from the South Carolina Scholastic Press Association-Yearbook

National Chinese Honor Society achieved 2nd Place Nationally in the Heritage Group Art Competition at "2025 CLASS National Chinese Talent Contest"

### Arts:

- River Bluff Percussion Ensemble received Superior Rating at the South Carolina Percussive Arts Society's Ensemble
- Advanced Steel Drums received Superior Rating at the South Carolina Percussive Arts Society's Festival of Steel
- RBHS Choral Program had 8 students participated in the University of South Carolina Vocal Arts Clinic 10 students participated in the South Carolina Music Educators Association (SCMEA) Region Choir at Newberry

23 students auditioned and performed in the South Carolina Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association (SCACDA) State High School Honor Choir at Francis Marion University

10 students auditioned and performed in the SCMEA All-State Choir

28 students auditions and performed in the Lexington 1 District Honor Choir
Chamber Singers received a Superior rating at SCMEA Choral Performance Assessment
Bel Canto received a Superior with Distinction rating at SCMEA Choral Performance Assessment
Chamber Singers received a Superior with Distinction rating at SCACDA Palmetto State Choral Festival
Concert Choir received a Superior rating at SCACDA Palmetto State Choral Festival

Southern Charm featured performers at the South Carolina Association of School Administrators Gala 10 singers performed in SCMEA Solo and Ensemble

Concert Choir a featured choir in Carnegie Hall in New York City.

Center for Media Arts, Design & Production | Film & TV Production were finalist - Courageous Persuaders Video Contest (PSA - Passenger Empowerment)

Musical Theatre - Inducted 28 students into the inaugural class of our newly formed troupe of the International Thespian Society

Senior Ian Hazelrigg awarded Excellence in Artistic Achievement scholarship at the South Carolina Theatre
Association Annual Convention in November
Successfully produced two full-length musicals, involving over 60 students performing onstage or working backstage

- Dr. George Wham will be inducted into SCACA Hall of Fame on July 27
- Women's Tennis AAAAA Region IV Champ, AAAAA Division 1 Upper State Champs, AAAAA Division 1 State Runner-

Men's Tennis AAAAA Region IV Champs

- Lacrosse-Tyler Cast elected to North/South All Star game. Lacrosse Signees: Tyler Cast (signed with North Greenville) and Gavin Hunt (signed with Columbia College)
  Women's Wrestling Team had first actual season as a team. Made it to the Upper State Championships as a team,
- ranked 2nd in the state of South Carolina. 6 girls to the State Individual Championships. SCHS Bowling League Champions

Mason Spears with male high game for the year (279) Swim-Mens Region Champions

Relay State Champion

Individual State Champion

Undefeated dual season for boys

Girls had a winning season

Varsity Cheerleading-2024 Region iV- AAAAA Champion

2024 AAAAA-D1 Upper State Champion 2024 AAAAA D1 State Runner Up

8 All-Region Athletes
Region Cheerleader of the Year - Anna Eckstrom
Region Coach of the Year - Koren Haney
Boys Cross Country-SCHSL 5A Region 4 All-Region - Daniel Campbell (5th Place)
SCHSL 5A Division 1 All-State - Daniel Campbell (2nd Place), Brandon Corley (8th Place)

Varsity Volleyball-Region Coach of the Year - Bryan Piro

All Region Players - Masyn McClanahan, Alexis Jodie, Caroline Tucker

All State Selections - Masyn McClanahan, Alexis Jodie North/South All Star selection - Masyn McClanahan Gardner-Webb University commit - Masyn McClanahan



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 2024-2025 school year.

RBHS School Improvement Council (SIC) 2024-2025

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