



School Improvement Council Annual Report to Parents 2017-2018



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A Message from the Principal & SIC Chairperson

Spring Hill High School (SHHS) opens the doors of opportunity for all students by delivering a unique learning experience which is tailored to individual talents and interests. Spring Hill High School being a Career Pathway Magnet encourages students to discover their passion by offering five focus programs to include: Engineering Academy, Entertainment Academy, Entrepreneurial Academy, Environmental Studies Academy and Exercise Science Academy.

All five academies include modern, technology-rich environments which promote prudent risk taking and creativity by enabling learners to model and test ideas, collaborate with peers, and develop new solutions based on up-to-date real-world resources and industry practices. Spring Hill High School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate. Our programs of study are directly correlated with future career and college readiness.

Our vibrant learning community is made up of students from all areas of Lexington and Richland School District Five and represent individuals with varying backgrounds, interests, beliefs, and experiences. In addition to challenging and motivating each other, students share knowledge, celebrate successes, and work together to reach common goals. By developing appreciation and respect for one another's differences and actively seeking opportunities to embrace diversity, we are preparing students to become productive members of the modern workforce in today's connected world.

We are very proud of our students' academic and personal achievements and their involvement in both the school and larger community as it is the Spring Hill Way: Working with Others, Academically Focused and Youth-Inspired.

We are also proud to announce that our School Improvement Council has been named to the South Carolina School Improvement Council's 2018 Honor Roll for our significant efforts to foster civic engagement in public education.

Michael Lofton
Principal

Michael Copeland
SIC Chairperson

Our School Improvement Council

<i>Parent Representative (Elected)</i>	<i>Term Ends</i>
Michael Copeland, Chairperson	May 2019
Erin DuPree, Secretary	May 2018
Richard Ouzts	May 2018
Craig Peters	May 2018
Wendy Ruocco	May 2019
Ralana Wilson	May 2018
<i>Teacher Representatives (Elected)</i>	
Jared Clayton	May 2018
Melissa Conway	May 2018
Jonathan Estrella	May 2018
Robbie Fischer	May 2018
<i>Student Representatives (Elected)</i>	
Kelsey Krusen	May 2018
Sydney Roberts	May 2018
Kathryn Root	May 2018
<i>Community Members (Appointed)</i>	
Wanda Edwards	
Vivian Ford	
Blaine Hill	
Susan Madden	
Hugo Muraco	
Jennifer Riddle	
<i>Ex-Officio Members</i>	
Teresa Anderson, PTO President	
Michael Lofton, Principal	

SHHS SIC Goals

Goal #1: Will organize and lead a coordinated effort with schools, school district, homeowners, employers, and concerned citizens to improve the safety and traffic flow in the vicinity of Spring Hill High School, Chapin Middle School and The Center for Advanced Technical Studies.

The work of our SIC led to a traffic study, meeting with local governments and this resulted in a traffic light being installed on Broad River Road in the summer of 2017. Due to the persistence of our SIC Traffic Committee, the traffic light is now operational. Our SIC is continuing to monitor and improve safety conditions.

Goal #2: Will work with businesses, employers, community leaders, faculty, staff and guidance counselors to improve and build a comprehensive job-shadowing and internship program.

The work of our SIC led to a partnership with Midlands Education Business Alliance (MEBA). MEBA is establishing a database for those interested in obtaining an internship to be able to locate businesses and individuals that agree to host an intern. This partnership has resulted in an increase in job shadowing opportunities and internships for our students. We continue to work with local businesses and professionals to educate them on the value of providing relevant learning experiences for SHHS students.

Goal #3: Will with the help of guidance counselors, teachers, staff members, and community-aid providers develop and implement programs to assist students and family members who have been identified as being in need of emotional and economic assistance.

The work of our SIC led to donations being received that were used to aide in clearing negative balances on student lunch accounts, the purchase of gas cards for students that needed aide in getting to and from their job sites and forming a system that allowed for students to check out calculators from our media center as needed. We continue to send out flyers requesting monetary donations for our school nutrition office to aide with lunch accounts of needy students.

Accreditation

Spring Hill High School is fully accredited by the State Board of Education and AdvancED. In the annual report to the South Carolina Department of Education, no deficiencies were cited.

Mission Statement

Spring Hill High School is a collaborative learning community that cultivates innovative thinkers prepared to meet the challenges of the 21st century. The school's culture is rich in personal connections, supporting a learning environment where students pursue coursework designed to foster creativity, uniqueness in thought, and intellectual development. Spring Hill students explore and master educational pursuits which prepare them to strive and lead in an interconnected world.

Vision

Spring Hill High School encourages students to discover their passion, developing independent and innovative thinkers who continually strive for excellence.

Five Focus Programs

Engineering Academy

Entertainment Academy

Entrepreneurial Academy

Environmental Studies Academy

Exercise Science Academy



Igniting a Passion for Lifelong Learning

At Spring Hill High School. We recognize and connect with students' individual talents and interests to make learning relevant and exciting. Our academies enable students to choose from five specialized and innovative options. Real-world experiences in these focus areas spark a passion for lifelong learning by capturing learners' imagination and emphasizing the importance of core skills through context.

Rigorous Curriculum

- SHHS is a comprehensive high school that offers a variety of challenging courses at levels including College Prep (CP), Honors, and College Board Advanced Placement (AP).
- CP courses are offered in all core subjects.
- There are thirty-three (33) Honors level : Algebra 2, Anatomy & Physiology, Biology, Chemistry, Dance V, Earth Science, Economics, English I, II, III, IV, French III, IV & V, Physical Science, Physics, Pre-Calculus, Principles of Engineering, Spanish III, IV & V, Studio Art: 2D, Studio Art: 3D, Theatre IV & V, U.S. Government, U.S. History, World History
- In addition SHHS offers the following AP courses: Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, English Language & Composition, English Literature & Composition, Computer Science, European History, French, Human Geography, Macroeconomics, Physics 1, Physics 2, Psychology, Spanish, Statistics, Studio Art: 2-D, Studio Art: 3-D. Studio Art: Drawing, United States Government & Policies, United States History and Constitution, World History

Spring Hill High School Celebrations

- Awarded the **Whole Child Award** by SC ASCD for creating a school culture with programs that challenge our students.
- Awarded as a Magnet School of America National Award of Merit – **School of Distinction** for the second year in a row.
- Ranked as the **#2 Magnet School in the state** of South Carolina by Niche.com
- **Highest SAT averages** of any open enrollment high school in the state of South Carolina.
- Ranked by US News and World Report as one of America's Best High Schools receiving the **Bronze award** for the second year in a row.

Rigorous Curriculum

ACT 2017 - Average Scale Scores of Graduating Class

	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
SHHS	21.6	22.2	23.8	22.6	22.7
D5	19.4	20.8	21.1	20.7	20.6
State	17.5	18.6	19.1	18.9	18.7
Nation	20.3	20.7	21.4	21.0	21.0

SAT 2017 - Average Scale Scores

	Evidence Based Reading & Writing	Math	Composite
SHHS	589	580	1169
D5	562	557	1118
State	521	541	1062
Nation	533	538	1070

Advanced Placement 2017

	Pass Rate
SHHS	73.8
D5	65.5
State	58.4
Global	60.3

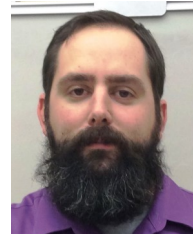
End of Course Tests 2017

	Pass Rate
SHHS	91.9
D5	86
State	74.7

Graduation Rates 2017

SHHS	95.4
D5	90.3
State	84.6

Teacher of the Year



Mr. Jared Clayton has been selected as Teacher of the Year by the faculty and staff of Spring Hill High School. Mr. Clayton is a member of our Social Studies Department.

Support Employee of the Year



Mr. Robert Stanley has been selected as our Support Employee of the Year. He is a member of our Custodial Department.

Purpose of the Report

This Report is issued by the Spring Hill High School School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

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