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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

Message from the Baptist Hill SIC Chair

Dear Students, Families, and Community Members,

Our high school stands on a proud and rich history, one built by generations of families, educators, and neighbors who believed in the power of community. That legacy continues today in the way we support one another and invest in our students' success.

As Chairman of the School Improvement Council, I am honored to work alongside a community that values tradition while striving for continued growth. As of the 2025-2026 school year, there is now a standalone Baptist Hill Middle School to support middle-level students.

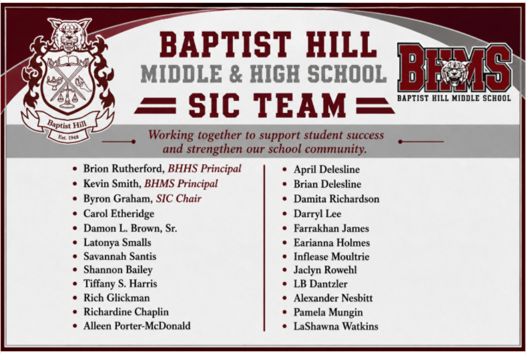
Together, we will ensure that our school remains a place where every student is known, supported, and inspired.

Thank you for being part of our story and for helping shape its future.

Sincerely,

Byron Graham, SIC Chairman

SIC Members



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BHMS
BAPTIST HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

BAPTIST HILL
MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL
SIC TEAM

Working together to support student success and strengthen our school community.

- Brion Rutherford, *BHHS Principal*
- Kevin Smith, *BHMS Principal*
- Byron Graham, *SIC Chair*
- Carol Etheridge
- Damon L. Brown, Sr.
- Latonya Smalls
- Savannah Santis
- Shannon Bailey
- Tiffany S. Harris
- Rich Glickman
- Richardine Chaplin
- Alleen Porter-McDonald

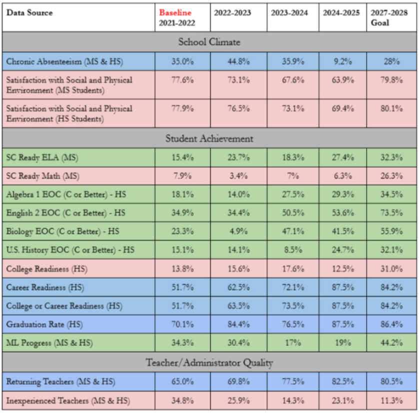
- April Delesline
- Brian Delesline
- Damita Richardson
- Darryl Lee
- Farrakhan James
- Earianna Holmes
- Inflease Moultrie
- Jaclyn Rowehl
- LB Dantzler
- Alexander Nesbitt
- Pamela Mungin
- LaShawna Watkins

Baptist Hill High School Mission & Vision Statement

Baptist Hill High School cultivates learners rooted in their history, empowered by knowledge, guided by integrity, and prepared to pursue their future with confidence in a community where every student feels valued.

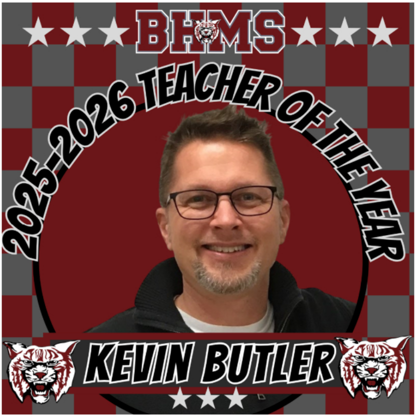
Our vision is to develop college- and career-ready students who think critically, communicate effectively, and demonstrate strong character, empowering them to be productive, community-minded citizens committed to continuous improvement.

📈 BHM&HS School Renewal Plan Data 📈



Data Source	Baseline 2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2027-2028 Goal
School Climate					
Chronic Absenteeism (MS & HS)	35.0%	44.8%	35.9%	9.2%	28%
Satisfaction with Social and Physical Environment (MS Students)	77.6%	73.1%	67.6%	63.9%	79.8%
Satisfaction with Social and Physical Environment (HS Students)	77.9%	76.5%	73.1%	69.4%	80.1%
Student Achievement					
SC Ready ELA (MS)	15.4%	23.7%	18.3%	27.4%	32.3%
SC Ready Math (MS)	7.9%	3.4%	7%	6.3%	26.3%
Algebra 1 EOC (C or Better) - HS	18.1%	14.0%	27.5%	29.3%	34.5%
English 2 EOC (C or Better) - HS	34.9%	34.4%	50.5%	53.6%	73.5%
Biology EOC (C or Better) - HS	23.3%	4.9%	47.1%	41.5%	55.9%
U.S. History EOC (C or Better) - HS	15.1%	14.1%	8.5%	24.7%	32.1%
College Readiness (HS)	13.8%	15.6%	17.6%	12.5%	31.0%
Career Readiness (HS)	51.7%	62.5%	72.1%	87.5%	84.2%
College or Career Readiness (HS)	51.7%	63.5%	73.5%	87.5%	84.2%
Graduation Rate (HS)	70.1%	84.4%	76.5%	87.5%	86.4%
ML Progress (MS & HS)	34.3%	30.4%	17%	19%	44.2%
Teacher/Administrator Quality					
Returning Teachers (MS & HS)	65.0%	69.8%	77.5%	82.5%	80.5%
Inexperienced Teachers (MS & HS)	34.8%	25.9%	14.3%	23.1%	11.3%

🏆 Baptist Hill Middle School Teacher of the Year 🏆



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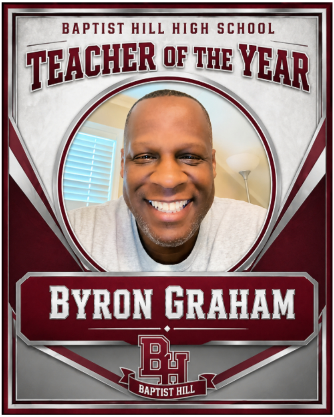
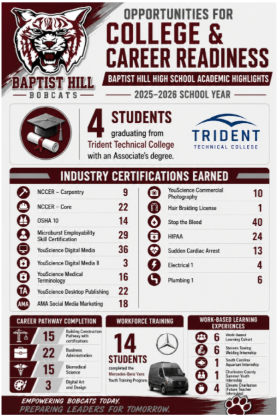


Baptist Hill High School Academic Highlights



BAPTIST HILL
BOBCATS

OPPORTUNITIES FOR
COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

BAPTIST HILL HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

2025–2026 SCHOOL YEAR

4 STUDENTS graduating from Trident Technical College with an Associate's degree.

TRIDENT
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS EARNED

NCCER – Carpentry	9	YouScience Commercial Photography	10
NCCER – Core	22	Hair Braiding License	1
OSHA 10	14	Stop the Bleed	40
Microburst Employability Skill Certification	29	HIPAA	24
YouScience Digital Media	36	Sudden Cardiac Arrest	13
YouScience Digital Media II	3	Electrical 1	4
YouScience Medical Terminology	16	Plumbing 1	6
YouScience Desktop Publishing	22		
AMA Social Media Marketing	18		

CAREER PATHWAY COMPLETION

15	Building Construction Pathway with certifications
22	Business Administration
15	Biomedical Science
3	Digital Art and Design

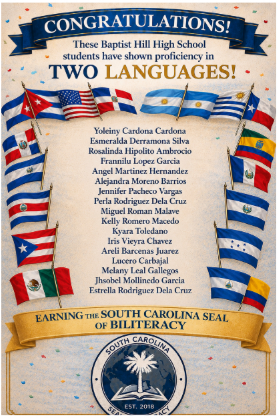
WORKFORCE TRAINING

14 STUDENTS completed the Mercedes-Benz Vans Youth Training Program.

WORK-BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCES

6	Work-based Learning Cohort
6	Stevens Towing Welding Internship
1	South Carolina Aquarium Internship
1	Charleston County Summer Youth Internship
4	Elevate Charleston (Future Teacher Internship)

EMPOWERING BOBCATS TODAY.
PREPARING LEADERS FOR TOMORROW.



CONGRATULATIONS!

These Baptist Hill High School students have shown proficiency in

TWO LANGUAGES!

Yoleiny Cardona Cardona
Esmeralda Derramona Silva
Rosalinda Hipolito Ambrocio
Frannilu Lopez Garcia
Angel Martinez Hernandez
Alejandra Moreno Barrios
Jennifer Pacheco Vargas
Perla Rodriguez Dela Cruz
Miguel Roman Malave
Kelly Romero Macedo
Kyara Toledano
Iris Vieyra Chavez
Areli Barcenas Juarez
Lucero Carbajal
Melany Leal Gallegos
Jhsobel Mollinedo Garcia
Estrella Rodriguez Dela Cruz

EARNING THE SOUTH CAROLINA SEAL OF BILITERACY

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Baptist Hill Middle School Scholar Recoginzed for Spelling Bee Achievement

Scholars across the district were recognized at Board of Trustees meetings for their outstanding achievements in local and regional Spelling Bees. Representing Baptist Hill Middle School with excellence was 8th grader Kadence Dennis, whose accomplishment highlighted the hard work, dedication, and academic talent of BHMS students.

Baptist Hill High School Receives the News 2 Cool School Award

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BHMS Scholar Artwork Featured

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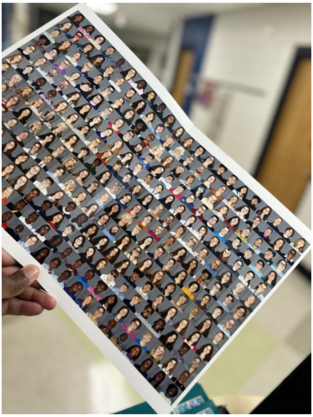
Baptist Hill Art Teacher, Katlin Montella, celebrated a major achievement this year as artwork created by Baptist Hill Middle School scholars was featured on the cover of a publication from the Gibbes Museum of Art. The publication also highlighted images of our scholars inside, showcasing the creativity, talent, and artistic excellence of BHMS students.



Baptist Hill High Celebrates Track & Field State Champions With Ring Ceremony

Baptist Hill High School proudly celebrated its 2025 South Carolina High School League state champion track and field student-athletes and coaches with a special ring ceremony on March 23, 2026.

Janiya Fludd (a senior) won the Class A girls' 100-meter hurdles last spring, and Fludd teamed up with Emerald Alford, Jazerah Fenley, and Malayah Mitchell to take gold in the 4x100 relay. During the ceremony, coaches and student-athletes were presented with championship rings, commemorating a remarkable season of hard work and success.

The celebration was highlighted by a keynote address from legendary Lowcountry basketball coach Earl Brown, who inspired attendees with words on dedication and on honoring those who helped them achieve their success.

One extra note, Fludd recently competed on a national stage at the 2026 Nike Indoor Nationals, held at The Nike Track & Field Center at The Armory in New York City. The prestigious event featured more than 5,500 of the nation's top high school athletes.

Baptist Hill and Charleston County Teaming Up to Lead the Way in Education

Future Teacher
Signing Day
Charleston County
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Elevate Charleston: Future Educators

Charleston County School District (CCSD) is proud of the work being done to build an internal teacher pipeline. Elevate Charleston is one such program where CCSD works with high school students interested in becoming teachers. Those students go through an internship process during their junior and senior years to get real-world experience in the classroom. The end result is a commitment to become a CCSD teacher upon graduating from college. Three 2026 BHHS seniors, have committed to majoring in education and will return to teach in CCSD upon graduation. These students interned at Baptist Hill Middle School during the 2025-2026 school year.

Baptist Hill Middle and Baptist Hill High School Reached Community Reading Goal!

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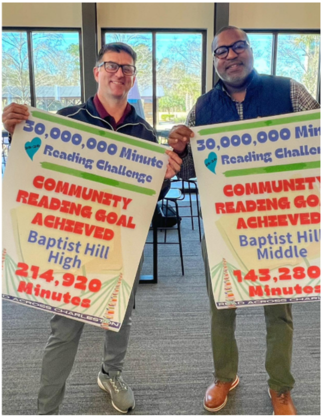
READING CULTURE
TRAILBLAZER
2025-2026

In February, Baptist Hill Middle School and Baptist Hill High School achieved an important milestone by meeting their CCSD community reading goals. This accomplishment reflected the schools' commitment to literacy, academic growth, and fostering a strong culture of reading across the Baptist Hill community.



Celebrating BHM&HS Community Partnerships

At Baptist Hill Middle and High School, we believe in the power of partnership. We are deeply grateful for the continued support of our current community partners who help us enrich educational experiences for our students and families. We are always looking to expand our network of collaborators and welcome new opportunities to work together in building a stronger, more connected community.

***The Sons and Daughters of St Andrews Lodge #385, The Town of Hollywood, and the St Paul's Library, The Baptist Hill High School Alumni Association

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Partnership: Rock N Roll Rescue Donates New Instruments to Baptist Hill

Charleston, SC (September 15, 2025) - Rock N Roll Rescue (RRR), a proud LOCAL partner of Charleston County School District (CCSD), donated six brand-new instruments to students at Baptist Hill Middle School and Baptist Hill High School. The formal donation event took place on Friday, September 12, 2025.

2024-2025 Press Releases

2025-2026 Press Releases - Charleston County School District

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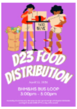
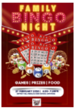
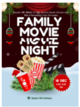
BHM&HS Parent, Family, and Community Engagement Program Review

During the 2025-2026 school year, our school implemented 43 parent, family, and community engagement events and/or services. Some of our events and activities included our: monthly districtwide food drives, parenting workshops, certification classes, Movie Literacy Night, rental and utility assistance, districtwide heater and air conditioner distributions, Family Game Nights, Public Schoolwide Planning Team (SWP) meetings, Trunk or Treat, Open House, Data Conference Day, STEAM Night, Angel Tree Giveaways, Back Pack Buddies Program, food pantry, clothing drives, Trauma 101 Workshops, academic and behavioral celebrations, etc. We also provided referrals for services and collaborated with community organizations and business partners.







Want to Get Involved?

Your presence makes a real difference. When you volunteer or participate in school events, you're not just checking a box—you're building community, supporting scholar success, and modeling the values we want to see in our schools. Reach out to our Parent Educator, LaShawna Watkins, at lashawna_watkins@charleston.k12.sc.us if you would like to become an integral part of the Hill.

💞We appreciate your time and attention as we share our story. Visit https://forms.gle/KcDqULaJ54b67m8R7 to be entered in our appreciation raffle.💞

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