

# 2015-2016 School Improvement Council Members

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## Fast Facts

### Attendance Areas

Cross, Eadytown, Pineville, Highway 311, and Ridgeville

### Enrollment

322 Students—Grades 7-12

### Faculty & Staff Members

31 Certified teachers

Over 60% Certified teachers with Masters

Degree and above

20 Support Staff

## Unique Characteristics

*Cross High's unique 7-12 structure provides middle school age students opportunities for involvement in selected programs and total access to our vast technological resources.*

*High school students enjoy the advantages of small classes and full college-prep, Honors and AP curriculums. In addition, the family atmosphere of our rural community nurtures and maintains an environment of continuous learning.*



# Berkeley County School District Cross High School



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## MISSION STATEMENT

*Building upon our rich low country traditions, we will ignite, in every student, a passion for life-long learning. Through dynamic instruction, creative partnerships and exceptional support, we will foster opportunities for each student to build a legacy of success.*



## Home of the Mighty Trojans!

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# Cross High School

We are thankful and very proud of Cross High School. This school year has been one of change and challenges. Our "Report to Parents" Brochure will highlight some of the activities, events and the phenomenal accomplishments of the past year. Cross High School has received several awards and recognitions. In 2015, we received a Bronze award for U.S. News and World Report Best High Schools Search. This award is a significant indicator that Cross High School is playing a major role in closing the achievement gap among students.

The nurturing and caring environment that our teachers foster for our students plays a large role in our success. Teachers know each student on a personal level and have a profound understanding of the individual needs of the students. Teachers have high expectations for our students and therefore have high expectations of themselves in terms of creating a positive learning environment and delivering high quality instruction on a daily basis.

With our continued efforts to benchmark our students throughout the school year we hope to see significant increases on all state mandated tests.

Thank you so much for allowing your child(ren) to be a part of our efforts to keep Cross High School a vital constituent of the community.

## School Improvement Goals

In keeping with our commitment to continue improving our students' academic achievement, we commit to:

- \* Increase the number of students who pass End-of-Course tests in Algebra, Math Tech II, English I, U.S. History and Biology.
- \* Increase the number of on time graduates.
- \* Increase parental involvement.
- \* Recruit and retain highly qualified teachers.
- \* Continue to build a sense of community in the classroom and school pride.

\*HS-High School/ \*MS-Middle School

<u>ACT WorkKeys (2015)</u> Percentage of students receiving:		<u>EOC TEST SCORES</u> (2015) Percent Passage	
<u>Bronze</u> 39.5%	<u>Silver</u> 46.5%	72.9%	
On-time Graduation 84.8%		Eng I:	71.8%
		Alg I:	69.0%
		Biology:	77.4%
		U.S. History:	71.8%

Grade	ACT Aspire Scores			SC PASS Scores	
	ELA	Math	Writing	Social Studies	Science
7th	59.2%	13%	24.1%	31.5%	52.8%
8th	64.6%	12.3%	21.3%	45.8%	42.6%

## What Makes Us Proud!

- \* School Wide Literacy and Writing Initiatives
- \* Expanding alternative strategies for student course work through Credit Recovery, APEX, SC Virtual Schools, and Dual-Credit Courses
- \* Involving students and parents in being active in developing Individual Graduation Plans that focus on rigorous course work and career clusters
- \* Received Wellness Achievement Award (Boeing Center for Children's Wellness School Health Initiative)
- \* Over 80% of our teachers return from the previous year
- \* Received U. S. News America's Best High Schools Award for the past 3 years

## Accomplishments

- \* 2016 Region 6 Champion Softball
- \* 2016 Runner Up Girl's Track
- \* 2016 Soccer Program "Inauguration"
- \* 2015 Region 6 Champion Football
- \* 2015 Region 6 Champion Volleyball
- \* 2015 Runner Up Girl's Basketball
- \* 2015 U.S. News & World Report Best High School Search, Bronze Medal
- \* 2 students made Regional Honor Band
- \* 6 students participated in BCSD All County Honor Music Clinic
- \* Several FBLA students qualified for nationals in Atlanta, Ga