

Career & Technology Education

Our Career & Technology Education programs prepare students for optimal college and career readiness through Programs of Study grouped into clusters based on a common set of knowledge and skills. All students are given the opportunity to compete each year in district-wide competitions.

Programs offered at North Charleston High

- < Web & Digital Communications
- < Culinary Arts
- < Business Information Management
- < Digital Art and Design
- < Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Engineering
- < Law Enforcement Services
- < Health Sciences (new in 2016-17)

Extracurricular Notables

Sports



- < All Region Athletes
 - Kahleb Parks – Football
 - Statan Levine – Boy's Basketball
 - Shakayla Gilliard – Girl's Basketball
 - Anthony Wells – Wrestling. Anthony also placed third in the state championship meet.
- < 2nd Team All Lowcountry
 - Dennis Thomas – Football
 - Eric Williams – Football

Music

- < Ms. DelSignore raised \$16,500 in music and equipment through donorschoose.org
- < Music Program awarded a Grammy Foundation Signature School Community Award
- < Students Destiny Rambert-Small and Jonathan McEachin won the Give Music Scholarship and were gifted with professional level instruments.

School Improvement Council

South Carolina initiated School Improvement Councils through legislation as a means of restoring the influential voice of parents and community members in public education.

In the past year, our SIC has been strengthened through additional community members and revising the by-laws of the SIC. The Council is spearheading two initiatives:

1. Working with the Charleston County School Board and legislative delegation to redefine high school graduation rates to more accurately reflect a school's achievements.
2. Working alongside the PTSA to increase parental involvement at the school.

School Improvement Council Members

Students

Jasmine Grant
Sadeja Scott

Parents

Diane King
Jeffrey Prish

Teachers

David Jensen
Anthony Ludwig

Community Members

Anthony Drew
Greg Shore
Kara Simmons

Ex-officio Members

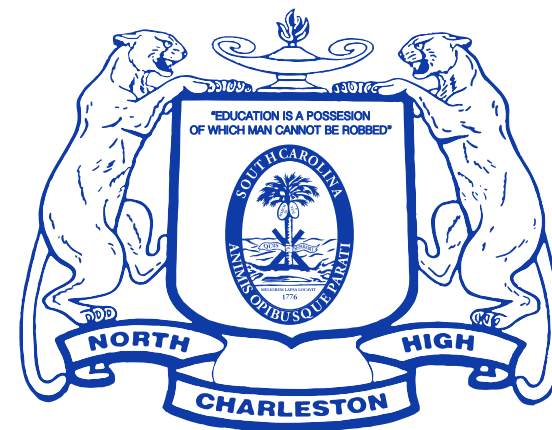
Robert Grimm
Vanessa Denney
Brenda Sweat
Kyle Lahm
Bryan Ayer
Jean Rebecca

About the Report to Parents

This report is issued by the North Charleston High 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.



North Charleston High School School Improvement Council Report to Parents 2015-2016



Mr. Robert Grimm
Principal

Mr. Anthony Drew & Ms. Kara Simmons
Co-Chairpersons, School Improvement Council

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Continuing to Move Forward

North Charleston High School (NCHS) is helping all students develop the world class skills for life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing an educational environment for significant progress in all tested EOC areas and graduation rate, and by maintaining a school climate conducive to learning. NCHS continues to make gains in student academic performance by providing more Advanced Placement (AP) class opportunities for students and the ability for our students to take various Career and Technology Education (CTE) courses. We also maintain a steady increase in student attendance and a continuous decrease in school discipline referrals.

We continue to make great strides in changing the public perception of our school. At NCHS, we can proudly say that our students are tremendous and our staff is world class. The students overcome numerous obstacles and the staff works diligently sacrificing their time in assisting students to overcome these obstacles to reach their full potential.

We, as a faculty, staff and School Improvement Council, can assure you that sending your child to NCHS is not a mistake; it may be the best decision you can make. As a student at NCHS, you will have outstanding teachers, a safe and orderly environment in which to learn, and a qualified support staff to assist you along the way. We can honestly say that North Charleston High School remains the right choice to educate your child.

Robert Grimm
Principal

Anthony Drew
Kara Simmons
Co-Chairs, School Improvement Council

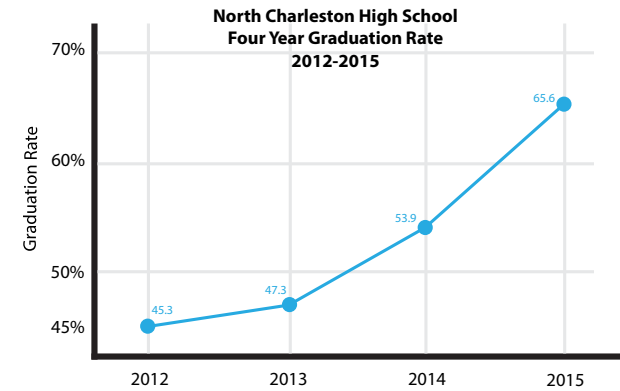
Programs for Success

- ◁ High Schools That Work (HTSW)/Overcoming Obstacles
 - Character education
 - College readiness & awareness
- ◁ Communities in Schools (CIS)
 - Mentoring
 - Tutoring
 - Life skills
- ◁ Naviance Counseling Program
 - College access
 - Career inventories
 - Test preparation
 - College applications
 - Scholarship searches.
- ◁ After-school Tutoring Program
 - Tutoring
 - After-school meals
 - Transportation home

2015 Palmetto Silver Award

North Charleston High School is the recipient of a 2015 Palmetto Silver Award for General Performance. The Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards Program was established in 1998 and recognizes schools for General Performance as well as for Closing The Achievement Gap. As an important part of the education accountability system in South Carolina, the Awards program is designed to recognize and reward schools for attaining high levels of absolute performance, for attaining high rates of growth, and for making substantial progress in closing the achievement gap between disaggregated groups.

We are very proud of our students, teachers, and administrators for working hard and achieving so much.



End of Course Tests

Students in all public high schools in South Carolina take standardized tests in the following courses: Algebra I, English 1, Biology 1, and U.S. History.

Percentage of Students with a Passing Grade of 70% or Greater

	NCHS	Similar Schools	State
Algebra I	89.8	64.4	85.7
English I	55.0	51.1	75.1
Biology I	67.8	56.8	77.8
U.S. History	69.0	43.3	69.1
All Subjects	69.5	54.2	77.3

Post-Graduation Plans Class of 2015

- 42% - 2 or 4-year Colleges
- 20% - Military
- 34% - Workforce
- 4% - Other