#### **Updated Activities**

- 1. Continue the implementation of a comprehensive guidance plan and academic curriculum guides to meet the needs of our students.
- 2. Continue Response to Intervention (RtI). Our RtI program is currently undergoing a district wide update. RtI is a state policy which offers students additional help to succeed in the classroom, both academically and behaviorally. This process is independent of special education and is not designed to replace that process; it is to help all students across the board perform to the best of their abilities. Our updated RtI program will go into effect for the 2015 2016 school year.
- 3. Continue to implement the *High Schools That Work* (HSTW) program to insure that all students are receiving a rigorous and relevant curriculum.
- 4. Implement the revised South Carolina State Standards. We will continue to emphasize college and career readiness.
- 5. Promote a literary partnership with Blacksburg Primary School and Blacksburg Elementary School.

# **Updated Needs Assessment**

- 1. Provide a safe, secure campus for students and staff.
- Develop a positive Public Relations system for communicating successes and needs to parents and the community, as well as creating a positive brand for BHS.
- 3. Teach soft skills such as communication, conflict resolution, and interview skills.
- 4. Improve availability and use of technology through implementation of our district's high school 1:1 initiative.

# **Blacksburg High School**

## 2015 ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS



Mr. Craig Bramlett, Principal

### **Assistant Principals**

Mrs. Carol Gallman Mr. Michael Mullinax

#### **Athletic Director**

Coach Robbie Blanton

#### **Director of Guidance**

Mrs. Brooke Cook

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The mission of Blacksburg High School is to ensure all students are provided with empowering and rigorous opportunities to thrive in academics, athletics, and the arts in a safe and nurturing environment in order to become lifelong learners and productive citizens.

# **School Community Achievements**

- Blacksburg High School earned an absolute rating of Good on our 2014 South Carolina State Department Report Card. BHS also received an ESEA grade of B.
- 2. The graduation rate for the BHS Senior Class of 2014 was 88.2 %.
- 3. Numerous BHS students earned football honors during the 2014 football season. Adam Lawhorn and Joseph Linder were chosen All-Area for Football. Adam Lawhorn was also selected as All-Region. All-Area Academic selections were Lucas Blanton, Adam Lawhorn, Kyle Loveless, Chris Prouty and Brett Ward. We were named Spartanburg Touchdown Club's Team of the Week for Week 1. Adam Lawhorn was further chosen as ESPN Hawq of the Week.
- 4. BHS had an exceptional basketball season this year. Our Boys' Varsity team won the Region Championship and was undefeated in Region 1-2A play. They were selected to the Spartanburg Herald Journal's Team of the Week, and Malique Parker was chosen as Player of the Week. Malique Parker, Jordan Rogers, and Sheed Rodgers were named All-Region and All-Area. Sheed Rogers was further selected to play in the FCA All-Star game and named to the 2A All-State team. Hunter Wright was awarded a spot on the All-Academic team. Coach Danny Ham received Region Coach of the Year and All-Area Coach of the Year honors. For our Varsity Girls' team, Ally McCurry was chosen as All-Region, and Kiara Willis was named to the All-Region and All-Area teams.
- 5. The Blacksburg High School Wildcat Marching Band placed second in Upper State Competition this year with an *Excellent* rating. The Marching Band went on to place 3<sup>rd</sup> in the State Competition with a *Superior* rating. Nicholas Dixon, Alex Hampton, Maya Ferguson, and Noah Dixon were invited to the *Winthrop Invitational Band Clinic*. The Limestone College Honor Band members from Blacksburg High School were Nicholas Dixon, Noah Dixon, Maya Ferguson, Alex Hampton, Taylor Kale, Raleigh Kennedy, Alisa Mullinax, Bailey Pierce, Maria Phillips, Maria Prizzi, Abigail Sanlin, Timothy Sarratt, Elizabeth Towery, and Brody Turner. Nicholas Dixon, Maya Ferguson, and Thomas LaFrancis were chosen for Region Band, and Alex Hampton earned the honor of being in the All-State Band. This spring, the BHS Concert Band earned a *Superior* rating at the SC Band Director's Association for their Concert Performance Assessment.

6. Mr. Terry Anderson was selected by his peers as the 2014-2015 *Teacher* of the Year for Blacksburg High School.

#### **Performance Goals**

- 1. Blacksburg High School will implement a 1:1 initiative where all students in grades 9-12 will receive a laptop computer to be utilized both in the classroom and at home.
- 2. Blacksburg High School will implement newly revised State Standards. Teachers will continue to participate in staff development sessions to expand and enhance knowledge of the implementation process.
- EOC, SAT and ACT composite scores will improve, as we strive to meet or exceed state and national averages. Scores will show improvement over scores reported in the previous year.

# School Improvement Council Members 2014 – 2015

Craig Bramlett Holly Nix Rev. Eddie Bolin Caitlin O'Dell Melissa Dixon Maria Phillips Carol Gallman Shanna Ramsey Tamera Randolph Kevin Hall Melissa Greene **Bobby Rogers** Jeff Hughes Brian Smith Pam Hughes Melody Smith George Kirby **Robbin Smith** Ben McCall **Hunter Wright** Beth McCall Tina Wright

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Parent representatives are elected each spring. If you are interested in being on the ballot, please contact

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