

KNIGHT LIGHTS

437 GRADUATES

- 76% of senior class graduating with honors
- 22 Palmetto Fellows
- 90 Board of Trustees Awards
- Senior scholarships totaling more than 11.5 million dollars
- 10 South Carolina Board of Education Academic Achievement Awards
- 94% attending post-secondary institutions

A Note from Mr. Dowdell...



I thank you for a successful year at West Florence High School. We have worked diligently over the past year to bring more academic rigor into our classrooms. All of the classes and programs added at West Florence are designed to enrich our students' experiences and prepare them for bright futures. We look forward to working with you to continue building and sustaining relationships in order to equip our students with the tools necessary to thrive in the next decade.

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WF Vision

Our vision is for students to be productive and responsible citizens who are successful in an ever-changing society. Students will be provided a safe environment, optimal learning conditions, equitable opportunities, consistent support, encouragement, and respect for all.

GRADES: 9 — 12

ENROLLMENT: 1,707

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE: 25

SCHOOL COLORS: Green and Gold

SCHOOL MASCOT: KNIGHTS

WF Goals

- ◇ increase student achievement on standardized tests.
- ◇ prepare students for the technological skills required by modern society.
- ◇ reduce the student retention rate in all grades.
- ◇ assist students with career choices in preparation for the workplace or post-secondary education.

The West Florence School Improvement Council strives to share our Report to Parents and Community with all interested in our school. We encourage you to look over this information as well as visit our website often. The full School Report Card can be found under the SC Department of Education link on our School Improvement section of our website under Parent Links.

State Vision for Student Success

Below is the definition for Student Success based on state and federal recommendations:

College Readiness Measures

- Scores a composite score of 20 or higher on the ACT composite;
- Scores a composite score of 1,020 or higher on the SAT composite;
- Scores a 3 or higher on an Advanced Placement (AP) exam; or
- Completes at least 6 credit hours in dual credit enrollment course.

Career Readiness Measures

- CATE completer and earns a national or state industry credential as determined by the business community; or
- Earns a Silver, Gold, or Platinum National Career Readiness Certificate on the WorkKeys exam (or comparable levels on another career readiness test); or
- Earns a score of 31 or higher on the ASVAB; or
- Completes a state-approved work-based learning experience.

Graduation Rate

On-Time Graduation Rate



School Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate

| | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| School | 87.00 | 87.50 | 88.70 | 85.10 |
| District | 81.60 | 84.40 | 84.50 | 82.10 |
| State | 80.30 | 82.60 | 84.60 | 81.00 |

WEST IS BEST!

WFHS Stem Magnet Program

The STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Magnet program at West Florence High School is an honors magnet program that accelerates and enriches learning experiences for students who are academically gifted and have an interest in STEM related majors and careers. Our STEM Magnet Program creates learning experiences which enable students to pursue AP courses, research, and/or internships in a field of interest. We will offer experiences that create integration of studies across the curriculum. After successfully completing the STEM Magnet program, students will be highly competitive for admission to rigorous university programs.

STEM approved/AP course list in science, engineering, technology, math, and English.

Some of these include:

- ⇒ Cyber Security Fundamentals
- ⇒ Civil and Architectural Engineering
- ⇒ Aerospace Engineering
- ⇒ Medical Interventions & Research HN
- ⇒ Biomedical Innovations & Research HN
- ⇒ AP Computer Science
- ⇒ STEM AP Human Geography