

Lake City High School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by preparing students who are equipped with the tools necessary to achieve success. Lake City High School serves approximately 900 students in grades 9-12.

Our trend of continuous academic improvement was apparent with the Lake City High School Class of 2016 earning more than 2 million dollars in scholarships. Through a new partnership with Florence-Darlington Technical College, more than 100 students participated in dual-enrollment classes, earning college credit while still in high school. As part of this partnership, we were able to establish the Lake City High School Early College—a cohort of students who will have the opportunity to graduate from LCHS with both a high school diploma and an associate's degree.

Students at LCHS excelled in numerous areas this year and received well-deserved recognition for their achievements. This year, one student received the prestigious Coca-Cola Scholarship, valued at \$20,000. Four students won at the regional competition for National History Day and will compete at the state competition. The LCHS Athletic Department was named a South Carolina High School League (SCHSL) Palmetto Gold and Sportsmanship recipient twice this year. One student athlete was named a member of the North-South All-Star Football Team, and two students were named members of the North-South All-Star Baseball Team. Student athletes have completed more than 3,000 community service hours, and at least five student athletes have signed with colleges.

The Lake City High School Career and Technology Education (CATE) Center continues to grow and offers students opportunities to participate in work-based learning through internships and shadowing options. Our CATE program offers courses in Culinary Arts, Masonry, Health Science, Firefighting, Business, and Automotive Technology. CATE students participated in the state Skills USA competitions and earned recognition in a variety of areas. One of our Masonry students placed first in his event at the state level and will compete in the national competition this summer.

The New Tech initiative at Lake City High School continued expanding this year, involving grades 9, 10, and 11. Through this innovative instructional approach, content is taught primarily through project-based learning, and students are immersed in a culture of trust, respect, and responsibility. Through New Tech, students have access to authentic and relevant learning while collaborating with peers and community partners.

Additionally, we continued to focus on service learning to help students develop as community members. Students participated in numerous efforts to give back to the community through various

initiatives and by volunteering at many local events. We increased our community partnerships by establishing mentoring and character education programs for different groups of students. We plan to continue this important work we have started this year in order to provide as much support for our students as possible.

At LCHS, we continue to work diligently to equip our students with the tools necessary to achieve success.

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