SIC Information

SIC members meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month to discuss various topics regarding school improvement. All are welcome!

Current SIC Members

- 1. Ted Richard (Chair)
- 2. Taylor Susie (Secretary)
- 3. Reena Watson (Principal)
- 4. Austin Abercrombie
- 5. Tracy Jackson
- 6. Tina Gilbert
- 7. Amy Styles
- 8. Del Tate
- 9. Kelli Rogers



Purpose of the SIC Parent Report

This report is issued by Blue Ridge High School 's School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goal and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.



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SIC Annual Goals

SIC annual goals included (1) Putting Blue Ridge High School on the Map by serving the needs of others in the community and surrounding areas, (2) Continue in developing a new mentoring program for community volunteers, and (3) Beautification of our school grounds with the help of community volunteers.

iTime and Teen Achievers Initiative

This year Blue Ridge High School implemented a new program to support our student's needs called iTime. iTime occurs twice weekly: every Tuesday, students report to their advisory class to complete various activities coordinated by our local YMCA, this program is called the YMCA Teen Achiever program. Every Thursday, students can get tutoring, working on homework, make-up missing work, or if they are all caught up academically, relax and recuperate from the day. To encourage students to take advantage of iTime, our school's administration team created quarterly "celebrations" for students who met certain criteria, with the purpose of helping our student increase their own academic performance.

'Sign' of the Times:

Another big focus this year has been raising money for our school to purchase a new digital sign. This initiative is a continuation of "Putting Blue Ridge on the Map." This digital sign will be invaluable in communicating to our surrounding community and give us a better avenue for advertising all of the wonderful things that are happening at 'The Ridge'.

Mentor Program—It takes a village!

Our school has made a large effort in opening our doors to the community with the intention of increasing the amount and parents, community members, and other interested parties involvement with student achievement, community relations, and a creating a more open and inviting environment to the greater Northern Greenville Community.

G+ Options

Producing graduates that are college and career ready is a responsibility that we do not take lightly. As such, Blue Ridge High School offered 15 Dual Credit/AP classes and at least 3 career certificates during the 2018-2019 School Year.

Academics Highlights

For the 2017-2018 school year (previous school year), the



percent of students scoring a C or higher on the English I, Algebra I, Biology I, and US History EOC was higher in all categories when compared to the state!

Athletics Highlights

Visit <u>https://tinyurl.com/BRHSathletics</u> to check out all of this year's athletic awards and accomplishments.

Fine Arts Highlights

- Our Orchestra program had three students make the Region Honors Orchestra and one student was an alternate. Two students made the All-County Honors Orchestra.
- Eighteen students made the South Carolina Allstate Chorus – the most students from one school in Greenville County.

School Recognitions

 Brenda Wright, Ag Science teacher, was awarded South Carolina Young Farmers and Agribusiness Association Advisor of the Year 2018-2019! Way to represent the Ridge.

- Mrs. Leslie Susie was awarded \$784.00 from the Greater Greer Foundation Grant for a math and reading center in her classroom.
- Coach Weathers has been selected to coach in the 2019 SCWCA Best Western North South All Star classic.
- Mr. Travis Farnham was awarded the Golden Apple Teacher of the Week in December of 2018.
- Ms. Emily Thompson was awarded the "Frameworks Grant" in the amount of \$250.00 for the second year in a row.
- At the 2019 FBLA Districts we had seven students place first in an event, one student place second, two students place third, and three students place fifth. The first through fourth place winners will be traveling to San Antonio, Texas this summer to compete at the 2019 National Conference.
- The P.L.U.S. Institute at Roper Mountain Science Center is graciously funded by the Educational Improvement Act. Ms. Roberts will participate in the Physics 9th-12th grade course and receive \$1000 in FREE Materials for her classroom.
- One of our students won a \$20,000 AFJROTC Chief of Staff Flight Academy Private Pilot Scholarship. She will attend a nine-week flight training program with 120 other high school students across the United States who will earn their private pilot's license and up to 12 college credits.
- Three BRHS students made the top 5 in the J. Harley Bonds Career Center "Amazing Shake" challenge - and the overall winner was a Blue Ridge Tiger.

Blue Ridge High School is a high school located near the Blue Ridge Mountains and is one of 14 high schools in GCSD, the 44th largest school district in the United States!

