

## Our vision at BRHS is to create a school where...

Each student will feel that the curriculum has prepared him/her for college/workforce. and is relevant, challenging, and interesting.

The curriculum will always be expanding, never stagnant, and changing to meet the needs of the student.

Instruction will value student input and be enhanced with technology when applicable.

Varied methods of instruction will be used with emphasis on student involvement.

Instruction will be accurate, well-planned, professional, and effective.

Each student will be assessed proportionately on content and skills taught in the instructional process and be aware of the expectations that will be assessed.

A variety of assessments will be used that are fair, accurate, and require critical thinking.

Students, teachers, and administration will feel pride and ownership in BRHS.

BRHS will be safe, clean, comfortable, and provide an atmosphere conducive to learning.

BRHS's environment will reflect student accomplishments and will set the standard for all other schools in the Southeast.

### SIC members

Chandra Cisson, Chairman

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## 2011 School Report Card

### Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards Recipient

Absolute Rating— Excellent

Improvement Rating— Excellent



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# School Improvement Council

# Report to the Parents



## Achievements

\* BR FFA members Brantley Madden, Chance Corwin and River Hawkins 3rd place in State FFA Ag. Mechanics CDE \* BR Ag. Dept. new 24 X 48 greenhouse \* Twenty three students attended the 2012 FBLA District Conference at NationsFord in February 2012. All of the students qualified to attend the State Conference in March. \* Twenty-one students attended the 2012 FBLA State Conference in Charleston South Carolina in March 2012. Nine of the students qualified to attend the 2012 National Conference in San Antonio, Texas this June. Eight students will be competing this summer at the National Conference \* Steven Pruitt named SC Conservation Teacher of the year \* Cadets Zach Arms, Shaun Belue, Tevon Bullard, Andrew Gedenberg, Kristin Johnston, Sarah Nathanson, Micheal O'Driscoll, and DJ Reece received awards at 2012 Cadet Leadership School, Converse College, for outstanding performance. \* Cadets performed over 1600 hours of community service. \* Color guards for many school and athletic events \* Conducted 9/11 ceremonies for Greer and Greenville communities. \* Conducted a flag retirement ceremony at Travelers Rest City Hall. \* Hosted a Veterans Day program and luncheon honoring local veterans, with the guest speaker Mr. Murray Garrett, former Mayor of Travelers Rest. \* 40 cadets marched in the Greer and Travelers Rest Christmas Parades. \* Hosted 6<sup>th</sup> annual fall blood drive, collecting 170 units \* Supported Guidance and provided program briefing during BRMS 8<sup>th</sup> grade registration. \* Color guard at Massing of the Colors, Scottish Rite Temple, Monster Truck Show at Bi-Lo Center, and Crestview Elementary reading day parade. \* Sponsored the Relay for Life (RFL) Pageant, raising over \$2,600 for American Cancer Society (ACS).

# Report to the Parents

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\* Cadet Awareness Presentation Team conducted five middle school and two events at the area elementary schools. \* Conducted 3 adopt-a-road trash collections along Pennington Road. \* Cadets raised over \$1,200 and supported the March of Dimes annual walk-a-thon. \* Color guard and cadets led the Tribute to Veterans at the Greer Family Fest. \* Will host the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Cadet Awards Banquet on 15 May, with invited guests presenting 16 national awards to deserving cadets. \* Will provide a color guard for Relay for Life Greer event on 18 May. \* Will provide a color guard in the Great Scott Parade on 25 May. \* Will provide a color guard for School Awards Night, 21 May, as well as for Graduation, 1 June. \* 25 cadets will have the opportunity to attend 2013 Cadet Leadership School at Converse College, 15-21 July 2012. \* The Blue Ridge Wind Ensemble performed at the 9/11 ceremony at Taylors First Baptist Church in front of 4,000 people including One United States Senator, Three State Senators and several other elected officials \* Marching Band won first place in their class at the Byrnes High School Tournament of Bands \* Marching Band won 1st Place in their class this at the Old English Festival of Bands in Rock Hill \* Marching Band qualified for the AAA Marching Band Playoffs for the 17th year in a row with a solid 3rd place finish at the AAA Upper State Band Contest \* Marching Band had a 3rd place finish at the AAA State Finals. The band has finished in the top 3 at State 9 of the last 10 years \* BRHS's Corps of Cadets Band was nominated Band of the Week by WYFF4 against Greer \* BRHS Chorus students were selected to participate in the Greenville County Schools 2012 District Honor Choir Soprano: Melanie Seppala, Alex White, Laura Harrison, Kristen Dilleshaw-Alto: Virginia Bishop, Barrett Tyler, Lizzy Brown Tenor: Luke Schneider, Michael Cheek, Jacob Neeley, Clayton Sudduth-Bass: Jack Downie, Zach Arms, JP Teague, Jake Fowler \* Anri Ballew and Kelsey Moser

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\* Blue Ridge JCL chapter had an excellent showing March 24 at Cardinal Newman HS in Columbia at the SCJCL spring convention. Marc Western placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Latin derivatives and 4<sup>th</sup> in mythology. Ray Hill placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Latin derivatives and 5<sup>th</sup> in Latin grammar. Emily Gullette placed 1<sup>st</sup> in watercolor art. Our boys and girls chariot teams placed 1<sup>st</sup>. Our t-shirt design placed 2<sup>nd</sup>. In the election of officers, Analys David was elected the SCJCL secretary for the 2012-2013 school year \* The Blue Ridge High FFA and Student Council wish to thank the entire school for your participation in Can Food Drive Challenge with Greer. All food and money will be distributed to Greer Community Ministries \* Nine students attended the SCJCL Fall Forum at Lexington High School in Lexington, SC. The students (and/or chapter) won a number of awards: our Novice Certamen Team (Certamen is like quiz bowl) placed 2nd; our chapter placed 2nd in the spirit competition; placed 2nd in level one vocabulary, and placed 1st in mythology. \* Congratulations go out the Academic Team in its showing at the North Greenville Academic Tournament. With victories over Southside, Chapman, Thomas Jefferson, and Seneca, Blue Ridge ended the tournament with a 4 and 3 record. Titus Snyder did particularly well finishing the tournament ranked number 3 out of approximately 150 students. \* Congratulations to Blue Ridge High School: The Eat Local Food project has earned the "Champions of the Environment Seedling Award." The amount of the award was \$500 \* Kevin Rhoney, a senior at Blue Ridge High School, received the honor of being selected as the Valedictorian of Furman University's "Bridges to a Brighter Future" summer program. "Bridges to a Brighter Future" is a college enrichment program \* Adam Wilson was one of thirty-two students chosen to attend the South Carolina Physics Scholars Institute at Francis Marion University last month. \* Mrs. Wardlaw has been selected as a recipient of a 2012 Target Field Trip Grant \* BRHS is the recipient of the FY2012



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\* Bryton Griffin was named the Greer Citizen Offensive Player of the Week \* Caleb Rowe was named the Greer TD Club Offensive Player of the Week \* Caleb Rowe, Bryton Griffin, and Brennen Griffin were named the Greenville TD Club's Players of the Week \* BRHS Varsity Football Team made it to the playoffs \* Bryton Griffin was chosen to play in the North/South All-Star game. \* Caleb Rowe named to the 2011 Shrine Bowl Team \* Girls Cross Country Team repeated as the Region 3 AAA Champs. They also qualified for the State Championship by taking 6th place in the Upper State Championship. \* Boys Cross Country Team took 2nd in the Region 3 AAA Championship. They also qualified for the State Championship by taking 9th place in the Upper State Championship \* Congratulations to the BRHS Swim Team for qualifying for the State Swim Meet \* BRHS Volleyball Team finished 3rd in the Region and qualifying for the State Playoffs. \* Girls cross country team finished in 6th place at the State Cross Country meet \* Varsity Cheerleaders placed 6th at the SC State Cheer Championship \* The following students made All Region for Region III 3A for the fall season: Girls' Tennis: Emily Turman and Kelley Chapman, Volleyball: Hannah Dockery and Alexis Sellers, Football: Caleb Rowe, Bryton Griffin, Tyshawn Richardson, T. J. Howard, Sam Nunamacher, and Cory Dogan, Girls' Golf: Taylor Lance and Kaycee Blackwell, Girls' Cross Country: Jacey Holombo, Catherine Harvey, Abbey Kyzer, Aysia Cooper, and Casey Cox Boys' Cross Country: Rodney Johnson, Patrick Stephenson, and Davis Ross \* Lady Tigers Golf Team won their region again this year \* Ross Mathis and Courtney Robinson were recognized by the Upstate Basketball Club and received awards for outstanding performances. Courtney was also named Greer Citizens Athlete of the Week.