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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.

Blue Ridge High School

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Report to Parents

2016—2017



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Achievements

- Ethan Ham represented Blue Ridge High School and the State of South Carolina at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Boston, Massachusetts, in June. He received the Award of Excellence.
- Mason Hand and Keillen Rico Espinoza were selected by the National Academy of Future Scientists and Technologists Award of Excellence for outstanding academic achievement, leadership potential, and determination to serve humanity in the field of science and technology.
- Cole Styles' and Reid Warner's Reflections entries placed first at the school level. Cole's photography entry and Reid's literature entry will move on to the district and state level of judging.
- Gizmos Bookend the Break Contest 2016 Winner for High School Science was Emily Annas.
- ACE Award Winners for 2017 were Summer Connell and Micah Arms. Summer and Micah will represent Blue Ridge High School at the Annual Ace Awards Banquet.
- David Dunlap, Reed Howell, and Sam Stewart finished 1st place in 3D Animation and Josh Smith finished 2nd in Help Desk competitions at the SC FBLA State Conference in Charleston, SC. These students will be representing BRHS and SC at the FBLA National Conference in Anaheim, California this summer.
- Cody Morrow won 1st place in the CNC Turning Specialist contest. Austin Moore won 2nd place in the Customer Service contest. John Joines won 3rd place as part of a 5 person team in the High Performance Engine Building contest.
- A Blue Ridge High Team which consisted of JROTC and the National Honor Society participated in the March of Dimes event at Greenville Tech Main Campus. Team BRHS was awarded for the school with the highest contribution. The team raised over \$3,000 for this worthy cause.

Athletics

Region Championships:

- Cheerleading
- Boys Golf
- Baseball

Playoff Appearances:

- Girls and Boys Soccer
- Boys Tennis
- Softball
- Baseball
- Football
- Volleyball

Wrestling:

- The wrestling team finished with a 15-14 record and a AAAA playoffs win over South Aiken. Individually, the Tigers had two wrestlers place at the AAAA State Championship Tournament. Congrats to freshman Tyler Byars for taking 2nd place at 106lbs and senior Christian Mills for taking 3rd place at 182lbs.

Cross Country:

- The boys and girls cross country team placed 8th and 3rd respectively at the state meet. Austin Terault, Austin Lane, and Kyle Thompson placed high enough to be considered All-State.

Track and Field:

- The girls 4x800 team of Gabriella Conceicao, Jessica Owens, Jasmine Dockery, and Hannah Pratt set a school record by running 10:08.49 and placing 2nd qualifying for the state meet. The boys 4x800 captured the 8th and final qualifying spot. In the 1600 Hannah Pratt placed 7th securing her a place at the state meet along with Austin Terault with his 8th place finish.

Cheerleading:

- Maddie Barnes was selected for The Greenville News Sports Awards Competitive Cheer Team for the 2016-17 academic year. Maddie is also one of the three finalists for the Competitive Cheerleader of the Year.

Fine Arts

Band

- The Corps of Cadets won its class at the James F.

Byrnes Tournament of Bands, took 1st Place in class in Music Performance, Overall Effect, and Guard. Tied for 3rd Place overall out of 24 bands, and 2nd on the day in Visual Effect.

- The Corps of Cadets finished 3rd out of 20 bands at 3A Upper State Championships. Overall, the band won Music Effect and tied for first in Overall Effect.
- The band students received the "Outstanding Performance Award" for 2016-17. The OPA is awarded to bands for outstanding achievement in marching, concert performance, Region/All-State participation, and "Superiors" earned at Solo & Ensemble. This is the highest honor given to bands by the state of South Carolina.

Orchestra

- The Orchestra was awarded a \$500 ABC Teacher Mini-Grant, and also competed in Atlanta where it was awarded 1st Place Superior in Division IV for String Orchestra—the highest rating an orchestra can achieve.

Chorus

- The BRHS Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, and Honors Women's Choir earned Superior with Distinction ratings at the South Carolina State Choral Performance Assessment in Columbia. All three choirs received straight superiors (the highest rating you can get) from three collegiate adjudicators on the performance portion of the festival, as well as the sight-singing portion. This qualified them for the top award of Superior with Distinction. They have been placed among the highest scores in the state across all 5 divisions.
- The Concert Choir competed in the Smoky Mountain Music Festival. The Concert Choir received first place across all divisions, the highest honor awarded.
- 24 members of the choir performed with Eric Church on May 6th at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena.

Theatre

- The following students competed in individual events at the Palmetto Dramatic Association in February: Marlee Daniel, Reid Warner, Kaylyn Good, David Dunlap, Kimberly Rodriguez, Tahtiana Garcia, Morgan-Ryan Cassell.
- ITS Officers for the 2017-2018 school year: President – Kaylyn Good, Vice President – Aspen Craig, Treasurer – Morgan Cassell.