

## 2015-2016 Awards & Honors

### Academic

- \* 2014 Palmetto Gold Award Winner
- \* National Merit Winner: 1 (2014), 6 (2015), 1 (2016)
- \* National AP Scholars: 35 (2014), 20 (2015), 32 (2016)
- \* National Merit Finalists 6 (2013), 4 (2014), 6 (2016)
- \* Presidential Scholar nominees.: (2014), 1 (2015)
- \* Presidential Scholar Winner: 1 (2015), 1 (2016)
- \* Perfect SAT Math score: 1 (2012), 1 (2015)
- \* Perfect SAT Reading score: 5 (2014), 2 (2015)
- \* GCS Highest ACT score: 1, (2015), 1 (2016)
- \* IB Diploma, 17 (2014); IB Certificate, 40 (2014), 26 (2015)

### Athletic

- \* AAA Region Champions: Boys Basketball, (2016)
- \* AAA Region Champions: Boys Track 4 x 100, (2015)
- \* AAA Region Champions: Girls Basketball, (2014, 2015)
- \* 1 North/South All Stars: Girls Basketball, (2015)
- \* 1 Shrine Bowl All Stars: Football, (2015)

### Air Force Junior ROTC

- \* 2nd Place SC Upstate Regional Drill Championships, (2014, 2016)
- \* 2nd Place Clemson Tiger AFJROTC Meet, (2014), (2016)
- \* National JROTC Academic Challenge qualifier, (2013)
- \* SC High School State All Services Drill Champion, (2013)

### Arts

- \* AA State Band Finalist, 8th Overall (2015)
- \* AA Upper State Band Championships, Excellent, (2014), 4th Place (2015)
- \* All Region One Honor Band, 1 (2014), 3 (2015)
- \* All County Band, 3 (2014), 5 (2015)
- \* All District Chorus: 9 (2013), 9 (2014), 11 (2015)

### Academic Team

- \* 1<sup>st</sup> in State, 2016
- \* District Scholastic Scoreboard Champion (2015)
- \* PACE National Scholastic Championships, 4th Overall, (2015)

### Forensic Team

- \* #46 Forensic National Ranking
- \* SC National Forensic League District Champions (2009-2015)
- \* NSDA School of Honor, 2014
- \* CFL School of Excellence Award in Speech, 2014
- \* 2014 3A Coach of the Year
- \* AAA State Champions, 2009-2016

Our Diversity is Our Strength: Did you know that . . .

**Southside High School** students speak 22 languages?

### Tiger Pride: Outstanding Programs & Events

- \* International Baccalaureate Program, 1<sup>st</sup> established in SC
- \* 16 Advanced Placement (AP) Courses
- \* 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy
- \* Sophomore Institute
- \* AAA Athletic Program,
- \* Fine Arts: Band, Chorus, Drama, Piano, Guitar
- \* International Festival
- \* Virtual School, GE Tutoring, & Triple A Tutoring
- \* 2014 Palmetto Gold Award Winner

### Co-Curricular Activities

Academic Team	Junior Marshals
Air Force JROTC Drill Team	Kitty Hawk Society
Art	Knitting Club
Black History Month	Miss Southside
Book Pack Program	Mu Alpha Theta Math Club
Bowling	National Honor Society
Chess	Prom
Class Sponsors	Psychology
Data Analysis	Quantum Physics Club
Drama Club	Red Cross Club
Environmental Club	SAM Team
Filmmaking	Step Team
Forensic Team	Spirit Club (Posse)
Games Club	SRS Scheduling Club
Gardening Club	Student Council
Graduation	Sunshine Club
Homecoming	Technology Club
Honor Roll	Tiger Ambassadors
Interact Club	Tiger Pride Beautification
International Festival	Venture Club

**Athletic Teams:** Girls Basketball (JV & Varsity); Boys Basketball (JV & Varsity); Boys Baseball (Varsity); Girls Softball (Varsity); Girls Tennis (Varsity); Boys Tennis (Varsity); Girls Cross Country (Varsity); Boys Cross Country (Varsity); Girls Golf (Varsity); Boys Golf (Varsity); Boys Soccer (Varsity); Girls Volleyball (Varsity); Girls Track & Field (Varsity); Boys Track & Field (Varsity); Boys Football (JV & Varsity); Cheerleading (JV & Varsity)

## Southside High School

An International Baccalaureate High School

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Celebrating Diversity. United in Learning.



## Annual Report to the Community

2015-2016



*The purpose of Southside High School is to promote learning as a lifelong endeavor and to provide a comprehensive learning environment with opportunities for all students to develop to their fullest capacity and be productive members of a rapidly changing global and technological society.*

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## School Improvement Council

Monthly meetings take place on the second Tuesday of the month at 1 PM in the Media Center.

### Elected Members (2 year term)

Jessie Bowens	Parent (2015); SIC Chair
Tracy Hall	Teacher (2015)
Tonya Parrott	Parent (2015)
Deana Harrill	Teacher (2015)
Kenneth Gause	Teacher (2015)
Mackenzie Borum	Student (2015), Sr. Class Pres.
Azah Merrill	Student (2015), Student Body Pres.

### Appointed Community Members (1-2 year term)

Nutan Malde, Tara Mosley,  
Dexter Reaves, Bradley Robinson

### Ex Officio

<b>Carlos Brooks</b>	Principal
<b>Tracy Hall</b>	Administrator for Curriculum & Instr.

### Mission Statement

Southside High School Improvement Council recognizes that a student's education is a responsibility shared by the school, family, and community. We desire to build and establish a working relationship with Southside students' families to promote parental involvement to support student learning.

### Tag Line

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### Facility:

2-story building built in 2006 \* 44 acres of land \* iPad lab \* 500-seat auditorium \* Well-equipped media center \* 2 Chrome Book labs

\* 7 computer labs \* IB Design Tech/Robotics Lab \* 3 gyms \* 6 tennis courts \* Band room \* Chorus Room \* Well-equipped science labs \* Promethean board technology \* Greenhouse \* Physics & Engineering Lab

## 2015-2016 Programs and Events Highlights

- **IBPC** hosted a 'College Application Essay Writing' Workshop facilitated by Carol Wilson (Wofford Univ.) and Savita Nair (Furman Univ.)
- **College Application Day:** Advisors from area colleges assisted seniors in completing their college applications.
- **9<sup>th</sup> Grade Character Education Program** (sponsored by the YMCA)
- **Sophomore Institute:** In partnership with the National Association of Black Engineers, the Sophomore Institute was founded in 2015
- **International Festival:** 400+ attendees and participants celebrated the diversity of SHS students' cultural heritages with a huge "potluck" dinner and student performances of song, dance, and recitation.
- **Triple A/GE Tutoring:** Tutorial and after-school programs are designed to support academic growth in all students.
- **Drama:** Drama students presented two productions, one each semester.
- **PTSA:** Serving student needs and welcoming family volunteers in Hospitality, Membership, School Store, Staff Appreciation as well as in support of PTSA school events.
- **Senior Prom:** A night of music and memories for Southside juniors and seniors.
- **School-wide Character Ed Program:** Students participated in a school-wide character education program centered around making good choices
- **Choral Concerts:** Twice a year musical programs presented by Southside's choral groups.
- **Band Concerts:** Twice a year band concerts presented by Southside's Orange Express Band.

## 2015—School Report Card

**Absolute Rating:**                      **Average**  
**Improvement Rating:**           **Average**

**Poverty index:**                              **66.1% (↓)**  
**On-time Graduation Rate:**           **77.6% (↑)**  
**2015 5-Year Grad Rate:**               **74.5% (↑)**

### SIC Goals and Improvement Strategies:

Southside High School has implemented several strategies to improve student achievement this year. The SIC receives regular updates on these important initiatives:

- The administration identified students whose academic performance suggests they would benefit from GCSD's Life Long Learning program, and PTSA provided funding so that students in danger of not graduating could transfer to the program, which provides flexible instruction and special attention to the needs of at-risk students.
- The administration manages record keeping via a database—for test results as well as enrollment and withdrawal dates—to insure that students are on track for graduation, whether at Southside or another school.
- The Freshmen Academy is in its eight year of full implementation. Assistant Principal Justin Ludley works closely with a team of teachers to implement programming throughout the year to ensure that all freshmen have opportunities to succeed. Benchmark testing and incentives have been used during the school year to gauge student understanding and reward academic progress.

