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Blue Ridge Middle School provides a variety of extracurricular activities & highly competitive athletic programs:

- Vex Robotics Volleyball BRMS Talent Show
- Girls and Boys Basketball Softball Baseball
- Girls and Boys Soccer Student Ambassadors
- Science Club Wrestling Track Cheerleading
- Football Cross Country Beta Club
- Walking Club Student Council Red Ribbon
- Extended Day Program Tennis
- Criminal Justice Club Creative Designs Club

SIC Members 2022-2023

- Karen Bullard—Principal
- Jay Grady—Assistant Principal
- Andrew Marshall—Community Member
- Jim Barbare—Community Member
- Beverly Willbanks—Community Member
- Nicole Sullivan—Teacher
- Page Lundeen—Teacher
- Charlie Kendrick—Teacher
- Stephanie Howard—Parent
- Tabitha Brower—Parent
- Ben Ludwick—Parent



Blue Ridge Middle School is a sixth, seventh, and eighth grade school located in the northwestern corner of South Carolina. As part of the Greenville County School District, Blue Ridge Middle has the largest geographical attendance area, currently serving 910 students in a traditional and virtual setting. BRMS has 94 employees, which include 56 full-time teachers, 4 administrators and 4 school counselors, plus support staff.

BRMS also offers Gifted and Talented courses for our students in the Challenge Program through Language Arts and advanced Math placement. Blue Ridge Middle School provides opportunities for students to take courses that offer high school credit Carnegie Units:

- English 1 Honors Algebra 1 Honors
- Art 1
- Personal Finance Fundamentals of Computing

Every 8th grade student participates in an Individual Graduation Plan conference (IGP). These conferences are designed to guide students toward their educational, career, and employment goals.

We also offer a wide variety of Related Arts classes to help ignite an interest of learning in non-traditional classroom settings.

- Band Reading Assistance PE
- Gateway to Technology Health
- Skill Building Service Learning
- Release Time Exploratory Chorus
- Careers Strings Art

School Improvement Council Report to the Community 2022 - 2023



Blue Ridge Middle School

Where positive attitudes and understanding hearts make a great school community!



2022 – 2023 BRMS School Improvement Council

BRMS SIC is firmly committed to three goals:

1. Raising Academic Performance of Each Student.
2. Ensuring a Safe, Responsible and Respectful School Environment.
3. Engaging Community and Stake Holders in the School Environment.

This year, our School Improvement Council has provided sanitary packages for students in need, supplies for Tiger Time projects, and presents and prizes for teachers.



Accolades 2022-2023

- Robotic State Champions – 3 Teams Going to the World Championship Competition
- 1st and 2nd place, Peace Poster Winners
- 18 PSAT Junior Scholars
- 6 All-County Band and Orchestra Participants
- 1 All State Band Winner
- 1st place PTA Reflections winner
- Multiple awards at SC Beta Club Convention
- 1st and 3rd place SC Wrestling Tournament
- Baseball Preseason Tournament Winner
- Excellent Rating for Orchestra
- 2 Superior Ratings for Band
- Named as a School To Watch by the National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grades Reform



Tiger Time

Tiger Time is held semimonthly and it is an opportunity for students to participate in enrichment opportunities such as golf, creative design, banjo, and many others. It is also an opportunity for students to build stronger relationships with the adults in the building. The groups are small and based on student and teacher interest.

Traditional Responsibilities of a School Improvement Council

The School Improvement Council (SIC) serves as an advisory committee to the school's principal and faculty. SIC plays a key role in the education of our state's children, bringing together parents, educators and community stakeholders to work collectively to improve their local schools.

Student Leadership

In addition to Student Council and Beta Club, The Student Ambassador program offers students the opportunity to show leadership throughout the school. Student Ambassadors apply at the end of their 6th grade year and then go through an interview process with school administrators before being accepted into the program.

Schools To Watch Hear Us ROAR!

Blue Ridge Middle School is named School to Watch by the National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grades Reform.

This designation is a result of a two-year process in which we studied and critiqued our current options and created new options for our students and stakeholders in the following 4 areas:

- Academic Excellence
- Developmental Responsiveness
- Social Equity
- Organizational Structures and Processes



Academic Programs and Initiatives 2022-2023

In addition to our content and related arts classes, we have other opportunities available that provide educational opportunities for the students of Blue Ridge Middle School.

- Writing in all disciplines
- Teaming
- Literacy Emphasis
- Read to Succeed Initiatives
- Google Classroom
- Discovery Learning Education
- Interventions – both academic and behavior
- Skill Building
- SC Junior Book Award Reading Program
- Book Fair (Media Center)