

Student Achievement

For the 2021-2022 school year, Wren High School continued to rank among the highest in the state on mandated testing such as End of Course Testing, AP, and SAT/ACT. Our 2021 SAT and ACT scores were higher than both the district and state averages. In addition, our school's AP exam passage rates were higher than both the state and national averages with three of our programs, AP Literature, AP Research, and AP Seminar, securing a 100% passage rate.

Our school's EOC passage rates improved from last year, especially in the areas of English 2 (94.3% compared to 93% in 2021) and US History (72.4% compared to 65.8% in 2021).

Lastly, Wren High School's graduation rate also improved from 93.2% in 2021 to 95.6% in 2022. Wren High School was once again recognized by US News & World Report as one of the top high schools in the Nation.

"To view the entire report card for Wren High School for the 2020-2021 school year, look for the "REPORT CARDS" section on the South Carolina State Department of Education website. www.ed.sc.gov."

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Purpose of the Report

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

Wren High School **Annual SIC** **"Report to the Parents"** **2021-2022**



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Mission Statement

Wren High School aims to prepare students for the future by providing each student with the opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills, and character necessary to excel and contribute in a challenging and global society.

SIC Annual Goals

Goal 1: Wren High School will continue to maintain test scores on the SAT and ACT scores above the national and state averages for both tests in all areas.

Goal 2: The students of Wren High School will annually improve performance on the SC EOCEP by 1% above the state average following End of Course Exams: Algebra, English I, Biology, and U.S. History and 1% on the overall passing average of the state.

Goal 3: Wren High School will increase the percentage of students achieving at least a Silver Certificate on the Career Readiness Assessment in order to achieve the goal of having students be considered College/Career Ready upon graduation from high school.

The SIC plays an important advisory role in the accomplishment of the above goals. The variety of input that the SIC provides is useful in making important decisions. Perspectives from inside the school (teachers and administrators) meet with perspectives of those outside the school (parents and community members). Together, we discuss goals, allocation of resources, policies and procedures, and the vision for Wren High School.

School Achievements

Our students and faculty continue to be recognized and represent our school and community as some of the best in the state of South Carolina.

Non-Academic Awards and Accomplishments:

1. Our **Students in Action Team** won a Jefferson Award and placed first in the state. At Nationals, the team won the Student Choice Award and a Gold Banner. Poorva Dalvi, Breana Leonard, and Monica Lindsey won the Outstanding Service Leadership Award.
2. Our **Varsity Boys' Track Team (coached by Larry Clark)** won the AAA State Championship in 2022. This victory marks two years in a row where our boys' team have brought home the championship trophy.
3. Our **Varsity Girls' Volleyball (coached by Amy Godfrey)** won upper state AAA and finished runner-up in the state championship game losing to Oceanside Collegiate Academy.
4. Our **Varsity Competition Cheerleading Team** (coached by Kristee Brady) won the AAA state championship. This was the first state championship for our cheerleading program at Wren.
5. The Wren High School NJROTC led by **CDR Kevin Borden** and **Master Chief Cliff Bailey** won the 2022 Upstate Cup, scoring the highest in Academics, Drill, and Rifle Team competitions. Wren NJROTC was also awarded the Distinguished Unit Award with Academic Honors by the Area Six Manager **Commader Gart Jones**.

Wren High School Teacher of the Year

Christy Barbusca, an English teacher at Wren High School, was named the 2021 Wren High School Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Barbusca has had a strong impact in our school's Advanced Placement Program, as she has implemented the AP Seminar and Research classes to the English department. The addition of this program has allowed students to graduate with the prestigious AP Capstone Diploma which helps students stand out to prospective colleges and universities. We are blessed to have great teachers like Mrs. Barbusca at Wren High School.

Wren High School Support Staff of the Year

Pam Rogers, the study hall teacher at Wren High School, was named the 2021 Wren Support Staff Person of the Year. Throughout her 28 years at Wren, Mrs. Rogers has supported both students and staff in a variety of capacities. Regardless of her position, Mrs. Rogers has always had a willingness to do whatever it takes to make Wren a better place. Mrs. Rogers' passion for Wren has made her beloved by both the faculty and the students that she teaches. We thank Mrs. Rogers for continuing to make Wren a special place.