

## **Student Achievement**

For the 2023-2024 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 2023-2024 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 several of our programs scoring over 90% 3 or higher, AP Seminar (100%), AP Research (100%), and AP Calculus (91.7%), and APUSH (92.6%) securing a 100% passage rate.

While our school's EOC passage rates improved from last year, we especially showed growth on our EOC "C or higher" percentages in the areas of Biology (63.7% compared to 55.17% in 2022) which was the highest of any high school in Anderson, Pickens, and Oconee County

Lastly, Wren High School's graduation rate was the highest in ASD1 at 95.3%. 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 2023-2024 school year, look for the "REPORT CARDS" section on the South Carolina State Department of Education website. [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov)."*

## **Wren High School SIC Members**

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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" 2024-2025**



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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 consistently have the highest report card rating for high schools in ASD1 and the state.

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 achieve the Palmetto Gold Award for the 2024-2025 school year.

Goal 4: Wren High School will be recognized as a Model PLC at Work School for the 2024-2025 school year.

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.

### Academic Awards and Non-Academic Accomplishments:

1. The Wren High School NJROTC led by **CDR Nick Skirven** and **Chief Justin Franck** was awarded the Distinguished Unit Award with Academic Honors. This is a very prestigious honor for NJROTC units across the country.
2. Our school was not only awarded an **Excellent Report Card** rating from the SC Department of Education, but the school also won the **Palmetto Silver Award** for Academic Excellence. This award was based on Wren High students and teachers excelling in several areas, including graduation rate, college and career readiness, and End of Course test scores.
3. At the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year, Wren High School received the Model PLC at Work School by Solution Tree for our strong work on our Professional Learning Community and student academic growth.
4. Our athletic program at Wren High School finished in the top 5 of the 4A Carlisle Cup rankings for the 2024-2025 school year.

## Wren High School

### Teacher of the Year

Emily Boatwright, a science teacher at Wren High School, was named the 2023-2024 Wren High School Teacher of the Year. Ms. Boatwright teaches Biology, AP Biology, and Environmental Science, and her students consistently achieve strong scores on the Biology End-of-Course Exam. Beyond the classroom, she played a key role in launching the Wren Garden Club, fostering environmental awareness and hands-on learning opportunities for students.

## Wren High School

### Support Staff of the Year

Stacey Wigington, the job coach at Wren High School, was named the 2023-2025 Wren Support Staff Person of the Year. A former Spanish teacher, Mrs. Lee has seamlessly transitioned into her role managing the Edgenuity lab, where she supports students with dedication and care. Her commitment to enhancing our school community is evident in her continual efforts to find innovative ways to improve our environment. Additionally, as a faculty advisor for the Spanish National Honor Society, she continues to inspire students and foster a love for language and culture.