## **Our School Improvement Goals**

Goal 1: Develop a positive and purposeful brand for Conway Cluster schools

Goal 2: Increase AP course offerings and pass rates

Goal 3: Create and sustain a culture that supports digitalage teaching and learning

Goal 4: Raise the mean ACT score to 20 and the SAT combined verbal/math scores by 25 points.

Goal 5:

Increase Level 2 HSAP scores by 10% for subgroups

## Goal 6:

Meet or exceed district/state standards in EOCT pass rates

## Quaglia Comes to Conway

Community members and educators in the Conway Cluster adopted the Quaglia framework to heighten awareness of three guiding principles – Self Worth, Engagement & Purpose - and bring eight related conditions into school practice proven to enhance goal orientation and student confidence.

This internationally know framework is the centerpiece of the work at the Quaglia Institute, founded by Dr. Russ Quaglia. We are fortunate to be part of this incredibly successful work and look forward to a continuing three year relationship with the Quaglia team as these ideas and principles are implemented in all eight Conway schools.



#### The Purpose of Report to the Parents

As required by Act 135, the School Improvement Council at Conway High School has prepared this Annual School Summary Report to provide an update of our progress toward the school's major goals as indicated in our school improvement action plan. This report also includes accomplishments and test data from last year, as well as school improvement activities planned for this school year. Please take time to review this information and contact the school if you have any questions regarding this report. Your suggestions concerning the improvement of our school program are always welcome.



#### **AVID students visiting Francis Marion University**

## CHS AVID Program First Four Year Cohort A Success

More than 80% of our first four year AVID cohort signed on at colleges and universities. The AVID program provides students with essential skills and exposes its students to experiences promoting attainment of aspirations.

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Conway High School Receives New Covered Walkway!

## **Conway High School Vision**

To prepare students to be Independent, reflective thinkers, **G**rateful to those who helped them along the way, Expectant of outstanding instruction in every class, **R**esistant to the ills of our culture and society, Steadfast in being positive.

### Dear Parents and Stake Holders,

Conway High School had a successful year implementing programmatic initiatives that met the needs of its dynamic student population. School leadership teams involving students and faculty are active in discussing and addressing the important issues that bring about the kinds of changes necessary to further improve critical indicators of the school's learning community.

This year Conway High School earned a Silver Award in general performance from the SC Oversight Committee. Additionally, CHS is fully accredited by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and holds an All Clear Accreditation Classification from the SC Department of Education. Our annual report card shows both Absolute and Growth ratings are "Good" which indicates *the best overall performance in the last five years*. Our students, faculty, and staff continue to tackle challenges in all areas of endeavor ranging from building positive school culture to providing stimulating and engaging instruction, including ushering in a new three year relationship with the Quaglia Institute and a 1:1 technology rollout for all Conway High students.

As you look through the *Report to the Parents*, I hope you will gain a sense of the same excitement that is shared by our school administration and faculty. We are looking forward to increasing performance and greater support from our community. Tiger traditions and values have never been stronger. Come join us in sustaining the pride and spirit our diverse student population and community deserves.

It's a great day to be a Tiger!

Steven Fitch, Principal



RATINGS	OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD	67 12
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
2013	Good	Good*
2012	Average	Average
2011	Average	Good
2010	Average	At-Risk
2009	Average	Below Average
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\* The School's 2013 Growth Rating was raised one level because of substantial improvement in the achievement of students belonging to historically underachieving groups of students. The Growth Rating may or may not have been affected by the performance of these groups in prior years.

#### **ACT Composite Score**

SAT Combined Score

2011	17.4
2012	18.1
2013	18.9

2011	1383
2012	1380
2013	1425

	EOCT						
		English	n 1	Algebra 1	US History		Biology
	2011	70.8%		69.1%	47.1%		59.8%
	2012	68.4%		68.3%	50.3%		66.8%
	2013	66.49	%	70.5%	55.1.%		75.5%
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				HSAP			
				English		Math	
	2011		88%		77%		
	2012		87%		76%		
	2013			86%		78%	

# **Programs Offered at Conway High School**

#### AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination)

AVID is an elementary through postsecondary college readiness system that is designed to increase school-wide learning and performance. The AVID system accelerates student learning, uses research based methods of effective instruction, provides meaningful and motivational professional development, and acts as a catalyst for systemic reform and change. Students enrolled in rigorous classes, such as honors and Advanced Placement<sup>®</sup> as well as the AVID elective. For one period a day, students learn organizational and study skills, work on critical thinking and asking probing questions, get academic help from peers and college tutors, and participate in enrichment and motivational activities that make college seem attainable. The AVID curriculum, based on rigorous standards, was developed by middle and senior high school teachers in collaboration with college professors. AVID curriculum is used in AVID elective classes and in content-area classes in AVID schools. Students must apply to be a part of the AVID Program. Information is given to rising 9<sup>th</sup> grade students.

#### Advanced Placement Course Offerings

Conway High School offers several Advanced Placement courses for students wishing to pursue college-level coursework and possible college credit. Course offerings are available in all core subject areas, as well as the arts. Students should discuss enrollment in AP courses with their counselors and teachers. For more information go to <u>The College Board's Advanced Placement Site</u>.

Content Area	Exams Offered
English	English Language and Composition English Literature and Composition
World Language	Spanish Language
Mathematics	Calculus AB and Calculus BC
Science	Environmental Science
Social Studies	Human Geography, European History, U.S. History US Government, Psychology
Art	AP Studio Art, AP 2-D Design, AP 3-D Design



Advanced Placement Rush Week 2014