

# Excellence at White Knoll

## School

- Palmetto Gold Award 2010-2011, 2011-2012, and 2012-2013
- 2009 Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School
- WKHS Guidance Department named a Recognized American School Counselor Association Model Program 2009-2014

## Academic

- Class of 2012 earned almost 9.9 million dollars in scholarships; 17 students were awarded the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship, fifty-four percent earned LIFE Scholarships and twenty-seven earned HOPE Scholarships; 81 students were Honor Graduates (minimum 4.0 GPA)
- 2012 SAT Average Composite Score: 1392; Critical Reading: 469; Math: 481; and Writing: 442

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This year at WKHS, the Center for Public Health and Advanced Medical Studies offered students academic opportunities such as dual-enrollment courses, Advanced Placement Chemistry and Biology and externships to study abroad in Costa Rica for two weeks this summer.

White Knoll also continues to increase rigor in the classroom through Common Core State Standards, as well as support a 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning experience through the continuing integration of iPads into instruction and the implementation of a school-wide Digital Citizenship curriculum.

# Membership

## Parent Members

Jennifer McInnis  
Angie Meiggs, Co-Chair

## Community Members

Rick Counts  
Ray Jaber, Co-Chair  
Stark Ward

## Student Members

Sierra Small  
Maya Washington

## Teacher Members

Ashley Crowe  
Kimberly Gunter

## Ex-Officio Members

Ryan Player, Principal  
Jennifer McNair, Assistant Principal



*The Mission of White Knoll High School is to graduate students who are capable of thinking critically and who possess the attitude and character necessary to be productive citizens and life-long learners.*

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*This report is issued by the White Knoll High School 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.*

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## School Improvement Council Report to the Parents 2012-13



2012 School Report Card  
Absolute Rating: Excellent  
Improvement Rating: Excellent

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Ryan Player, Principal  
Brian Barrineau, Assistant Principal  
Rudy Cooper, Assistant Principal  
Jennifer McNair, Assistant Principal  
John Nix, Assistant Principal  
Adam Russell, Assistant Administrator

## School Improvement Goals

By 2015, 85% of students will graduate from White Knoll High School in four years.

By 2013, 84.5% of students will graduate from White Knoll High School in four years.

**The graduation rate for the Class of 2012 was 84%.**

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By 2015, 70% of students at White Knoll High School will attain Level 3 or higher as measured by the state assessment (HSAP).

By 2013, 63% of students at White Knoll High School will attain Level 3 or higher as measured by the state assessment (HSAP) on math and English, respectively.

**We exceeded our 2012 goal of 59% of students at Level 3 or higher on ELA with 62.2% of our students attaining a 3 or higher.**

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By 2015, the percent of students passing the EOCEP in Algebra I and English I will increase by 1% annually, while the passing rate in US History and Biology will increase by 2% annually from the 2009-2010 scores.

**2012 produced the following EOCEP passage rates:**

**Algebra I – 86.6% (increased from 10/11)**  
**English I – 77.6% (increased from 10/11)**  
**US History – 60.2% (increased from 10/11)**  
**Biology – 83.7% (increased from 10/11)**

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### Athletics

- Twelve Timberwolf football players were selected as 2012-2013 All-Area players.
- The 2012 football team set a school record for most wins in a season with 10 wins.
- Bret Jones, Varsity Basketball Coach, served as an assistant coach in the 2012-2013 SC North/South All-Star Basketball Game.



### Arts

- WKHS Marching Pride earned 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the 2012-2013 SC Band Directors Association AAAAA State Marching Championship.
- Twenty-seven students qualified for All-Region Band.
- Eight students qualified for All-State Chorus.
- Two plays qualified for the Palmetto Dramatic Association's SC Thespian High School Theatre Festival and the SC Original One-Act High School Playwriting Contest.
- WKHS Drama students earned Superior ratings for production, make-up design, and ensemble acting.



### Career and Technology

- Forty-four of forty-six WKHS Marketing Education students won awards at the 2012-2013 DECA Regional Competition.
- Thirty-seven WKSH DECA students won awards at the 2012-2013 SC State DECA Competitions.
- Twelve WKHS Virtual Enterprise students collaborated and won Best Trade Show Booth and Best Sales Pitch at the 2012-2013 Southeastern Trade Show.

### Staff Honors

- Amy Donaldson, school nurse, won the 2012-2013 Mary Ellen Hatfield Scholarship Award.
- Craig Wheatley, US History teacher, was inducted into the Newberry College Hall of Master Teachers in the fall of 2012.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. David Pelley, ROTC instructor, was awarded VFW Post 8738 2012-2013 High School Teacher of the Year, as well as Patriot of the Year, by the Lexington Knights of Columbus.
- Johnny Thompson, TMD teacher, received grants from Mid-Carolinas Bright Ideas for \$280 and a \$600 grant from SC Special Olympics.