

### SHS Priorities for 2014-2015

- Improve graduation rate
- Transition to Inquiry-Based Instructional Practices
- Increase the percentage of students who pass the End of Course tests
- Improve college and career readiness for high school students

#### School Improvement Council

##### Members 2014-2015

Ms. McKayla Spencer, Student  
Mr. Shaun Jacques, Assistant Principal  
Ms. Susan Hook, Parent  
Ms. Becky Cox, Parent  
Mr. Bryan Evans, Principal  
Ms. Valencia Jackson, Parent  
Ms. Kathy Mixon, Community Member  
Ms. Lisa Lucas, Parent  
Mr. Gregg Riley, Community Member  
Mr. Terrance Salley, Student  
Mr. Ty Jeffcoat, Student  
Ms. Beth Tuten, Teacher (**Chair**)  
Mr. Robert Frederick, Student  
Mr. Grayson Jones, Student  
Ms. Karen Marrero, Teacher

*“Ensuring Student Performance at the Highest Level”*

### MISSION

*We will establish high standards by creating a learning environment which ensures student performance at the highest level. We will prepare students for a seamless transition to relevant employment, further training, or post-secondary study.*

### SHS Improves Ratings on 2014 Annual School Report Card

The state's Education Accountability Act (EAA) School and District Report Cards and the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) School Report Cards are part of the state's education accountability system. They provide schools and communities with information on the progress of schools and districts.

Thanks to the tireless efforts of faculty, staff, and administration, Swansea High School has made tremendous gains in the following areas: first time HSAP passage rate, longitudinal HSAP passage rate, graduation rate, and EOC passage rate. SHS improved the Absolute Rating from Average to Good and the Growth Rating increased from At-risk to Good.

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School Renewal  
Accountability Summary  
2014-2015

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# ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND INITIATIVES AT SHS FOR 2014-2015

## Athletics

Football– 3A Region Champions  
Nine players selected All-Region  
One North-South election  
Two players received full scholarship to attend 4 year Universities  
3 players signed letters of intent  
All- Area AAA Defensive Player of the Year

Boys Basketball- One player All Region

Girls Basketball– One player Selected All-Region

Wrestling– 4 State Qualifiers  
One fourth place State and one third place State  
Two Lower State Runner-Ups  
Six Region Champions

Softball– Two All-Region Players  
Baseball-Made Playoffs  
5 All-Region Players and 1 All-State Player  
3 players signed to play collegiate level baseball

Girls Soccer– Made playoffs  
Three All-Region Players  
Two school records

Boys Soccer- Made playoffs  
All-Region Goalie

Boys Track– region 5AAA champions (3 peat )  
Twelve individual region winners  
1 National Elite Performance  
Nine State Qualifiers in Six Events  
five individual region winners  
One new school record  
One National Letter of Intent to Anderson College  
12 school records set by Senior Class  
Girls Track– 2nd in Region

Swansea High School was awarded the

## 2012 PALMETTO SILVER AWARD

For receiving an *Absolute and  
Improvement*

*Rating of Good* on the  
school report card.

2013 Gold level Closing the Gap Award

2014–15 Gold Service Leadership School



## Band

2014 SCBDA AA Lower State – 2nd Place  
2014 SCBDA AA State – 5th Place  
SCBDA Region Two Honor Bands – 14 students  
SCBDA All-State Band – 1 student  
Winthrop University Honor Band Clinic – 2 students  
USC Honor Band Clinic – 4 students  
2015 SCBDA Concert Performance Assessment – Excellent Rating (Concert Band)  
2015 SCBDA Concert Performance Assessment – Superior Rating (Concert Winds)  
2015 SCBDA Jazz Performance Assessment – Excellent Rating  
2015 SCBDA Solo & Ensemble Performance Assessment – 5 Excellent Ratings  
2015 SCBDA Solo & Ensemble Performance Assessment – 20 Superior Ratings  
2014-15 SCBDA Outstanding Performance Award Recipient

## Chorus

3 students auditioned for and were accepted to 2014 ACDA Honor Choir Weekend  
6 students attended Region Choir Weekend Jan 2015  
1 student auditioned for and attended All State Choir Weekend  
Seussical Cast performed 3 stellar performances, with a review in the SouthWest Lexington Ledger March 2015  
Seussical cast read Seuss books to students at SES to promote literacy March 2015  
Chamber Choir received an Excellent Rating at Carowinds  
Chamber Choir received a Superior Rating at Solo/Ensemble Festival February 2015

## JROTC

Cadets offered \$100,000 in scholarships  
Awarded 'Honorary Unit of Distinction' for 2012-2013  
Largest JROTC unit in Lexington County

## Beta Club

State Champions Award– Scrapbook & Colored Pencil  
2nd Place State Award– Banner  
Chapter qualification for National Competition  
Thirty-eight students awarded for 50 hours of community service  
4000 Community Service Hours for Chapter

## JAG-Jobs for America's Graduates—3rd in State

Jefferson Award Winner and Governor Award Winner  
First Place in Interview Competition and Poetry  
3 Students Third Place in Poster and Scrapbook  
Team won Top Honors in Presentation

## HOSA– Health Occupations Student Association

One student placed 1st in Outstanding HOSA Chapter  
Certificate of Recognition for Chapter Newsletter

## Special Olympics

One athlete and one coach participated in track & field at the Special Olympics USA Games in New Jersey over the summer.

Nineteen athletes and twenty-six unified partners competed at 4 local competitions in bocce, bowling, basketball, and track & field. They received over 100 individual and team awards throughout the year.

Fourteen athletes and fifteen unified partners competed in soccer, volleyball, and bocce at the SC Special Olympic Fall Games in Greenville, SC. The soccer team won a BRONZE medal. The volleyball team won a SILVER medal. The bocce teams won two BRONZE medals and two GOLD medals.

Fourteen athletes and eight unified partners competed in track & field and bowling at the SC Special Olympic Summer games in Columbia, SC. The track & field athletes won four GOLD medals, two SILVER medals, five BRONZE medals, and four ribbons. The bowling teams won four GOLD medals, four SILVER medals, and eight BRONZE medals.

The cheerleading squad competes in the SC Special Olympic State Cheer Competition in May in Columbia, SC.

Athletes and Unified Partners participated in SC Project Unify to promote unity among those with and without disabilities.

SHS Peer Tutors, Unified Partners, and members of SO-FAB (Special Olympics Fans and Buddies) club volunteered over sixty hours of service this school year.

**Swansea High School increased  
the Graduation Rate by 8%  
from 2013 to 2014. Swansea  
High School achieved a gradu-  
ation rate of 77.9% for 2014.  
Congratulations to all the  
teachers , students and parents  
for continuing to provide best  
practices.**