

### SHS Priorities for 2012-2013

- Improve graduation rate
- Improve first time HSAP (exit exam) passage rate
- Improve longitudinal HSAP passage rate (students who pass the exit exam within four years)
- Increase the percentage of students who pass the End of Course tests

#### **School Improvement Council**

##### **Members 2011-2012**

Mr. Craig Baker, Assistant Principal  
Mrs. Tina Brantley, Parent  
Mr. Ben Dawson, Student  
Ms. Arabia Gilliam, Student  
Ms. Marsha Harsey, Parent  
Mrs. Leslie Hightower, Principal  
Ms. Marsha Jones, Parent  
Ms. Pam Kirby, Parent  
Ms. Lisa Lucas, Parent  
Ms. Denise Myers, CATE director  
Mr. Gregg Riley, Community Member  
Mrs. Pat Riley, Community Member  
Ms. Marcia Seawright, Instructional Coach  
Ms. Beth Tuten, 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 postsecondary study.*

### **VISION**

*Swansea High School believes...*

**Every student** must be engaged in learning that is purposeful and rigorous.

**Every student** should have a safe, respectful, and nurturing learning community that values individual student needs and is the shared responsibility of the child, family, school, and community.

**Every student** must have equal access to high quality educators and programs.

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**School Renewal  
Accountability Summary  
Report  
2011-2012**

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# ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND INITIATIVES AT SHS FOR 2011-2012

## **Athletics**

Region 5AA Sportsmanship Award for 2010-2011

Football- Region 5AA Champions

Nine players selected All-Region

Two players selected All-Area

Chad Leaphart : Region 5AA Coach of the Year

Girls Basketball- Made playoffs

Boys Basketball- Made playoffs

Two players All Region

One player Georgia/SC All Star

Wrestling- Region 5AA Champions

Advanced to Lower State Semifinals

Three wrestlers advanced to State Championships

Two wrestlers All-Region

Softball- Made playoffs

All-Region pending

Baseball- Region 5AA Champions

Made Playoffs

All-Region pending

One player North/South All Star

Girls soccer- Region 5AA Champions

Made playoffs

All-Region pending

Boys soccer- Made playoffs

Track- Made playoffs

Seventeen students qualified for Lower State

All-Region pending

Golf- Made playoffs

All-Region pending

Competitive Cheer- Advanced to State

Championships

## **HOSA– Health Occupations Student Association**

Three students placed 1st in Outstanding HOSA Chapter

One student placed 1st in Pathophysiology Knowledge

One student placed 4th in Healthy Lifestyles

Three students placed 6th in Creative Problem Solving

Certificate of Recognition for Chapter Newsletter

## **FFA-Future Farmers of America**

Competed in Wildlife, Tractor Operations,

Tool Identification Events

## **Band**

3rd Place Class AAA Lower State Marching Band Championships

6th Place Class AAA SC State Marching Band Championships

Excellent Rating-Class 4-South Carolina Concert Band Festival

Superior Rating-South Carolina Jazz Festival (jazz combo)

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Superior Rating-Southern Star Music Festival in Atlanta, GA

Grand Champion for the high school division Southern Star Music Festival in Atlanta, GA

Six students selected for Region 2 Honor Band

One student selected for South Carolina All-State Band

One Student selected for South Carolina All-State Jazz Band

Four students selected for Winthrop University Honor Band Clinic

Four students selected for USC Honor Band Clinic

Five out of nine seniors received scholarships to college

## **Chorus**

Excellent rating-State Choral Festival

## **Beta Club**

One student placed 1st in State Social Studies Competition

One student placed 3rd in State Spanish Competition

## **JROTC**

Cadets offered \$100,000 in scholarships

Four students won opportunity to compete in National Academic Challenge in Washington, DC

Awarded 'Honorary Unit of Distinction' for 2011-2012

## **Science Olympiad Team**

6th place finish-State Competition

Two students placed 3rd in Gravity Vehicle Competition

Two students placed 4th in Robot Arm Competition

Two students placed 6th in Tower Competition

## **JAG-Jobs for America's Graduates**

State chapter winner of the Jefferson Award for Community Service

Three students placed 1st in Team Challenge Events

One student placed 1st in Interview Skills

One student placed 2nd in Poetry Competition

Two students placed 2nd in Chapter Manual

One student placed 3rd in Essay Skills

One student won the Governor's Award

## **Special Olympics**

Twenty four athletes and twenty unified partners competed at 4 local competitions in bocce, soccer, bowling, basketball, and track and field.

200 individual and team awards throughout the year.

Twenty athletes and twenty unified partners competed at the SC Special Olympic Fall Games.

The soccer team won the GOLD medal. The bocce teams won four BRONZE medals, six SILVER medals, and four GOLD medals.

The volleyball team won the GOLD medal.

Seventeen athletes and five unified partners competed at the SC Special Olympic Mid-Winter Games held.

The two 3x3 basketball teams won the GOLD and BRONZE medals.

The two basketball team skills teams won the SILVER and BRONZE medals.

The badminton team won the silver medal, and the two disc golf teams each won GOLD medals.

**The class of 2011 received 1.6 million dollars in scholarships, with 37 percent of the seniors qualifying for the Life Scholarship, Hope Scholarship, or Palmetto Fellows.**

## **Public Relations Initiative at SHS**

The Public Relations/School Climate team at SHS is comprised of staff members from across departments who work to promote positive public relations and a positive school climate for students.

During the 2011-2012 school year, the public relations team worked to initiate new activities for parents, students, and staff including updating school and teacher websites, providing an elective fair by third year career classes for current students during registration, and utilizing the School Messenger calling and email system to promote school events.