



Chapin High School
Annual School
Improvement Council

REPORT TO THE PARENTS

2020-2021

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heartbeat, We aRe Chapin!*



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SIC Focus

Chapin High School is a community school with an established history that began in 1924. As the oldest high school in Lexington Richland School District Five, we are proud of our tradition of excellence.

Our continued goal is to prepare each student to be college and career ready. We recognize that continuous improvement of our professional practice is the only way to meet that goal. As a result, we work closely with community stakeholders, parents, and businesses to provide an enriched learning environment that will maximize the potential of each student. To this aim, our teachers are committed to professional learning communities called Data Teams, which provide our teachers with a structured conversation about teaching and learning.

Chapin High School Improvement Council (SIC) meets monthly to plan, monitor, and evaluate improvements at the school level. This includes school planning, as well as communication among students, parents, teachers, and the administration of Chapin High.

This year the SIC's goals were:

Goal 1 - Tend to the Social, Emotional, and Physical health of our students. Come up with a strategic plan to address these needs (Health, Stress/Anxiety, Depression, and Substance Abuse). Continue to educate to eliminate and provide for the well-being of the student. Topics of focus this year - mental health of students and connectivity to the school.

Goal 2 - Take active measures to support the recruitment and retention of faculty and staff for Chapin High School.

The SIC is continuously monitoring and working to ensure quality programs are provided at Chapin High School. The SIC continues to acknowledge and support Chapin High School's pursuit of excellence.

2019-2020

Teacher of the Year
Amy Carter



2019-2020

Support Employee
of the Year
Fran Tucker



2020-2021 SIC Members

Elected Parents: Stacey Bryant, *Chairperson*; Peggy Aun, *Vice Chairperson*; Connie Black, Tobilyn Hornick, Fran Ricks, Tom Wise

Elected Students: Benjamin Dunn, *Student Body President*; Ellett Ward, *Senior Class President*; Danny Kopelman, 12th grade SIC; Tolson Goley, 11th grade SIC; Addison Brizek, 10th grade SIC; Graham Thompson, 9th grade SIC

Elected Teachers: Amy Carter, 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year; Paula Bartholomew, and Bob Taylor

Community Members: Paul Atkerson, Susan Baker, Jondy Loveless, Terry Macaluso, Lil Mood, Tim Slice, John Stickney

Ex Officio Members: Tess Pratt, Alice White - Past Teachers of the Year; Melissa Jackson, PTSO; Lisa Maylath, ALA; Rusty Todd, Athletic Booster; Barbara Cameron-Nix, Band Booster; Tiara Myhera, Orchestra Booster; David Dickson, NJROTC Booster; Peggy Aun, Choral Booster; Mr. Michael Ames, Principal; Bonnie Moskos, Assistant Principal of Instruction; Ronnie Wessinger, Athletic Director; Melissa Magee, Assistant Principal; Bill Robinson, Assistant Principal; Jerusha Spain, Assistant Principal

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Purpose of the Report

This report is issued by the 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.

School Culture



“Scholarship and Leadership” are the words on the seal of Chapin High School. Scholarship represents what students will take from our school. Leadership represents what students will give to the world. We expect all students to adhere to these ideals. Each school has its own culture.

Here at CHS, we have a rally cry, which originated from the Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) program. The rally cry is “We aRe Chapin.” Why is the “R” capitalized? The emphasis on the “R” is to help students understand the importance of being Ready to learn, Respectful to others and Responsible to ourselves.

We have since added to the rally cry the phrase, “We are a thousand passions and one heartbeat.” The heart is an unofficial logo that signifies the power of knowing and following our passion. Each student is taught these principles on the first day of school and reminded of them each day.

Awards and Recognition



In October 2017, Chapin High School was presented with the Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School Award. Schools are identified and selected for this award based on achievement of excellence performance in all nine major categories of the Blueprint for Excellence Assessment.



On March 24, 2015, Chapin High School was named Palmetto's Finest for high school. This award is given to schools that excel in student achievement, professional learning, effective education programming, and innovation.

Palmetto Gold Award Recipient: 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016



SC School Report Card Overall Ratings Scale: 2018: Excellent; 2019: Excellent; 2020: No data available due to school closures and COVID –19.

National Blue Ribbon School: 2004, 2010.

Varsity Brands Recognition—2016 Best Student Section; 2019 Best Student Government



Based on our students performances, CHS earned national recognition by *Niche*, which ranked Chapin #11 of 230 Best Public High Schools in SC; and *U.S. News and World Report* ranked Chapin #11 in SC of best high schools.

Member of Southern Region Education Board and High Schools That Work.

Our School's Mission Statement

The mission of Chapin High School of Lexington Richland School District Five, in partnership with the community, is to provide challenging curricula with high expectations for learning that develop productive citizens who can solve problems and contribute to a global society.

Our School's Goal:

We will maintain a safe, supportive, nurturing, environment that is conducive to working and learning.

We will provide challenging curricula with high expectations for learning. We will develop productive citizens who can solve problems and contribute to a global society.

We will recruit, hire, and retain a highly effective and diverse staff dedicated to helping students succeed in a competitive, global work place.

We will maximize the school's resources of time, expertise, and finances.



1528 Students enrolled as of 4/13/2021

147 Teachers and Staff

29 National Board Certified Teachers

Instructional Program

Academic Leadership Academy (ALA)

The Academic Leadership Academy is designed to develop leaders who will excel in an innovative and global community. We provide students an honors, Advanced Placement, and dual credit curriculum along with leadership training to prepare them to compete for admission to top-ranked colleges and universities and become world leaders in their fields of study. ALA is a community of motivated learners focused on the application of knowledge. Students receive training to introduce leadership skills in order to execute situational leadership. The Capstone courses allow students research opportunities in order to pursue scholarly conclusions/solutions in topics of their choosing. The academic leadership was recognized by the Greater Chapin Endowment for their impact in the Chapin community. Students continually serve the community in 3500 hours of unpaid work a year.

Capstone

Chapin High School began participating in the AP Capstone program in the Fall of 2017. AP Capstone is a College Board Program that equips students with independent research, collaborative teamwork, and communication skills that are increasingly valued by colleges. It also gives our school the distinction of offering a rigorous, widely recognized diploma program. Common and coalition applications for college have a special designation that flags students for their impressive research skills. 17 seniors completed their research projects in their areas of interest this year thus earning the distinction of AP Scholar.

CATE (Career and Technology Education)

Chapin High serves to ignite student's passions and provide real world training. Courses offered at Chapin include topics in Business Administration, Finance, Health Science, Information Technology, Marketing, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. All CTE (Career and Technology Education) students have the opportunity to earn their OSHA General Safety certification. Our Career and Technical Education is expanded with the Center for Advanced Technical Studies which allows our students to continue to pursue interests in a variety of fields in collaboration with or in addition to those courses offered here at CHS.

Courses of Study

Each Course of Study is filled with enriching experiences that enhance the area of concentration chosen by our students. These meaningful experiences, are intended to provide our students the platform for exploring their passions. Collaboration, meaningful experiences, amazing portfolios and an intense learning environment are integrated into each Course of Study.

Evening Acceleration School (EAS)

The Evening Acceleration School is a great example of our strong partnership with our community. We identify students in need of assistance with academics and provide tutors to address their low performance in core classes. The Chapin Woman's Club and Chapin Junior Woman's Club has provided funding and food for the EAS. The Chapin Woman's club volunteers brings it to the students. St. Francis of Assisi Outreach Ministries has provided the funding for the program which pays for the tutors and we have received donations from the Chapin Junior Woman's Club. We are currently looking for ways to increase funding for the program. The goal of EAS is to meet students where they are and nurture their academic growth at no cost to them.

iFive Initiative

The goal of the iFive Project is to use technology to strengthen the growth of our curriculum and competencies for work, citizenship and life-long learning. Lexington Richland School District Five will prepare its students beyond academic success. The overall goal is to prepare students to model their academic skills by actively promoting communicators, creators, critical thinkers and collaborators of information.

Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC)

In April 2021, Chapin NJROTC placed 2nd nationally out of 1540 teams in the National NJROTC Academic Exam. In June of 2018, CHS NJROTC Unit was named Best Unit for Area 6 and placed 2nd in the Nation as the 2018 Navy League Most Outstanding Unit. CHS has an exceptional NJROTC which has been in the top 3% of units nationwide 8 of the last 19 years out of 615 schools. Our NJROTC unit was once again designated as an NJROTC Distinguished Unit with Academic Honors for the 2018-2019 school year. This is the 19th straight year Chapin has received this distinction. This designation allows us to nominate three eligible NJROTC cadets for admission to the U.S. Naval Academy, three to the U.S. Military Academy, and three to the U.S. Air Force Academy. Our NJROTC unit has been the National Champion three times, runner-up four times and South Carolina State Champion fourteen times.



Excellence in Academics

- Amy Carter, 2020-2021 CHS teacher and District 5 Teacher of the year was named one of the top five finalists for the State teacher of the year.
- 23 Advanced Placement courses with a 73% pass rate (3 or higher).
- We boast a 95.7% graduation rate for the class of 2020.
- We have 29 National Board Certified Teachers.
- We have 1 National Merit Finalists and 2 National Merit Commended students.
- Chapin NJROTC is one of the premier units in the nation and continues its long record of sustained superior performance. Chapin's NJROTC has been in the top 3% of units nationwide for 20 years. Chapin was recognized as the Best Unit out of 64 NJROTC units in North and South Carolina in 2019-2020. This award marks the program's 14th State Championship. This year Chapin has focused on academics winning the state cyber - patriot competition and is in the second level of the national college bowl.
- In April 2021, Chapin NJROTC placed 2nd nationally out of 1540 teams in the National NJROTC Academic Exam.
- Forty-four rising 9th graders were selected for the 2020-21 Academic Leadership Academy class including CMS, home schooled, parochial, and cross district students.
- At this year's District Science Fair in February, our ALA students were among 75 students who competed in the Categories of Behavioral and Social Sciences, Engineering, Biological Sciences and General Sciences. Ten students placed at the District fair.
- In the Regional Science Fair, we had two -1st place, one - 2nd place, and two - Honorable Mention.
- Four students were inducted into the NATIONAL Junior Academy of Sciences in February of 2021. They were selected based upon their exemplary research papers written last Spring. Alexis F., Grace S., Allie F., and Paige M., are now lifetime members of the Academy. The students got to have virtual breakfast with world renowned scientists as well as hearing from Anthony Fauci and NIH director, Francis Collins.
- Four students have been named Teaching Fellows, three of which are part of the Teacher Cadet Program.
- CHS Beta Club has qualified and placed in Beta Club State and National Competitions for the past 16 years. During this year's SC virtual State competition, three 11th grade students from CHS placed as Champion/1st place = Social Studies; 2nd place = Science; and 2nd place = Black and White Photography, Division II. These students are eligible to compete at Beta National Convention in Disney June 25-28, 2021.



Student Achievement Data

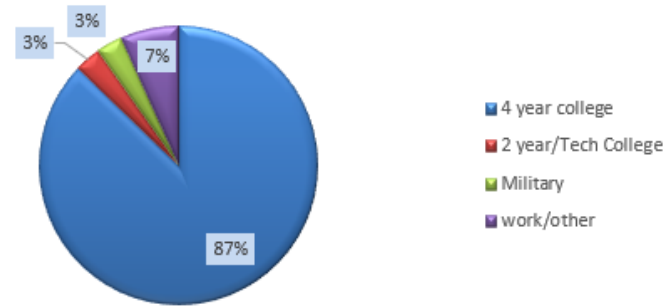
Chapin High School Advanced Placement Scores							
2020 AP Scores	5	4	3	2	1	Tot	%
Biology	2	6	5	2	0	15	87%
Calculus AB	14	25	8	4	1	52	90%
Chemistry	2	5	11	5	2	25	72%
English Language	15	32	40	29	7	123	71%
English Literature	6	10	32	19	3	70	69%
Environmental Sci	5	12	6	8	5	36	64%
European History	4	8	8	5	0	25	80%
French Language	0	1	2	1	3	7	43%
Human Geography	8	18	30	3	20	79	71%
Macroeconomics	2	3	7	8	3	23	52%
Physics 1	2	5	5	2	2	16	75%
Physics 2	2	3	7	4	0	16	75%
Psychology	6	2	3	5	4	20	55%
Research	7	25	17	4	0	53	92%
Seminar	8	7	27	1	0	43	98%
Spanish Language	0	1	5	8	4	18	33%
Statistics	2	7	20	20	3	52	56%
Studio Art 2D	0	1	2	0	0	3	100%
Studio Art 3D	0	0	1	0	0	1	100%
Studio Art Drawing	0	1	0	0	1	2	50%
United States Govt	6	3	10	3	1	23	83%
United States History	9	20	24	16	5	74	72%
World History: Modern	1	15	13	5	2	36	81%
TOTAL	101	210	283	152	66	812	73%

% = Percentage of students scoring 3 or higher

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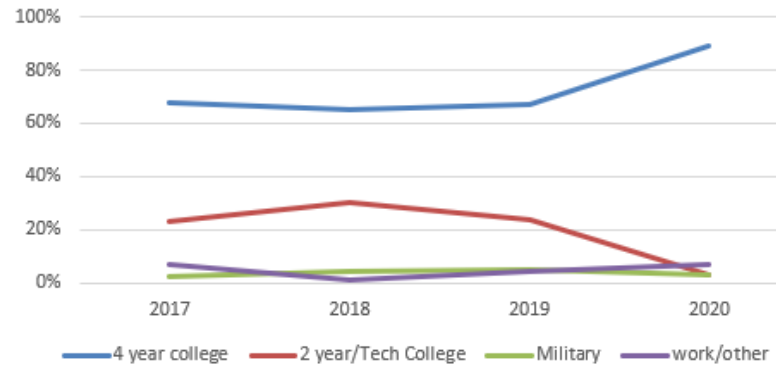
CHS Class of 2020 was offered approximately \$54 millions in college scholarships

Graduating Class of 2020 Plans after High School



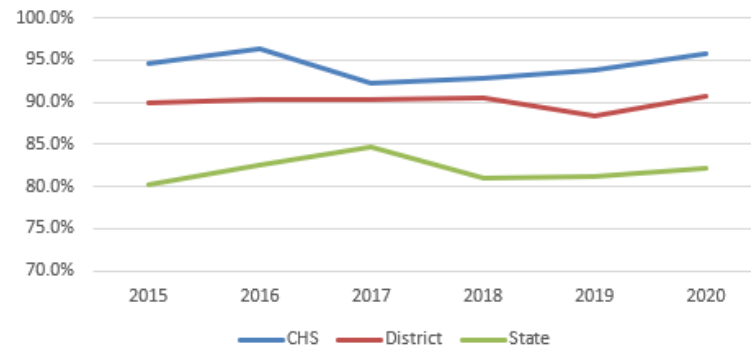
2020 graduates
31 Palmetto Fellows
176 Preliminary Life
Scholarships

Comparison by Year
CHS Graduate Plans after High School



Graduation Rates

CHS Graduation Rate Compared to District & State



Excellence in the Arts

Band

CHS "Pride of the Midlands" Band Program consists of Marching Band, Jazz Band, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Concert Percussion Ensemble, and Winterguard. 13 students were accepted into SCBDA Region Band, 2 students were selected for the SCBDA All-State Concert Band, and 1 student was selected for the SCBDA All-State Jazz Band.

Because of COVID 19, all official South Carolina Marching Band events were cancelled this year. In lieu of a traditional marching band season, the CHS "Pride of the Midlands" got a taste of what it is like to be in college marching band, with multiple crowd-pleasing halftime shows. The final performance this year was a special tribute to our military and first responder heroes called "A Patriotic Salute." The Pride of the Midlands joined forces with the NJROTC Drum and Bugle Corps, Student government, Dance team, and Cheerleaders for a moving finale.

Other band events including Jazz Performance Assessment and Concert Performance Assessment were cancelled this year and replaced with virtual submissions. The Concert and Symphonic Band had a wonderful recording session that was also used to create a virtual concert premiere due to a weather warning on the day of our first live performance in a year. Luckily, the band has 2 more live performances scheduled for the year. Jazz and Percussion Ensemble Concert on April 23rd, and a Concert and Symphonic Band concert on May 13th. The band is looking forward to the 2021 - 2022 season!

Chorus

The Voice of Chapin consists of six choirs at CHS. Chamber Singers, HiLights Show Choir, Men's Singers, Women's Concert Choir, and Women's Chorus, and a Choral Department Choir that is made up of the all five Choirs.

Because of COVID-19 all state activities were canceled except for SC All State Choir Auditions which were done virtually in November. We had six students selected for the SC All State Choir for 2020-2021. Those students were Glen M., Zach E., Corey C., Anselle B., Kyia T., and Drew M. All State Choir Weekend was canceled on March 19, 2021. Chapin High School had 7 students make the SC ACDA Honor Choir as well that was set to take place in October 2020. This event was canceled as well due to COVID-19.

Orchestra

CHS Orchestra Program consists of three different orchestra classes: the Ninth Grade Orchestra, Advanced Orchestra and the Masterclass Orchestra. During this school year we have performed one Concert. Our Festival Concert on March 10th which featured four students Paige M. played a cello concerto and Noah M., Brennan J. and Alyssa R. played a concerto for three violins. This year we had four students, Luxi Q., Jake C., Nina C., and Paige M., accepted into the Midlands Regional Orchestra.

Dance Education

Chapin Dance Education is one united dance department with students from both Chapin Middle and Chapin High School. Chapin's dance educator is Akhira B. Jeter, whose instructional focus is to broadly educate all students in all facets of dance including knowledge of dance styles and techniques, creation and composition, performance, as well as responding to a variety of different dances styles and cultures.

This 2021 school year, Chapin dance students have had the opportunity to participate in virtual master classes featuring Coker University and Miami Dance Futures. In previous years, dance students at Chapin had the opportunity to attend performance field trips such as performing at the South Carolina State Fair and attending class at the Elite Ballroom Dance Academy.

Chapin Dance is excited to offer Dance 3 and Dance 4 Honors this upcoming 21-22 school year. Stay tuned for more information on our upcoming Spring Dance Production. To see more from Chapin Dance students follow us at @ChapinDanceEDU.

Dance Team

The CHS dance team, the Chapin Girls, is a competitive dance team that performs on the sidelines of CHS football games, pep rallies, supports CHS, the community and a variety of charitable organizations. Most recently the JV girls dance team placed 1st in POM and Hip Hop in their division at the EDA National Championship. Varsity placed 1st in Hip Hop, Jazz, Pom, and Lyrical. Varsity's Pom routine took home the Grand Champions trophy and the All-Around Champion went to our Chapin Varsity.

Visual Arts

Art teachers Carly Templeton, Joy Pouncey and Jane Rangel work year round to ensure that Chapin High School student artwork is proudly displayed in both local and regional exhibits, as well as online. For the 2020-2021 school year, student work was exhibited at the Chapin High School permanent collection, Columbia Museum of Art, Art @ Five, Lexington Richland School District Five District Office and Museum of Student Art. This year the Chapin High School Visual Arts Department had less opportunity to compete and display artwork due to COVID. In years past many of our students were recognized for their outstanding efforts in visual art in local, statewide, and regional competitions. We had three students to compete in the "Art of Healing" sponsored by the Lexington Medical Center. Their artwork will be displayed at the Columbia Museum of Art. We had one student compete "Young Creative Patriotic Contest" sponsored by Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. This artwork will go to be judged by a statewide panel of judges.

Excellence in Athletics



- Swimming: new school records were set in the following: 200 free style— Anna O.; 200 Medley Relay —Sally O., Annabel B., Taylor W., & Grace H.; 50 Free & 100 Free—Simon Thompson; 200 free style—Josh T. William M, Tyler B., & Simon T.; All Region Swim girls—Taylor W. Annabel B. Grace H., Maggie H., Anna O, Ella O.; All Region swim boys— Simon T. Tyler B., Josh T., L.J. B., William M., Gage K.
- Girls Cross County: All Region: Jesma E., Georgia B., Scarlett B., Tess B. & Abigail W.; Region Champion, 3rd in State 5A—Abigail W.
- Boy Cross Country: All Region Wesley B., Calvin S. & Holden T.
- Girls' Golf: All Region Emily B., Mia A., Advanced to the 5A state Champions and finished 7th overall; Coach Hamm selected as North/South Golf Tournament coach.
- Girls Tennis: All Region: Sydney C., Kylie L., & Morgan G.; All State: Morgan G., North/South Girls tennis Tournament: Morgan G.
- Football: Thorton G.—South Carolina Shrine Bowl Team selection.
- Wrestling: All Region—Jack K., Porter L., Matthew G., Vince D., Josh G., Partrick B., Boyce B.; All State— Josh G.; North/South selection—Josh G.
- Boy's Basketball: All Region— A.J. K., Henry H.
- Girl's Basketball: All Region— Mackenzie L.
- Cheer---5A State runner-up; All Region: Katie M., Morgan H., Holley Q., Lanie A., Taylor G.
- All Spring Sports in 2020 were canceled due to COVID-19
- Boys Soccer Coach Bob Taylor was named as the coach for the South team in the North/South soccer game.
- Girl's Soccer: Ryanne D. was selected to play in the Clash of the Carolinas Soccer game in June of 2021. This game features the top 18 players from South Carolina vs North Carolina

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