

## Spotlight on Seniors

Students in the graduating class of 2021 are planning their futures, and those futures are BRIGHT! Seven seniors have received an NETC Community College Associate Degree and 55 students have completed at least six NETC credit hours towards an associate degree beyond their MCHS course completion for year 2020-2021.

MCHS Seniors are marching across that stage to graduate Saturday, June 12, 2021



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### MCS D Vision

The School District of Marlboro County will partner with all stakeholders to develop responsible citizens, lifelong learners, and global leaders.

## Marlboro County High School Is An Early College High School



*The Mission of the Marlboro County School District is to provide a quality education and enable all students to achieve their highest potential.*

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## Marlboro County High School Report to the People



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**HOME OF THE BULLDOGS**



## About MCHS and Our Beliefs

Marlboro County High School opened its doors in the fall of 1989 uniting students from Bennettsville, Blenheim, Clio, McColl, and Wallace. The school is located in the central part of the county and offers academic, vocational, and technology opportunities for students in grades 9 through 12.

Marlboro County High School believes in helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by offering our students and faculty numerous opportunities through its concerted efforts to improve student achievement.

## Opportunities for Students

### • Young Scholars Program

MCHS students continue their journey in the NETC Young Scholars Program. This year MCHS added another 9<sup>th</sup> Grade cohort that will earn college credits towards an Associate Degree while attending high school.

### • AVID Program

MCHS is currently in the fourth year of AVID implementation. AVID is a framework that focuses on college and career readiness by strengthening students' literacy skills, study skills, and organizational skills. **#AVIDREADY**

## Student Exposure

### • College Information

Our Student Services department organizes information from colleges and universities so that students can make informed decisions about their futures. This year, students had the exposure to information highlighting the following schools and career activities:

- Saint Augustine University
- South Carolina State University
- Sumter High School – College Fair
- College of Charleston –Virtual Presentation
- Clemson University – Virtual Presentation
- Cheraw Schaffler – Virtual Presentation
- University of South Carolina - Virtual
- UNC Pembroke – Virtual Presentation

### CTE Program Enhancement

#### • Agriculture-Mr. Hall

Our Agricultural Science Department led by FFA Chapter Advisor William Hall, hosted a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for our newly installed Greenhouse located on our campus April 16<sup>th</sup>. We were honored to have our school Board, Superintendent, Senior Cabinet, Mr. Keels of Clemson University Agricultural Department, community members and parents. FFA students assisted those ready to make purchases from the assorted plants available.

#### • Firefighter Certification- Mr. Black

We had six members of the Class of 2021 and one member of the Class of 2022 earn state certification in Hazardous Materials Awareness/Operations, HS Firefighter I, Basic Auto Extrication, and HS Firefighter II. Six members of the Class of 2021 waiting to take the national certification testing for Firefighter I and Firefighter II. Half of these completions were done in year two - the other half in year three of the program. Three members of the Class of 2021 are part of a work study program at local fire stations, an addition to the Firefighting Program in January 2021. Six members of the class of 2022 earned state certification in Hazardous Materials Awareness/Operations and HS Firefighter I and also, waiting to take the national certification testing for Firefighter I. All of this was done in our third year of our Firefighter Certification Program!

## Accomplishments

- **DECA-Mrs. Van Pelt** DECA students attended the SC State Career Development Conference virtually March 19 & 20. DECA students took the stage in the top 10 of their events combining test/role play scores: Sydney Freeman and Thomas Guinn in Travel and Tourism Team Decision event and Jaheem McLaurin in Human Resources Management series. These students also served as voting delegates to represent our chapter and submitted our MCHS Chapter Program of Work that received a Gold Status and qualified for the International Career Development Virtual Conference in April. DECA is celebrating 78 years as we continue to develop emerging leaders in marketing, management, finance, and entrepreneurship careers.
- **Band—Mrs. Perkins** - Band member Jerry Jenkins, Jr. has been accepted to North Carolina A&T University. Jerry auditioned for The Blue & Gold Marching Machine (NCAT Band) and was accepted and received a scholarship. We are VERY proud of our Mighty Marching Bulldog Band Student!
- **Athletics—AD Bobby Collins** - MCHS had a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new track. The first home track meet was held in over ten years! The MCSD Board approved a state-of-the-art Turf Field for McAlpine Stadium and will be ready for our 2021-2022 athletics. Our basketball Varsity Team are AAA State Champions this year for the first time in 20 years!! Who let the Dogs Out!!!! We have celebrated many great things this school year in spite of COVID-19.

### - 2021 AAA State Champions -

