

Pendleton High School
Annual Report to Parents
2015-2016

Pendleton High School has many highlights to share from the 2015-2016 school year. The entire Pendleton High School community has continued to strive for academic excellence during the past school year. All of the stakeholders that are involved with PHS and Anderson District 4 make student achievement our top priority.

High Schools That Work (HSTW)

Pendleton High School is a member of the Southern Region Education Board High Schools That Work network. This reform model is the platform that we use to ensure that we use research-proven strategies to help our students excel. This year we focused on two of the 10 key practices. They were raising rigor in the classroom and extra-help. The school spent time this year working a department wide grading and extra-help policy. A period was added to the middle of the school day in efforts to give students the opportunity to receive remediation, tutoring, retesting. Each department has a clear set of guidelines for the re-taking of tests. This has allowed our teachers to give more rigorous and meaningful assessment.

One to World Initiative

This year the staff development focus at Pendleton High School was focused on enhancing our one to one computing environment. Teachers continue to use the Google applications platform, as well as a multitude of online applications that only serve to enhance the learning environment at Pendleton. All PHS students were issued a Chromebook at the beginning of the school year for their instructional use. Training was provided for all students on appropriate use of such technology as well. This use of technology has transformed how the staff delivers content.

Student Achievement

We are very proud of the achievements of our students and our school. On the South Carolina School Report Card, Pendleton High School received an Absolute Rating of Excellent. Our school was named a Palmetto Gold School by the SC Department of Education for our outstanding report card. Students won the AA Track State Championship as well as multiple FFA, HOSA, and SkillsUSA championships. These scores give us the confidence to know that the school is headed in the right direction. Pendleton High

School was also named a top 20 high school in the state of South Carolina by US News and World Report.

Pendleton High School continues to work on maintaining a learning environment where all students can be successful. We believe that the education of the whole child is our most important job, and we strive to provide each student with a personalized learning experience. We are very proud of the students in our school and the community that we serve. We will continue to work to ensure that they receive the very best education possible.