

Seneca Senior High School School Improvement Council

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Seneca Senior High School 2021 Report to the Parents



Dear Palmetto's Finest Parents and Stakeholders,

It is with great pride that I present you with the 2021 *Report to the Parents.* Our students, faculty and staff have had an unusual year academically, artistically, and athletically, as has the rest of the country. Not surprisingly, I am indeed proud of the manner in which our faculty and staff, our students, parents, and our community as a whole, have pitched in to make F2F and virtual learning successful. As you look through the Report to the Parents, I hope you will gain a sense of how our students and faculty and staff genuinely love and support one another through the good times and in the difficult times. We are proud of our diverse student population and the communities that each student represents. We are equally proud of Seneca High, a school that is a direct reflection of our involved and supportive community. Join me in applauding the efforts made by our student body, faculty and staff, and community stakeholders as we continue to pursue our goals in becoming a top 10 high school in South Carolina!

"Faithful and True-Hearted...We'll be TRUE to YOU!"

Felicia H. LeRoy, Principal



Seneca Senior High School Class of 2021 Seneca Senior High School Mission Statement Through the pursuit of excellence in academics, arts, and athletics, the mission of Seneca High School is to create lifelong learners who are prepared to compete in a

global environment and actively participate in diverse societies.

The Purpose of Report to the Parents

As required by Act 135, the School Improvement Council at Seneca High School has prepared this Annual School Summary Report to provide an update of our progress toward the school's major goals as indicated in our school improvement action plan. This report also includes accomplishments and test data from last year, as well as school improvement activities planned for this school year. Please take time to review this information and contact the school if you have any questions regarding this report. Your suggestions concerning the improvement of our school program are always welcome.

Seneca High School State Awards

Seneca High serves 972 students in 9th through 12th grade with 736 attending face to face and 236 participating via SDOC@Home. Seneca High offers meaningful programs ranging from Graduation Services for our most at-risk population to offering 20 Advanced Placement courses and the District's premier AP Capstone Program to challenge our most ambitious students. A continued focus on college and career readiness and College Application Month as well as encouraging enrollment in Hamilton Career & Technology Center help equip students with the skills needed to excel after graduation. These programs have all led to a rise in standardized test scores and have had a positive impact in the graduation rate over the past five years. Seneca High was named the highly coveted award of Palmetto's Finest in 2017. During the 2020-21 school year, Seneca also boasts the consecutive three-time 3A Girls Cross Country State Champions, 3A Boys Basketball Upper State Champions, an accredited JROTC Honor Unit with Distinction, a Gold FFA Chapter, and the SC Academy of Science Teacher of the Year. Seneca also has won 14 State Choral Championships as well as 17 State Athletic Championships. The class of 2020 earned more than \$16.5 Million in Awarded Scholarships, earned 7 SC Academic Achievement Honors Awards, had 10 Palmetto Fellow Scholarship students, had two students earn National Merit Special Scholarships, and a US Presidential Scholars Candidate. It is definitely a great time to be a Seneca Bobcat!

Seneca High School Standardized Testing Results

Graduation Rate	2018	2019	2020
Seneca High	83.4	84.0	85.9
SDOC	84.1	86.4	86.2
State	81.0	81.1	82.2

АР	Total % Scoring 3 or Above			
Results	2018	2019	2020	
Seneca High	52%	40%	61%	
SDOC	56%	48%	61%	
STATE	58%	58%	62%	
NATIONAL	57%	58%	62%	

Seneca High School: Excellence in Academics, Arts, and Athletics

Seneca High School students enjoy success across the entire educational gamut—academics, the arts, and athletics. Despite school closings related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Class of 2020 earned over **\$16.5 million in scholarship money,** and we feel confident that the Class of 2021 will show similar success! Listed below are programs unique to Seneca High School in which we attribute many of our successes:

Advanced Placement Course Offerings (20) Athletic Sports Teams (28) CNN (CAT Nation News) Drama Spring Production Early Bird Courses Emerging Women Future Educators Association FFA Student Service Program Graduation Services (1 coach) Honors Chorale & Madrigal Singers Human Rights Club Interact (Rotary) Club JROTC Raiders National Beta Club National Honor Society Parent Coffees (Guidance) PLC Meetings Project Unify SAT & ACT Workshops & Classes SHS Hall of Fame Shop With a Bobcat SIC Focus Teams SREB High Schools That Work STEAM Programs Student Government Teacher Cadets



Accreditation

Seneca High School continues to maintain satisfactory accreditation status from both the State Department of Education and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools / AdvancED. Seneca High School has been a *High Schools That Work* School since 1988.

