

PBIS

At Walhalla Middle School, we invite you to join us -- teachers, administrators, staff, students, parents, and the whole WMS community -- as we ALL strive each day to be:

RESPECTFUL

RESPONSIBLE

RELIABLE



WMS 2012 Test Data

EOC Passing Rate

English 1 - 100% Algebra I - 99%

PASS Percent Met

Social Studies **Math**

6 - 89.6% 6 - 85.8%

7 - 56.0% 7 - 73.8%

8 - 77.9% 8 - 80.8%

ELA **Science**

6 - 80.2 % 6 - 69.7%

7 - 64.9% 7 - 73.0%

8 - 79.9% 8 - 77.9%

Writing

8 - 76.7%

WMS SIC MEMBERS

- **Chair** - Jim Mann
- **Community Member** - Walter Torres
- **Elected Parents** - Josh McCall, Dee Dee Culbertson, Kim Phillis, Melinda Anderson, and Dora Leonard
- **Administrators** - Scott Dixon, Corey Willimon, and Krystal Bishop
- **Elected Teachers** - Keith Harrison and Liza Smith

Purpose of the Report

This report is issued by the WMS 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.

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

Math
 English
 Science
 Social Studies
 Fine Arts
 Business
 Special Education
 Physical Education



ATHLETICS

- MASCOT - RAZORBACKS
- COLORS - PURPLE AND WHITE
- Four Teams Include: Football, Boys' and Girls' Basketball, and Cheerleading
- Boys' Basketball won the Skyline Region championship
- Girls' Basketball finished runner-up

BAND

- **DIRECTOR OF BANDS** - GENA SYKES
- Five students in region band and three in alternate region band
- Two students in alternate all-state band
- Performance at Gettysburg Memorial Day weekend
- Superior Rating at concert festival

CHORUS

- **DIRECTOR OF CHORUS** - CORY CHITWOOD
- Thirty-one students participated in the Oconee County All-County Chorus
- All six students who participated in the Solo & Ensemble festival received superior ratings
- Last year we received superior ratings and first place for each choir.
- We formed our first ever Honors Choir that meets after school weekly for rehearsals

2012 Absolute and Growth Rating = Good

2012 ESEA Rating = A

2012 SC Palmetto Silver Award

Walhalla Middle School

Home of the Razorbacks

Scott Dixon

Principal



2012-2013

Report to the Parents

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SDOC Superintendent - Michael Lucas, Ed.D.

School Board Members

Andy Inabinet

Rosemary Bailes

Jerry Lee

Buddy Herring

Denise McCormick

MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Walhalla Middle School is to work together with the home, business, and community to develop responsible and productive lifelong learners.

WE BELIEVE THAT:

- Education is a lifelong process in which all students can learn.
- Education will meet the needs of a changing society.
- Education will provide opportunities for students to learn effective written and oral communication skills, practice critical thinking and problem solving skills, and express ideas creatively.
- Education will address physical, cultural, social, and emotional needs of students.
- Students will be expected to accept responsibility to be actively involved in learning.
- Students are the focus of an educational process that is valued, shared, and supported by the home, school, business, and community.
- All individuals will be treated with dignity, respect, and equality.
- Parents and guardians will be expected to be actively involved in their children's education.



ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY, AND STAFF

Administrators - 3
Certified Staff - 57
Support Staff - 17
Student/Teacher Ratio - 20:1

STUDENT DATA

- Enrollment: 748 students.
- Percentage of students on Free Lunch: 40%; Reduced Lunch: 19%

ACCREDITATION STATUS

- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Accredited
- Southern Region Education Board affiliated Making Middle Grades Work (MMGW) Member

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS DATA

- DAR Essay Contest Winner
- WMS has 26 Junior Scholars

MEDIA CENTER

- 59 students attended the SC Junior Book Award celebration
- \$2,500.00 was raised in the Box Tops campaigns for the 2011-2012



CURRICULUM

Walhalla Middle School cooperates with James M. Brown Elementary, Keowee Elementary, Walhalla Elementary, and Walhalla High School to provide an elite school system in the Walhalla community. Effectively producing lifelong learners and productive citizens is a goal of this educational system. The success of WMS is credited to the collaboration of each of these Walhalla schools and the School District of Oconee County. Having all of our students earn a high school diploma is a top focus of the Walhalla schools' goals. Below are the requirements that students will have the opportunity to begin earning at WMS.

Strategic Plan Goals

1. 100% of our students will score met or exemplary on PASS.
2. Structured meetings for teacher collaboration will be provided.
3. Positive behavior initiatives and cultural awareness appreciation will be improved.

Message from Principal Dixon

On behalf of the faculty and staff at Walhalla Middle School, I would like to say thank you to our parents and community on making our school one of the best in the state. Our students come prepared to learn each day and the behavior expectations set at home are evident at school. We applaud your efforts.

We are always open to suggestions and comments. Feel free to call us anytime!

Sincerely,

Scott Dixon
Principal