

# West-Oak High School

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## West-Oak High School's Five Year Strategic Plan

### Goal 1: Student Achievement

- Increase graduation rate by one percent each year.

### Goal 2: Quality Personnel

- 95% of the instructional staff will make significant progress toward their objectives on an annual basis.

### Goal 3: School Climate

- Based on the state parent and student survey tools, WOHS will score 80% or greater in the "agree" or "strongly agree" categories.

### Purpose Statement:

The purpose of WOHS is to provide students with the tools and opportunities to succeed in the next phase of their lives.

### Mission Statement:

WOHS exists to educate, to engage, and to empower learners in an atmosphere of mutual respect and trust.

### Vision Statement:

The vision of WOHS is to provide all students with the opportunity to excel in life by addressing the following three areas:

1. Students will graduate from WO College and Career ready
  - Increase the level of literacy for all students
  - Increase the overall school average on a variety of standardized tests
2. Implementing, promoting, and utilizing engaging and relevant instructional strategies that focus on state standards and student achievement.
  - Improve graduation rate
  - Increase the level of literacy for all students
  - Increase the overall school average on a variety of standardized tests
  - Promote the 3 R's + 1 of HSTW (building positive Relationships, incorporating Relevancy, and promoting Rigor, all while increasing student Responsibility)
  - Reduce the retention rate
  - Close the achievement gap
3. Establish and maintain positive, productive, and appropriate student and staff relationships
  - Maintain low percentage of student incidents due to poor or inappropriate behavior
  - Improve staff morale
  - Build a stronger sense of West-Oak identity

## Excellence in Co- Curricular and Extra-Curricular Activities



JROTC



FINE ARTS



ATHLETICS



FFA



**Academic Performance:**

	<b>SAT:</b> Combined Verbal and Math	<b>ACT</b>
<b>WOHS</b>	994	17.7
	Best Score = 1050	

<b>2016 EOC % Passing Rate</b>				
	<b>Eng. 1</b>	<b>Alg. 1</b>	<b>Bio. 1</b>	<b>USH</b>
<b>WOHS</b>	73	70	70	59
<b>SDOC</b>	80	85	84	70
<b>Goal</b>	77% pass rate for all students by 2018			

<b>2016 Graduation Rate</b>	
<b>WOHS</b>	80.6
<b>SDOC</b>	84
<b>SC</b>	82.6
<b>2018 Goal</b>	80%

\*5 year average is not available

**State Report Card Rating**

State ratings: Good

**School Improvement Council Members**

Chris Des Marais: Chairman	<b>Parents</b>
Christy Todd: V. Chair	Melanie Burton
Kurt Kreuzberger: ex-officio	Lisa Martin
April Witherspoon: ex-officio	Nicole Nalley
Duncan Pfahler: Teacher	
Mary Stanford: Teacher	
Students from Student Council, FFA, Athletics, JROTC, and Band	

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**We are all Warriors!****At A Glance**

- Over \$4,647,000.00 awarded in scholarships
- Academic bars awarded to over 266 current 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders who earned a 3.5 or higher GPA
  - 8 Palmetto Fellows
  - 120 Life Scholarships
  - 69% of graduating class earned state scholarships
  - 38 All-county band members making up 60% of the county band
  - 21 All-region band members
  - Superior Rating: Band Upper-State



- Qualified for state band competition for the third consecutive year, finishing 4<sup>th</sup>
- Jazz Band received superior rating
- 10 All-county orchestra students
- 14 solo ensemble participants
- 28 All-county chorus members
- 10 Regional choir members
- 12 solo ensemble participants with 9 excellent and 3 superiors
- Boys and Girls State participation
- Two drama performances: Murder Mystery Dinner and Peter Pan
- Students' art work displayed at The BRAC Show
- Student art work displayed at World of Energy Show
- T-Warriors attended the "Night To Shine" Prom
- State participant Trap Shooter
- 44 students participate in NHS
- 20 National Thespian Society member
- 64 Spanish National Honor Society members
- 89 students participate in Beta Club
- Peer Mediation Program for 23 years
- 117 students participate in Interact Club
- Displayed Warrior Wall of Fame for acts of exceptional achievement
- Warrior Strong Initiate sponsored shop with a Warrior for Christmas
- Interact Club participated in community service projects
- 97 students participate in FFA
- FFA sponsored the Carolina Foothills Heritage Fair
- Numerous students received state titles in FFA
- FFA featured in Living Magazine
- JROTC participates in Drill Team and Raider Team competitions
- JROTC planned the Veteran's Day Celebration
- Student Government held a variety of pep rallies and spirit weeks
- Two blood drives sponsored by student government
- Student government and JROTC collected toys for Toys for Tots
- Variety of service and environmental clubs offered
- Athletic Accomplishments:
  - \*18 All-region athletes
  - \*13 All-state athletes
    - \* Fall and Winter only
  - 25 SCHSL Scholar Athletes
  - North South All Star Volleyball participant
  - Two Region Coaches of the year
  - 4 have signed letters of intent
  - One individual state champions in Cross Country and five in wrestling.

**From the Principal**

The 2016-2017 school year continues our tradition of excellence at West-Oak. The hard work of students and faculty has

resulted in improvements in many areas. The class of 2016 received over \$4,647,000.00 in scholarship offers, an outstanding accomplishment. Our athletic, fine arts, and co-curricular programs continue to grow in size and accomplishments, and our faculty and staff remain committed to continuous improvement at WOHS.

Throughout the year, we have examined and evaluated a host of data sources to seek continuous growth and improvement. We focused on effective instructional strategies, implementing technology into the classroom, grading practices, and issues relating to working with students from a variety of socio-economic backgrounds. We continue to foster and improve our healthy school climate. This emphasis has helped us improve student academic success by establishing positive relationships with students, improving instruction, and establishing proven classroom management practices.

Academically, our students have excelled as they work to pursue their post-secondary goals. 266 current 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders completed last year with a GPA of 3.5 or higher, receiving an academic bar. This is an increase in percentage over last year. 69% of our graduating seniors qualified for state scholarships. College bound students were offered and encouraged to participate in our SAT planning sessions sponsored by our guidance department. Our ninth grade PE classes continue to participate with Safe Harbor to focus on the problem of domestic violence. This culminated in an assembly where Senator Alexander presented our students with a Resolution to the Senate Floor to have February declared Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month, which was inspired by our students.

Students were recognized for outstanding performances as they competed with other students across the region and state. Several band, orchestra, and choral students qualified for all-county, all-region, and all-state levels. In visual arts, several students' work was showcased locally and regionally. This year our drama department will produce two performances, *A Dinner Murder Mystery*, and *Peter Pan*. West-Oak athletics continue to have great success with several all-region individuals. Seven teams participated in post season play and our wrestling team placed first in the Upper-state and won the state championship for the 4<sup>th</sup> time in school history.

West-Oak High School will continue to grow next year. We plan to continue working with our students, parents, and community to improve the educational opportunities at West-Oak in the years to come. Our goal is simple; we want to provide the absolute best education for our students and prepare them for the challenges ahead. As students graduate and leave West-Oak High School, we are confident that they are college and career ready, with the skills to be successful in whatever path they pursue.