

Achievements

- 4 National Merit Finalists in 2025
- USNWR ranked DHS 1st in RCSD1, 3rd in Midlands, 14th in SC in 2024
- AP Silver Honor Roll School in 2024
- 38 AP Capstone Diplomas in 2024, 42 AP Capstone Diploma Candidates in 2025
- 80.4% pass rate for AP exams in 2024, well above state and national averages
- 2025 College Board Diversity in Computer Science Award
- 107 CTE Completers in Business Management, PLTW Engineering, and multiple additional areas
- Student named Heyward Career Center Student of the Year (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
- 2 U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad Qualifiers (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- Multiple students pass state and national language exams (Chinese, French, German, Latin, and Spanish)
- Quiz Bowl won District and State Championships in 2025
- Dozens of student artists received local, regional, state, and national Visual Arts awards
- SC State Fair Student Art Education Teacher Award (2023 and 2024)
- Dozens of Band, Choral, Dance, and Orchestra students named to R1 Honors programs
- Multiple Band, Choral, Guitar, and Orchestra students named to Regional and All-State programs
- Marching Band placed 1st in SCBDA 3A Lower State Championship and 2nd in SCBDA 3A State Championship
- Band awarded SCBDA Outstanding Performance Award (2016, 2018, 2019, 2024, and 2025)
- Orchestra awarded SCMEA Outstanding Performance Award 2023-2024
- 25 Theatre students qualified for the ITS Nationals
- Theatre program designated a Gold Honor Troupe by SC Thespians
- SCITS Golden Apple Award for 10 Years of Service in Teaching
- Dozens of thespians received superior ratings at SCITS (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- Top Five Finalist for R1 Teacher of the Year (2022, 2023, 2024)
- Region Champions in 2024-2025: Boys Swimming
- Region Coach of the Year in 2024-2025: Boys Swimming
- Multiple Student-Athletes selected to All-Region Teams; Football Defensive Player of the Year, Region 3 4A
- Multiple Teams reached the 4A State Playoffs

Dreher High School 24-25 SIC Members

Elected Members

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| Kelly Brooks | Teacher |
| Kevin Kirkley | Staff |
| Sally McCants | Parent (Chair) |
| Trevin Montgomery | Parent (Co-chair) |
| Trishanna Montgomery | Parent |
| Halen Moss | Student |
| Lyla Outten | Student |
| Marcia Zug | Parent |

Appointed Members

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| Carroll Kelley | Community Member |
| Hannah Markowitz | Community Member |
| Yolanda Smith | Community Member |
| Alexandria Wyland | Community Member |

Ex-Officio Members

Dr. Lawrence J. Eberlin, Jr. Principal

Purpose of the Report

This Report is issued by the Dreher High 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.

Dreher High School

Annual School Improvement Council (SIC) “Report to the Parents” 2024-2025



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We are Dreher High School, a leader in transforming lives through education, empowering all students to achieve their potential and dreams.

SIC Annual Goals

Goal 1: School Report Card. Increase family and community awareness of the components of the school report card and how the rating is derived, specifically Graduation Rate, College and Career Readiness, and High School Success rating.

Goal 2: Parental / Family Involvement and Feedback. Develop an electronic mechanism for listening to and addressing parent / family concerns with school learning environment.

Goal 3: Student / Parent / Faculty satisfaction with school's learning environment. Working with our school district and community, implement systems to reduce disruptions to instructional time.

Goal 4: Teacher Retention and Development. Communicate school's teacher mentoring efforts and systems to broader school community. Reduce teacher turnover rate to less than 12%.

These four goals align with Dreher's strategic plan, 2024-2029.

For additional information, please visit the Dreher SIC Web Pages:

<https://dreher.richlandone.org/parent-resources/school-improvement-council-sic>

Student Achievement: Class of 2024

Graduation Rate

On-Time Graduation Rate: 88.6%

CCR Rate

College/Career Ready: 71.3%

SAT Results

Composite of
Reading and Math Score: 1060

ACT Results

Average Composite Score: 23.2

2024 Advanced Placement Results

Score of 3 or higher: 80.4%

2023 End-of-Course Exam Pass Rates

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| Algebra 1 | 75.3% |
| Biology 1 | 63.2% |
| English 2 | 86.4% |
| US History | 67.5% |

School Report Card

In 2019, Dreher High School's rating was "Excellent," making it the only high school in Richland County School District One to receive this demarcation. In 2020 and 2021, no designation was given due to COVID. In 2022 and 2023, Dreher received a "Good" rating. And in 2024, DHS's designation moved to "Average."

Additional Information

Demographic Data, 2024-2025 (45th Day)

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| Average Daily Membership | 1149 |
| Black or African American | 42.8% |
| White or Caucasian | 36.8% |
| Hispanic/Latino | 8.7% |
| Two or More Races | 4.3% |
| Asian | 1.7% |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 0.17% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 0.09% |
| Male | 47.7% |
| Female | 52.3% |

Additional Items

National Network for Partnership Schools (NNPS)

University of South Carolina Professional Development School (PDS)

The SIC serves as the Action Team for community partnerships.

Languages Spoken at Dreher High School in 2024-2025

Arabic, Bengali, Cantonese, Chinese, Dari, English, Farsi, French, German, Gujarati, Hebrew, Hindi, K'iche', Korean, Mandarin, Portuguese, Romanian, Slavic, and Spanish.