# From the Nurse Office



My name is Leah Winn. I have been a nurse for 10 years with the majority of that time spent doing home heath. I am thankful to join the SHS Team in December 2022. Since becoming the school nurse, I have enjoyed getting to meet the students and build relationships with them. As summertime approaches, allergies, colds, stomach viruses and COVID are still hanging around. Good hand washing with soap and water is the best prevention for helping stop the spread of germs. If your symptoms don't resolve, please see a doctor. Over summer break, if you know that your child has immunizations that are needed to attend school, please make an appointment with your doctor to get this done. I hope that everyone has an enjoyable, healthy and safe summer! Leah Winn, RN

# From the Attendance Office



I am Yvonne Bethel, attendance clerk at SHS. This is my 3rd year as the attendance clerk and I have truly enjoyed being able to share with students and their parents the importance of being on time to school and to class each day. I take pride in my responsibilities of making sure that all students at SHS understand that their time in the classroom weighs heavy on making good grades. I also provide assistance with helping them to understand the state attendance laws and policies. We as well offer seat recovery, to give students who are failing due to absences, to make up seat time. Yvonne Bethel



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# Principal Etheredge

#### **IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES**

Saluda High School, home to the Fighting Tigers, is located in rural Saluda County, about 45 miles west of Columbia. We have a total of 638 students. Over 70% of our students receive free or reduced lunch, qualifying us as a Title I school. Saluda High School is home to a very diverse population of students, and we have chosen to focus on addressing the unique needs of every student. At Saluda High School, our mission is to provide an environment and culture where teachers can teach, students can learn, and the well-being of all members of the school community matters.

#### Therefore, We:

- Put children first
- Give grace and show kindness
- Serve and respect all without bias
- Promote unselfish collaboration
- Provide a safe and welcoming learning environment
- Demonstrate fair and ethical behavior
- Are trustworthy and reliable
- Commit to building positive relationships
- Provide equal access to all opportunities
- Create innovative learning experiences for our Students

We continue to utilize a Focus Intervention Team that meets biweekly to identify the students' needs and put interventions in place that will address them. We look at academics, attendance, discipline and a host of other factors that may impact a child's education. We have set goals to increase the graduation rate and ensure all students leave Saluda High School college or career ready.

# WE ARE ONE SALUDA

# **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This Report is issued by the Saluda 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.

#### **AP Christy Roberts**

Testing season is here! Please make sure that your student is getting a good night's sleep and eating breakfast in order to be fully prepared for testing.

Remainder tests and dates are: AP Exams May 4th Human Geography and May 5th US History. End of Course Assessment: May 8th English 2-Writing, May 9th English 2 Reading, May 10th Algebra 1, US History May 11th and Biology May 12th.

Final Exams: Seniors-May 16th 1st & 3rd Blocks

May 17th-2nd & 4th Blocks. Underclassmen-May 25th-1st & 3rd Blocks, May 26th-2nd & 4th Blocks.

#### Shayla Pixley-C D Facilitator

This year our students had the opportunity to participate in various career-related activities. This year's Career Fair was a complete success, thanks to our wonderful community members who participated. All of our students were able to participate in this event and gain awareness about the career paths available to them. In addition, we hosted Career Café events where guest speakers were invited in during lunch to speak with our students and they also went on field trips.

In an effort to promote parental involvement and keep our parents updated, Saluda High School hosted three Parent Academies. We hope this event will continue to grow so that we can keep our parents abreast of the happenings in our school and community.

#### **TIGERS ON POINT**



## **Accomplishments & Incentives**

Saluda High School Art Class was chosen to represent South Carolina in the 2022 National Christmas Tree Ornament Design Contest.

SHS Duck Stamp Winners-Haley Taylor, Honorable Mention-Inman Rikard.

Teaching Fellows Recipients-Taylor Crouch, Jonah McCary and Caroline Warren.

The 2022-2023 HOSA class consists of 61 members. Here are some of their accomplishments: 4 blood drives-HOSA Week events-SC HOSA State Leadership Conference-Placed 1st and 4th in competition. 1st place will travel to Dallas TX in June 2023.

Building Construction-completed many on and off campus projects: Uniform rack for Sgt. Phillips, Batting helmet for softball, 11picnic tables for Town of Saluda, Clothes rack & shelves for Guidance office.

Kalyn Estep's Environmental class came up with an idea, to help keep trash off of SHS campus, and to make learning fun. They created the Garbage Olympics. Students competed in a Trash Relay, Garbage Bag Race and the Great Garbage Disposal. Her students enjoyed the opportunity to compete while beautifying the campus, making a difference in the environment and in the community.

**Alberto Perez's** Algebra 2 College Prep class has 4 students who are exhibiting exemplary performances, consistency and dedication towards excellence in Algebra: Dayana Hernandez Juan, Shellie Bodie, Gabriel Munoz and Ana Lopez-Perez.

Academic Interventionalist Tracey Eubanks- reports that this has bee a very productive year for our academic intervention program. The after-school program has serviced over 100 students between August and April. Our Focus Intervention Team (FIT), meets twice a month to review student's grades, attendance and behavior in order to help formulate plans of support for those students who are at risk in those arears. It has been a great year for our students and with our school community s continued support they will continue to work hard toward success.

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# **Mission Statement:**

Teaching Children to be Learners for Life.

Vision: Saluda High School will create a culture that fosters innovative, caring, responsible and self motivated learners who will succeed in an ever-changing world.