

## 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, work of the SIC and other accomplishments during the school year.

- ◆ Girls Basket Ball Team-20/21-Region and State Champions
- ◆ Girls Tennis Team-Region Champions
- ◆ Volleyball Second in the Region
- ◆ Jeanette Wilder Region Coach of the Year
- ◆ Jeanette Wilder SCACA Coach of the Year
- ◆ Jeanette Wilder-High School Sports Report Coach of the Year-North/South All Star Game Coach
- ◆ Cross Country All Region Players-Diana Lezama, Montserrat Martinez, Andrew Cooper and Quebin Gordillo
- ◆ Kalisha Hill-Region Player of the Year, All-State and 2A Player of the Year, North South All Star Game Participant, and All Lakelands Player of the Year. All State Volleyball.
- ◆ All Region Players-Auvia Holland, Kaylen Nick, Tiara Daniels and Mya Carroll.
- ◆ All Region Boys Basketball-Naim Butler and Zion Wright.

Fighting Tigers!

Saluda High School

## SHS Accomplishments

- ⇒ **Karra Canady** -placed 3rd in the SC Jr. Duck Competition. Karra has placed all 4 years of high school.
- ⇒ **Brad Johnson**-District Teacher of the Year
- ⇒ **All Region Football**- Montrevious Baker, Javarious Stevens, Rodrick Rolland, Tyleke Mathis, Sam Espinoza and Jabori Brown.
- ⇒ **All Region Volleyball**- Schyler Dickenson, Natalee Herron and Kalisha Hill.
- ⇒ Region Coach of the Year-Nate Horton.
- ⇒ **SHS Band**- Winter performed at Boling Springs and Byrnes High Schools. Sponsored a Music in Our Schools Month Concert and a Jazz concert.
- ⇒ **FFA** - Managed to carry out traditional activities in spite of the difficult year.: Scavenger Hunt, Adopt a Highway, hosted Ag-oween at Halloween, Petting Zoo with Patchwork Farm, Christmas bags for L & B Care Home,. During National FFA Week SHS Chapter, hosted State Officer visit. Volunteered at Christ Central and served lunch to the SHS faculty and staff. A member participated in the Miss FFA scholarship pageant. One member represented the chapter in the Annual Greenhand Conference. This chapter as well participated in the following virtual state competitions: Prepared Public Speaking, Extemporaneous Public Speaking, Agronomy, Tool Identification, and Livestock.

## Saluda High School 2020/2021 Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents"

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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.

## From the Nurse Office

The 2020-21 school year brought many challenges. We were all hoping that COVID-19 would have gone away already. I started this School Nurse position November 2, 2020 in the midst of many unknowns. DHEC has done a great job providing guidelines and recommendations that are enforced in the school setting. Many precautions were taken to ensure the safety of our students and staff. Some examples include: ensuring mask compliance, maintaining social distancing, disinfecting areas frequently, contact tracing, isolating sick students to help prevent the spread of illness, etc.

Nursing is a work of heart!

Tiffany Price, BSN,RN



## SRO Office- Chris Crouch



What a year we have had here in Saluda County! The summer is almost here, and our students need to stay busy. The greatest asset to our community is our children, so we need to keep our children engaged with learning, friendship, and fun. We as parents need to know the W's who our children are with, what they are doing, where they are going, and when we all will be back together as a family. Parents, I ask that you keep these W's in mind as summer comes and that the Future Leaders of our Community, State and Nation belong to you. Take care of our greatest assets, your children, our students.

## Counseling Department

The SHS school counseling department has been working tirelessly in creating positive change for the betterment of our students, as well as their parents. The 2020-2021 school year brought with it many significant challenges, but we were able to ensure rigorous and relevant coursework for each one of our students, whether they decided to be face to face learners or decided to be full time distance learners.

The graduating class of 2021 has six Palmetto Fellows Scholars to date. This is the highest scholarship honor awarded by The State of South Carolina. We have received notices of 70 colleges acceptances for at least 33 students.

Dr. Vacchio and Mrs. Yolanda Moore, created and implemented a new program to both facilitate and enhance student social-emotional development. The Golden Gate Movement is a districtwide initiative which launched earlier this year, which teaches kindness, compassion and inclusion. These are three components which proved to be crucial during this challenging year.

We are  
**ONE SALUDA**

## 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 558 students. Over 70 percent of our students receives free or reduced lunch, which qualifies us as a Title I school. Saluda High School is home to a very diverse population of students, and we have chosen to focus a significant portion of our social-emotional aspects of learning. At Saluda, we believe that building relationships and trust is paramount in the education of our students.

As a result of the emphasis placed on social-emotional learning, we have seen a dramatic decline in disciplinary issues and a boost in test scores. We pride ourselves on providing the best environment possible for teachers and students. During the 2020-2021 school year, Saluda County Schools remain a 5-day face-to-face district from the beginning of school in August and is still going strong into May. We are very proud of our work and the services we have provided for our schools and family during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Despite the sometimes limited resources, we pride ourselves on doing everything possible to prepare our students for college and career-ready. We are proud to involve all stakeholders in achieving the best school possible. We are rich in history and tradition and blessed to have tremendous community support.

**#MakingHistory**

Saluda High School  
2020-2021  
School Improvement Council  
Members

Robert Etheredge-Principal  
Christy Roberts-Assistant Principal  
Trey Shealy-Chairperson  
Albert Etheredge-Vice Chairperson  
Sarah Lewis-Secretary  
Denise Butler-Parent  
Candace Rinehart-Parent  
Karra Canady-Student  
Emily Farmer-Student  
Andrew Cooper-Student  
Shaniqua Gilliam-Student  
Anna Ringer-Student  
Crystal Canady-Teacher  
Heather Harmon-Teacher  
Brad Johnson-Teacher of the Year  
Mark Romano-Teacher  
Tyler Sheridian-Teacher  
Jennifer Gentry-Community  
Stephaine McCary-Community  
Kelly White-Community  
Chris Crouch-Resource Officer