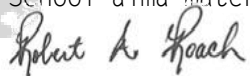


Palmetto High School

2015 Report to the Parents

Dear Parents and Stakeholders,

We are excited to present you with the 2014-2015 *Report to the Parents*. As you review this document, it is our hope that you will gain a sense of the same pride that we have in the academic, artistic, and athletic achievements of our students and faculty. We appreciate the opportunities that have been realized through the Anderson School District One Digital Innovation Initiative as our district has distributed iPads to all students in grades 3-12. Technology has not replaced teaching, but it certainly has enhanced learning for our students and significantly impacted their college and career readiness. In the demanding and competitive areas of college achievement and success in industry, the problem solving skills that are focused upon through the use of these powerful devices prove to be invaluable. We continue to be committed to striving for increased academic achievements, striving for increased participation in activities and sports, and striving to open doors of opportunity for all students. Please join me in recognizing the amazing efforts of our students, faculty and staff, and community stakeholders as we also strive to reflect the support and values of our community. As stated in the Palmetto High School alma mater, we truly are "Striving ever upward".



Robert A. Roach, Principal



It is the nature of the strong heart, that like the palm tree it strives ever upwards when it is most burdened. *-Philip Sydney*

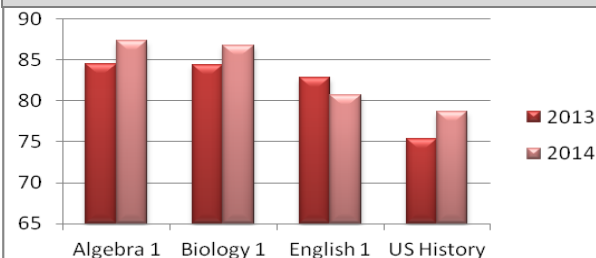
The Purpose of Report to the Parents

The South Carolina Statute (Act 135) requires Palmetto High School to publish and distribute a *Report to the Parents*. This publication provides an update on our progress towards our major goals as indicated in our school improvement plan. This report includes accomplishments and test data as well as school improvement activities planned for this school year. Please review this information and contact the school if you have any questions. Your suggestions concerning the improvement of our school are always welcome.

ABSOLUTE RATING OVER A FIVE YEAR PERIOD (2010-2014)

EXCELLENT

END OF COURSE EXAMS



GRADUATION RATE	
2013	2014
81.4%	84.1%

ACT RESULTS			
NUMBER TESTED		COMPOSITE SCORE	
2013	2014	2013	2014
63	61	21.0	22.2

HSAP PASSAGE RATES	
2013	2014
92.3%	93.4%

SAT RESULTS							
COMPOSITE SCORE		CRITICAL READING		MATH		WRITING	
2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
1384	1438	467	490	476	493	441	456

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EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS, ARTS, and ATHLETICS

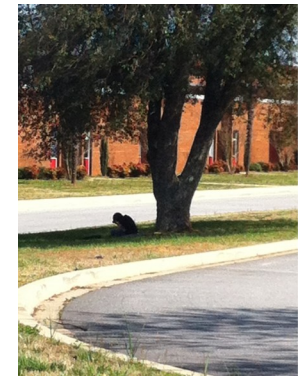
Palmetto High School is proud to offer the following programs to our students:

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| Academic Intervention | Jazz Band |
| Adopt-A-Highway | Job Coach |
| Advanced Placement Programs (10) | Job Shadowing/Placement |
| AFJROTC | Key Club |
| AFJROTC Color Guard/Sabre Team | Kitty Hawk Air Society |
| After-School Tutoring Program | Marching Band |
| Athletic Sports Teams | National Art Honor Society |
| CAPS conferences | National Beta Club |
| Career and Technology Center | National Honor Society |
| Career Development Facilitator | Percussion Ensemble |
| Chorus | Relay for Life |
| College and Career Fairs | SAT/ACT/Workkeys courses |
| Color Guard/Winter Guard | School Improvement Council |
| Concert Band | Spanish National Honor Society |
| Concert Orchestra | Special Olympics |
| Drama/Choral Production | STEMS/LDC/Literature and Math readiness |
| Dual Credit Courses | Student Government |
| Early Intervention Strategies | Teacher Cadets |
| Freshman Academy | Thriving Thursday PLC Meetings |
| Graduation Coach | Tri-M Music Honor Society |
| Instructional Coach | Virtual Credit Recovery/Accrual |
| i-Students | |



Palmetto High School School Improvement Council

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| LouAnn Roulette | President |
| Cindy Robertson | Vice-President |
| Lisa Ferguson | Secretary |
| Jeffrey Bullock | Parent |
| Beverly Greenway | Parent |
| Rob Robertson | Parent |
| Chris Bradberry | Parent |
| Jenny Trombley | Teacher |
| Lisa Wardlaw | Teacher |
| April Hays | Teacher |
| Amy McKee | Teacher |
| Sam Ellison | Student |
| Brooke Ellison | Student |
| Brandin Hawkins | Student |
| Tyler Clem | Community |
| Beth Jennings | Community |
| Robert Roach | Principal, ex-officio |



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Palmetto High School is to create a family-friendly learning environment where we care about each other, build character, learn curriculum, and develop citizenship. To that end, we each strive to be educable, ethical, responsible, and accountable. For us, success is defined as giving our best each day in an attempt to become all we are capable of.



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