

## SALUDA HIGH SCHOOL

### **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.

### School Nurse Gina Fingerlin

Spring is here, and allergies, colds, stomach viruses and even the flu are still hanging around. Good hand washing with soap and water is the best prevention for spreading common colds, and viruses. Using sanitizer is also an option, but is not as effective as washing your hands with soap and water. If you are suffering from common seasonal allergies/sinuses, there are many over the counter preparations that may help. Check with your doctor if signs and symptoms don't resolve. Please remember that I do not have medications that I can give out for allergies and colds, unless a parent or guardian has brought medications in for the student and signed the appropriate medication forms.  
**Stay healthy and safe!**

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report is provided to parents in compliance with the Education Finance Act (EFA) and the Education Improvement Act (EIA). It is a report to share the accomplishments of Saluda High School with students, parents, and teachers for the current school year.

## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

**Sarah Longshore-Principal**

**Trey Shealy-Chairperson-Community**

**Deborah Minick-Ex-Officio**

**Abbey Duggins-Ex-Officio**

**Faron Rikard-Ex-Officio**

**Wuilmer Moreno-Teacher**

**Carrie Forrest-Teacher**

**Martha Lamus-Teacher**

**Jason Stansel-Teacher**

**Sarah Lewis- Secretary**

**Yolanda Moore-Appointed**

**Jacquelyn Middleton-Parent**

**Albert Etheredge-Community**

**Hortencia Acevedo-Parent**

**Edgar Zamorano Morales-Student**

**Macy Crawford-Student**

**Gavin Wheeler -Student**

**Jennifer Gentry-Parent**

**Stephanie McCary-Parent**

**Crystal Canady-Parent**

## Principal Longshore

### IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

It has been another exciting year at Saluda High School. One of our biggest behavior concerns in 2015-2016 was tardies; students racked up a total of 4,907 tardies. We are please to report that the number of tardies has decreased in 2016-2017 by approximately 46%. One of the ways School Improvement Council has supported this effort and has helped to promote a positive school culture is by sponsoring an annual event called Tiger Pride Day, which recognizes all students who have consistently demonstrated appropriate behavior and academic performance throughout the school year. The other major project our SIC has adopted this year is to design and construct a new and attractive trophy case in the front entrance of the complex to showcase the many accomplishments of our students and faculty in academics, athletics, areas of leadership and service, etc. SIC members have done extensive research over the course of this school year, and plans are underway to begin its construction. It has certainly been as exciting year, and we are incredibly proud of what we have been able to accomplish and look forward to all of the advances sure to come.

### SRO Chris Crouch

It is sad that our youth today have knowledge of substance abuse. Through TV and the availability of these substances on the street they have knowledge. We can not watch our children all of the time, so we must express to them that we love them and trust that they will make the right decisions. It is our job as parents to instill good choices into our future leaders. Know their friends, talk to them about their everyday life show interest in their activities and concerns.

**Have a safe and happy summer break!**

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Guidance

Over 300 students are currently being served through Virtual and APEX courses. There are 12 seniors that will graduate from the PTC Middle College Program. Two of these students will have their diploma and Associates in Arts degree from PTC. There are 55 juniors and seniors enrolled in PTC's On-Deck Dual Enrollment program. Guidance is seeing a record number of students requesting AP courses for next year. AP courses allow the student to earn college credit with a qualifying score on the AP exam. Juniors had the opportunity to take the ACT college entrance exam in February. Juniors also took the ACT WorkKeys Assessment.

### Athletics

**Spring 2016**– The Boys' Soccer team won the region title and advanced to the 3rd round of the state playoffs. One player was named the Region Player of the Year and made All-State. The Girls' Soccer team made the state playoffs and one player was named Region Co-Player of the Year. She also broke the school record for most goals in a season. The softball team made it to the state playoffs. The Softball coach was selected as an assistant and a player was selected to participate in the North/South All-Star Game. The Baseball team won the District Championship for the first time in school history. One player was named Region Player of the Year, All-State, and was a member of the SC Select All-Star Team. Another baseball player made the North/South All-Star Game. The Boys and Girls Tennis teams won the region championship. Two players were named Region Players of the Year, one female named All Lakelands, five females named All Region, and the Girls' coach named Coach of the year. The Golf team made the state tournament. The Boys' and Girls' Track teams had several to participate in the State Track meet. One male track participant made All-State. **Fall 2016**– The Volleyball team advanced to the state playoffs for the first time in six seasons. One player was named Region Player of the year. The Football team won the Region Championship and made it to the Upper State Championship game. The team had three players make All-State. The placekicker broke a state record for most consecutive extra points made. One player was selected as Region Player of the Year and played in the Shrine Bowl All-Star Game. One player was selected to play in the North/South All-Star-Game. Three players were selected to play in the SC/GA Border Bowl All-Star Game. **Winter 2016-2017**-The Boys' Basketball team made it to the third round of the state playoffs for the first time in 13 seasons. The Girls' Basketball team made the state playoffs and had a player named Co-Region Player of the Year and All-State. The head Girls' basketball coach was selected as an assistant for the North/South All-Star Game.

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### HOSA

HOSA had two students to place 4th in Community Awareness. One student placed 3rd in Healthcare Photography, as to be elected SC HOSA Vice President for 2017-2018, and will travel to the International Leadership conference in Orlando, FL in June. Seven students passed the National Health Science Assessment, and eight students passed the National Nurse Aide Assessment.

### Art

Art student placed 2nd in the SC Jr. Duck Stamp State Contest; and three students received Honorable Mentions.

### NNDCC

Team placed over 500 flags and pin wheels around the community in recognition of Child Abuse Awareness. They participated in the "Iron Man Challenge" provided by the Army National Guard. Cadets have put in over 1800 hours of community service. The cadets will also assist with the Special Olympics to be held at SHS. Cadets completed two 4 mile roadside clean-ups on highway 378.

### Beta Club

Sponsored a sock drive for Christ Central. Partnered with Student Council and FCA to adopt 5 families for Christmas. Beta Club will assist with Special Olympics, and host the powderpuff game.

### 2017 SC Secondary Assistant Principal of the Year

Dr. Abbey Duggins was named Secondary Assistant Principal of the Year.

### Teacher of the Year

Jonathan Ergle was nominated as the Teacher of the Year.

### FFA

FFA student placed 2nd Runner Up in the Mr. FFA & Top Application, Mr. Smith Hughes Award; and 4th high individual score in the state for horse judging.

### Boys State and Girls State

Five students were selected to attend Boys State, and four were selected to attend Girls State this summer. One student was selected to attend the Law Academy.

### National Honor Society

The NHS organized a fundraiser for the National Kidney Foundation for awareness and in honor of Marty Longshore, an SHS alum, and husband of Principal Longshore. The students and faculty purchased tickets for the chance to participate as "Principal of the Day." The total amount raised and donated to the National Kidney Foundation was \$600.

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### **Athletics Continuation**

The Varsity Boys Basketball team also, finished the season with 16 wins and 12 losses. They finished their season among the top 10 teams in the 2A region, and the top 100 teams in the state of South Carolina. Two players were named All-Region , and one player was nominated for the High School Sports Report All State Team. Several players have received interest from colleges this year, and three players received invites to play on the Adidas gauntlet Gold Division sponsored team called the Karolina Khaos.