

Lancaster High

Bruins

Our demographics

School principal: Rosalyn Mood Began at school: 1999 In district: 1999 In education: 1982

Grades served: 9 - 12 Enrollment: 1350 Economic status: 73% free & reduced lunch

Diversity: 36% White, 49% African-American, 11% Hispanic, 4% Other

Number of teachers: 82 Classified: 35 Administrators: 6 Counselors: 5 Media specialists: 2

Other: 2 Resource Officers, 2 Nurses (1 serves as classroom assistant)

Teachers with advanced degrees: 56% Teacher attendance: 96.2% Student attendance: 93.7%

Our mission

The mission of Lancaster High School is to assist students in becoming successful, well-adjusted, contributing members of society by providing an atmosphere which encourages academic, vocational, and personal growth through a challenging curriculum in partnership with home and community.

Our facilities

Date main building was built: 1993 Date of renovations: 2017-present

Square feet: 331,305 Number of computers: 1,500 Number of classrooms: 84

Specialty areas: 4 computer labss)

Our school programs

- **Back Pack Feeding Program** – 185 weekend meals distributed to various students within the district
- **College Offerings on Site** – Opportunities for dual-credit courses via Advanced Placement (AP), USC-L and York Technical College
- **Credit Recovery** – Credit recovery via distance education and online instruction
- **High Schools That Work** – Philosophy requiring college and career preparedness of all students
- **JAG** – Jobs for American Graduates – Dropout prevention program targeting ninth graders
- **LearnTV** – Broadcast journalism on school campus serving students and community
- **New Teacher Mentoring/Poverty Class** – Support focus for professional growth for new staff members
- **PowerHouse** – Community-based program that addresses the unique needs of at-risk students, emphasizing academic success, positive self-esteem and self control
- **Read Right** – Funded by a \$200,000 3-year grant Lancaster High won to support and improve literacy among students
- **Special Needs Programs** – Focus on integrating educational opportunities across the curriculum
- **Summer Enrichment Program** – Four-year program funded by a \$596,664 Education and Economic Development Act (EEDA) Preparing College- and Career-Ready Graduates Grant
- **SC Virtual School** – Provides students with the opportunity to take courses that are not offered at Lancaster High

Our co-curriculum, clubs, athletics

Clubs

- Anointed Voices of Praise
- Art Honor Society
- Beta Club

- Chorus
- Civinettes
- Drama Club
- Drill Team (ROTC)
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- First Priority
- Gentlemen’s League
- Honor Society
- International Thespian Society
- Junior Civitans
- Lunch Time Reads
- Marching Band
- ROTC Color Guard
- Scribe Society
- Student Council

Publications

- Bruin Pride (newspaper)
- Parent Link (parent newsletter)
- Rambler (yearbook)

Athletics

- Varsity/JV Football
- B Team Football
- Boys/Girls Swim
- Boys/Girls Tennis
- Boys/Girls Cross-Country
- Varsity/JV Volleyball
- Varsity/JV Boys Basketball
- Varsity/JV Girls Basketball
- B Team Boys Basketball
- Varsity/JV Wrestling
- Varsity/JV Boys Soccer
- Varsity/JV Girls Soccer
- Boys/Girls Golf
- Boys/Girls Track
- Cheer Team
- Varsity/JV Baseball
- Varsity/JV Softball

Our parent/parent support programs

- Athletic Boosters
- Band Boosters
- Community Advocates
- Parent Volunteers
- School Improvement Council

Our school strengths

- Freshman programs that include components designed to help ninth-grade students adjust to high school
- Emphasis on participation in AP and college credit courses
- Read Right program addresses reading deficiencies for identified students in grades 9-12
- Strong efforts to establish positive “school-to-home” communications
- Strong efforts to provide students with extra help and assistance with their classes

Our honors/awards

- **Rambler (yearbook) for last 8 years**
 - 1 All-American – NSPA (National Scholastic Press Association)
 - 4 All-Southern – SIPA (Southern Interscholastic Press Association)
 - 8 All-State – South Carolina (SCSPA)
 - 2 Best Book – South Carolina
 - 5 Gold Medals – CSPA – Columbia Scholastic Press Association (New York)
 - 7 Palmetto Awards “Best Book” for Class III School (SCSPA)
 - 1 Silver Crown – CSPA – Columbia Scholastic Press Association (New York)
- **Junior Civitans – International Awards**
 - 2017-18 Club of the Year
 - 2017-18 Club Officer of the Year – Jacob Cato
 - 2017-18 Environmental Project
 - 2017-18 Honor Club
 - 2017-18 On-Going Project
- **Junior Civitans – State Awards**
 - 2017-18 Best Club President – Alex Barton
 - 2017-18 Campus Project
 - 2017-18 Club of the Year
 - 2017-18 Collection Selection
 - 2017-18 Community Project
 - 2017-18 District Officer of the Year – Ryan Knight
 - 2017-18 Junior Civitan of the Year & Most Individual Service Hours – Connor Parman
 - 2017-18 Most Club Service Hours
 - 2017-18 Officer of the Year – Jacob Cato
 - 2017-18 Winter Service Project – Second Place
- **Civinettes**
 - 2018-19 Campus Project of the Year
 - 2018-19 Social Causes Project
 - 2018-19 Advisor of the Year – Mrs. Knight & Mrs. Young
 - 2018-19 Special Friends Award
 - 2018-19 Club of the Year – Second Place
 - 2018-19 Environmental Project – Second Place
 - 2018-19 President of the Year – Second Place – Lakin Hanna
 - 2018-19 Club Officer of the Year – Second Place – Gracie Bradley
 - 2017-18 Advisor of the Year – Alessandra Young
 - 2017-18 Claude Wilkes Attendance Award
 - 2017-18 Collection Selection – 2nd Place
 - 2017-18 Funfest – 2nd Place
- **Palmetto Gold Award**
 - 2011-12, 2008-09, 2004-05, 2002-03

- **Palmetto Silver Award – LHS**
 - 2011-12
- **2004-05 Smaller Learning Community Grant**
- **7 National Board Educators**
- **Honor Unit with Distinction**
 - JROTC Program – 14 consecutive years
 - Rated in the top 10 percent in the nation
- **2018 State AAAA Golf Champions**
- **2017-18 Athletics**
 - Boys Golf – Region Champions
 - Softball – Region & District Champions
 - Boys Tennis – Region Champions