

DREHER HIGH SCHOOL

2015-2016 AAA SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

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Dear Friends,

I am excited that Dreher has been selected as one of only four high schools in the state to participate in the College Board's **AP Capstone Diploma Program**. This prestigious program focuses on the inquiry, research, and writing skills crucial for success in college and careers.

To implement the program, Dreher is offering an **AP Seminar** in the 2016-2017 school year and an **AP Research** course in the following year. These courses are in addition to our lineup of twenty other rigorous AP courses.

Dreher students also are taking advantage of our growing suite of engineering courses in **Project Lead the Way (PLTW)**. During the 2015-2016 school year there were eighty-five students in the introductory course and over 60% of them have chosen to continue in higher level PLTW courses like **Principles of Engineering, Civil Engineering, Digital Electronics and Aerospace Engineering**. Students who successfully combine AP courses with PLTW courses can receive special recognition from the College Board.

It's a great time to be a student at Dreher!

Jeanne Stiglbauer,
Principal



Dreher received the **Palmetto Gold Award**, South Carolina's highest award for academic excellence.

Dreher had six 2016 **National Merit Finalists** and five **National Merit Commended Scholars**.

Seniors' mean composite SAT scores rose eight points to 1485, above state and national averages.

Out of the senior class of 239, forty-four students were named **High School Scholars** and/or **Richland One Academic All-Stars**.

Over five dozen seniors scored 1100 or higher on SAT or 24 or higher on ACT to meet one qualification for the **Life Scholarship**.

Twenty-one seniors were candidates for the **Palmetto Fellows Scholarship**.

In May 2016, 274 students took **506 AP exams**. Pass rate (score of 3 or higher) was **71%**.

Seven students made a **perfect score (800)** on one or more sections of the SAT and five made a **perfect score (36)** on one or more sections of the ACT.

Eleven seniors attained **National AP Scholar** status.

Twenty-five seniors were named **AP Scholars with Distinction**, four were **AP Scholars with Honor** and twelve were **AP Scholars**.

Honor Academy graduates include twenty-eight seniors in the **Engineering and Science Academy**; twenty-nine in the **Humanities Academy**; twenty-six in the **AP Institute**; and forty-one in the **Fine Arts Institute**.

Our 2015 **End of Course** scores were above state averages and led the district.



Achievement in Academics

The State Champion Academic Decathlon Team placed 4th in our division and 12th overall in the nation at the USA Championships in Alaska. David Munn Carstensen received a Silver Medal for achieving the second highest Varsity score in the nation. **Mallory Johnson** received the highest total score for the Dreher team. **Emily Shimizu** was voted most valuable by her teammates.



For the second consecutive year **Zach Aull** was awarded the Founder's

Scholarship for being the most improved Varsity level player. Awarded gold, silver or bronze medals were **Dylan Connell, Mallory Johnson, Charlotte McAdams, David Munn Carstensen,**

Emily Shimizu, Lucas Tappa and Carina Tuel.

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"Warm and Cool Larvae" by AP Art student **Emily Shimizu** won the District's **Gordon and Regan McAndrew Award**.



Odalys Trejo's black and white photograph (above) received the **Award for Creative Excellence** and **Sarah Swan Kloos's** color photograph (below) was named "**Best in Show**" at the District's Literacy Festival.



Emily Shimizu won the **Gordon and Regan McAndrew Award** at the District's Annual Art Exhibit.

Kyra Ostrovsky won "**Best in Show**" in puppetry at the District Literacy Festival.

Art teacher **Laurie McKee** placed first in the District Visual Literacy Festival for Photography.

Odalys Trejo placed first and received the **Award for Creative Excellence** in Black and White Digital Photography at the Visual Literacy Festival.

Sarah Swan Kloos placed first and was "**Best in Show**" in the category of Color Digital Photography at the Visual Literacy Festival.

Works of seventeen art students were exhibited in Columbia College's celebration of **Georgia O'Keeffe**.

Sally Thames received an overall rating of **Superior** in the Monologue Category at SCITS/PDA. She qualified for national competition.

Junior and Senior orchestra students were rated **Superior** at the **SC Music Educators Association Concert Festival**.

The band received a rating of **Superior** at the State Festival of the **SC Band Directors Association**.

Both the concert choir and the chamber choir were rated **Superior** at the **SC Music Educators Association State Choral Festival**.

Ben Eidson on alto sax and **Shayla Jones** on drum set and auxiliary percussion were named to the **All-State Jazz Band**.

Benjamin Eidson on alto sax, **Luke Smoak** on trumpet and **Noah Benitez-Nelson** on oboe earned seats in the **2016 All-State Concert Band**.

Jarvernique Tinsley was chosen first chair tenor sax in the **Region Senior Band**. Six others earned seats in Region Senior Band.

Earning first chairs in the Regional Clinic Band were **Noah**

Benitez-Nelson on oboe, **Joshua Brady** on trumpet and **Sterling Harris** on trombone. Five other students earned seats in the Region Clinic Band.

Achievement in Arts



Dreher chorus sang at the **Governor's Carolighting Ceremony** at the State House.

Outstanding Activities

David Kleinfelder was inducted into the SC Soccer Coaches Hall of Fame. He was the named "State Coach of the Year" by the National Federation of State HS Associations, the SC High School League and Richland School District One.

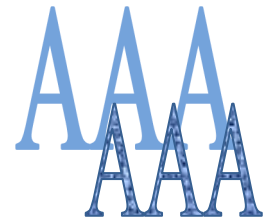


Walter Graham was honored in *The State* newspaper's "Twenty Under Forty" list of community leaders.

Seven-time Grammy Award winning legend **Al Jarreau** and singer/composer **Khristian Dentley** of Grammy Award winning *Take Six* both conducted Master Classes at Dreher.

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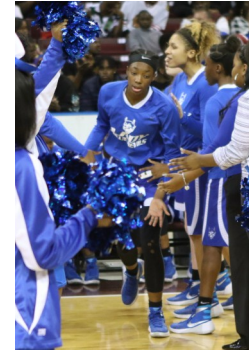
Seniors signing with colleges:

- ◆ **Avery Armstrong** and **Noah Turnley** will play football at Furman University
- ◆ **Eric Von Hollen** will play football at Maryville (TN) College.
- ◆ **Matthew Tindall** will play football at Presbyterian College.
- ◆ **Makayla Keitt** will run on the North Greenville University track team.
- ◆ **Evan Phillips** will play soccer at Spartanburg Methodist.
- ◆ **Theo Kahler** will run track and cross country at Winthrop University

Kathleen Alden and **Theo Kahler** were named "All-State" in cross country.

Evan Hanner was selected as "All-State" in tennis.

The Girls' Basketball Team are 2016 State Champions



Senior **Jhileiya Dunlap** was named to the **All-State** team and was selected as "**SC Gatorade Player of the Year**" in Girls' Basketball.

Achievement in Athletics

Five players on the Girls Soccer team were named **All-State**: **Kendall DeBerry, Naomi Matthusen, Kasey Parker, Maggie Shaw** and **Samantha Shaw**.



For the second consecutive year, **Kasey Parker** was selected as "**SC Gatorade Player of the Year**" in Girls' Soccer. She will play for University of North Carolina.



Seven students competed in the **Special Olympics**.

Outstanding Activities



Three senior NJROTC cadets committed to military service: **Monica Robinson** enlisted in the Marines, and **Calvin Pough** (Navy) and **Makayla Keitt** (Army) will enter after college.

Calvin Pough never missed a day in 12 years of schooling. Six other students had perfect attendance this year.

Nahndi Kirk-Bradley was SC State FBLA Secretary for 2015-2016. **Lauren Davis** and **Nadia Elkazzaz** placed third in Digital Video Production at state FBLA.

Dreher contributed the equivalent of 4765 meals to **Harvest Hope Food Bank**.

Twelve AP Art students contributed their work to the **Artists for Africa** fundraiser.



Scores of students, staff and members of the community volunteered their time, talent and money to assist in **flood relief** during October.



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National Merit Finalists (above) are **Ethan Gibson, Emily Tuten, Kelly Sharpe, Emily Cross, Mallory Johnson** and **Emily Shimizu.**

Max Craighead, Carina Tuel, Madison Hrin, Hadley McCollester and **Samantha McClain** (right) are **National Commended Scholars.**

**We are so proud of our 2016
National Scholars!**

