

October 20, 2025
River Bluff High School SIC
6-7pm

Attendance:

Britt Collins
Courtney Lasky
Steven Horan
Donna Peterson
Brent Squires
Jacob Smith
Katrinda Scott
Rahat Khan
Angela Albetez
Kathryn Barton
Bob Turbeville
Ryan Poles

Agenda

6-6:16pm : Welcome and circle up

6:16- 6:31: Principal's greeting and status report

-School report card will be coming out with an "Excellence" score due to incredible teachers, students, and leaders who ensure the bar is set high. RBHS is one of the only high schools in the state to earn this rating. There will be a celebration to come with the announcement in November.

-Areas of strength were: graduation rates, student progress, arts and athletics, academic excellence, college and career readiness, and closing gaps for sub groups of opportunities and privileges

-Mr. Smith also discussed athletic highlights:

- Football program is improving after losing 30 seniors last year
- Swim team are set to receive championship rings
- Ladies golf will be participating in the upcoming state championship
- Ladies tennis are region champs
- Cross country girls places 3rd in the state and boys are 6th in the state
- Volleyball team has strong potential for state championship win

-Q&A:

Is there an option to balance activities at RBHS with activities at feeder schools to reduce overlaps? Yes, this is a priority this year to improve upon. Mr. Smith has created a shared doc with local feeder schools and principals to reduce this barrier as much as possible.

6:31-6:41- CREW: What is happening so far

-CREW is a class that meets daily for every student. The classes have approximately 17 students who are grouped together for two years at a time. The focus is to build strong relationships between teachers and students to work on making a positive impact in the outside world and be a contributing member to the community.

-Last months activities include the Homecoming banner contest, buddy CREW meetings, and fun Fridays

-11th grade CREWs go to Saluda Shoals rope course. One teacher reported that she saw students better understand the idea of knowing what our strengths and challenges are and how we can work together to solve.

-9th grade CREWs will be going to the zoo over 4 days to complete a scavenger hunt

-10th grade CREWs work on their passion projects. Many projects are related to exercise, goal setting, art/music development, and time management

-12th grade CREWs create a service oriented impact project related to the Lexington 1 Graduate Program Competencies. The goal of these projects is to encompass these competencies. Examples include: Joining the Be The Match program to conduct an interview with a donor who is helping with their leader's bone marrow transplant, an inclusive trunk or treat with the special education department, joining Habitat for Humanity and building a house in Cayce, SC, and volunteering at Lexington extended care to combat senior loneliness

6:41-6:56: Winnowing our focus for SIC 2025-26 related to the glows and grows discussed at previous meeting.

The group chose the following top 4 priorities:

1. Address student freedoms not used wisely. This includes supporting students with learning how to study wisely and learn critical thinking.
2. Have more focus on non-traditional professional ideas. This goal is to address the 12% who are not meeting college/career readiness standards.
3. Find ways to reach all families and students who are slipping through the cracks by also including all learning styles.
4. Further explaining the importance and difference of Dual Enrollment and AP courses in order to better help students make/understand decisions related to their future paths.

6:56-7:00: Closing Remarks

-There is an upcoming Community Conversation that will be held at RBHS on Jan 29, 2026. This will include a roundtable conversation to discuss district plans as well as an open conversation to share with all board members. This meeting will serve as our January SIC meeting.