



The mission of Hillcrest High School is to educate all students to become positive, productive citizens, equipped to meet the challenges of today's global society.

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DID YOU KNOW?

9th grade core classes have reduced class sizes and single gender and are located separately in our Freshman Academy.

All students are encouraged to take the SAT/ACT and our graduation rate is one of the leading in GCSD.

HHS has new athletic facilities and is one of 3 schools in GCSD with an upgraded rubberized track.

A strong outreach program is promoted through our annual Spirit Week and food drive. HHS students have given over half a million dollars over the past few years to charities and underprivileged schools.

RECENT CLASS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Exemplary Honor (4.0 GPA) Graduates

Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Recipients

National Merit Scholars

Over \$10 million in Scholarship Money awarded

Advanced Placement Scholars

Acceptances to outstanding colleges and universities:

Clemson University, Clemson Honors Program

University of South Carolina, USC Honors Program

Boston College

Wofford College

College of Charleston Honors College

Hillcrest HIGH SCHOOL



What Can Hillcrest Offer You?

AP COURSES

Enrollment in Advanced Placement courses exceeds 400 this year. Students have the opportunity to receive college credit before graduating from high school. Hillcrest offers some of the most diverse AP courses in the district including Art: Design, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, English Language, English Literature, Environmental Science, European Science, European History, Human Geography, Microeconomics, Psychology, Spanish Language, Statistics, US Government and Politics, US History, and World History.

TEACHERS

All teachers at Hillcrest High School are highly qualified in their subject area. Fifty-nine of our teachers hold masters degrees and twelve hold a masters plus thirty degree. Our teachers have earned additional certifications: National Board, 13; Advanced Placement, 26; and Gifted and Talented, 28.

BUSINESS CERTIFICATES

Our Business Department is the largest in Greenville County boasting 6 full time teachers. We offer the widest variety of business classes including Accounting, Business Finance, and a Virtual Enterprise class. Students who complete at least four classes within the Business Department receive a Business Completer Certificate upon graduation. These classes are instrumental for students who plan to major in any form of business in higher education.

GREENHOUSE INDUSTRIES

Hillcrest offers a unique opportunity for its students through its Greenhouse Industries. Students work in the onsite greenhouse during the school day, after school, and in the summer. The Greenhouse Industries program sponsors plant sales throughout the year, offering student-grown plants and flowers to the public. The Greenhouse Industries class also holds a Christmas Tree sale every winter. Hillcrest's Greenhouse Industries program has earned over \$20,000 since its inception and is recognized by the state as an exemplary program.

SPEECH & DEBATE

Our Speech and Debate program has been in place for over 15 years. We have had district, state, and national winners in oratory, congressional debate, and interpretive events. The Speech and Debate Team has also won three national championships in Dramatic and Duo Interpretation.

TEACHER CADET

Teacher Cadet gives academically able students the opportunity to experience the teaching profession first-hand. Students work with local children in surrounding schools to determine if the teaching profession is a good fit for them as a future profession. By the end of the course, students have learned leadership skills applicable to any field or profession.

LEADERSHIP CLASS

Leadership is an elective by teacher recommendation. Leadership styles and attributes are studied and practiced. Students learn planning and management skills through personal projects they initiate and execute. Hillcrest High endeavors, such as Spirit Week, serve as real-world business models.

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT

Hillcrest's Fine Arts Dept. is also a leader in our school district and many times hosts the All County Chorus concert, as well as, the All County Band concert. Our Art Department boasts students who have won district, state, and national awards. Hillcrest is also proud of our Musical Theatre class that produces a major production every two years. This year *Into the Woods* was a great success.

ATHLETICS

Hillcrest consistently boasts some of the top athletic teams in our state, as well as, having many students who are college bound athletes. We have a total of forty-six teams, 22 of them are varsity. This year, alone, Hillcrest has four Region Championship teams: Boys Basketball, Wrestling, Boys Golf, and Baseball. We have 47 All Region Selections and thirteen All State Athletes. In recent years, our Volleyball team was also Region and State Champions.

Athletic teams at Hillcrest include Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Dance Team, Football, Golf, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball, and Wrestling.

CLUBS

Academic Team, Beta Club, Drama Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), Future Farmers of America (FFA), Forensics, Freshman Pride, Hilltopper (Yearbook), Interact Club, Invisible Children's Club, Juniors, National Honor Society, Rampage (Student Newspaper), Robotics Team, Speech & Debate, Solid Rock, Student Council, Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD), Youth Court, and Youth in Government