

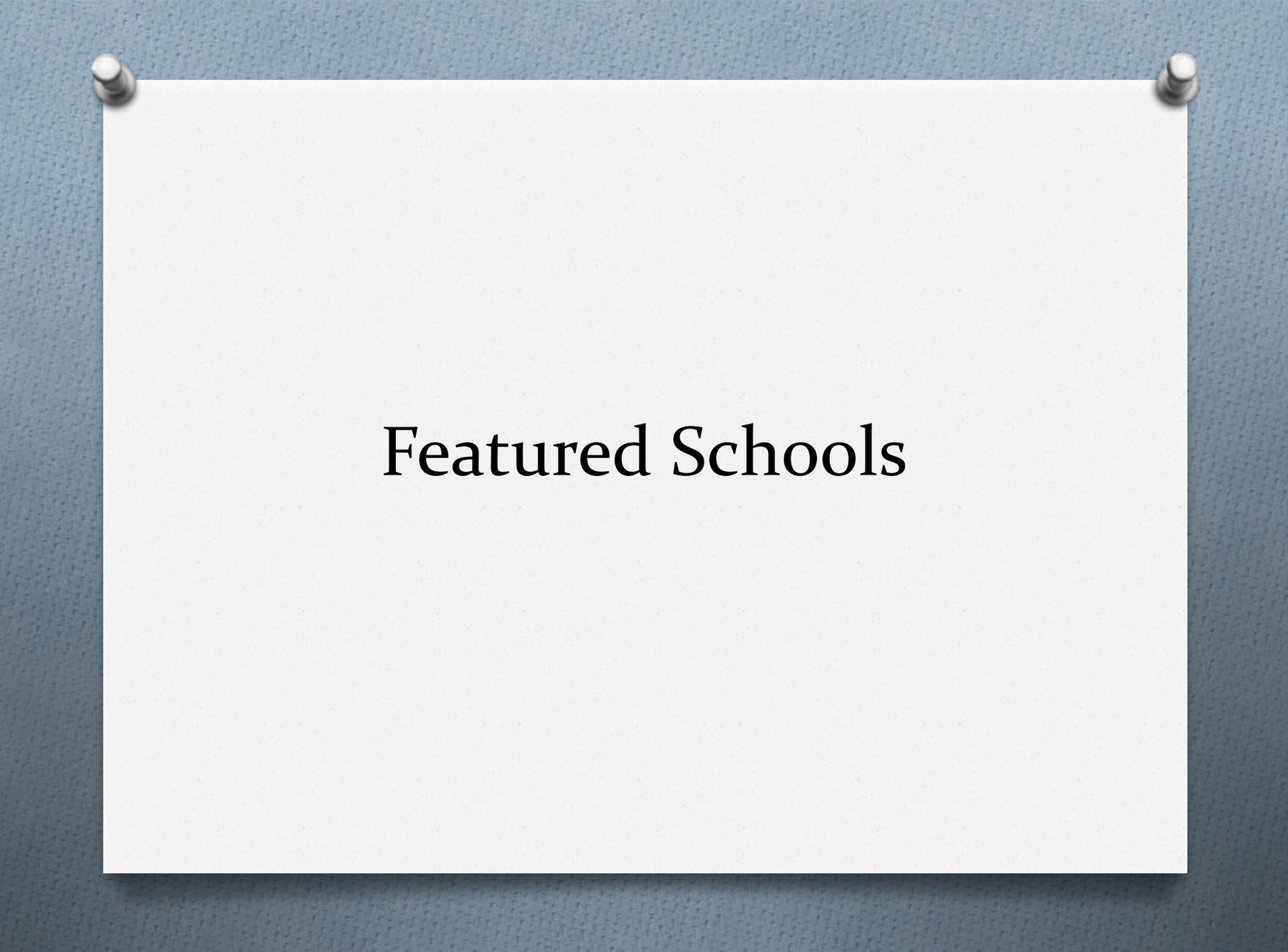
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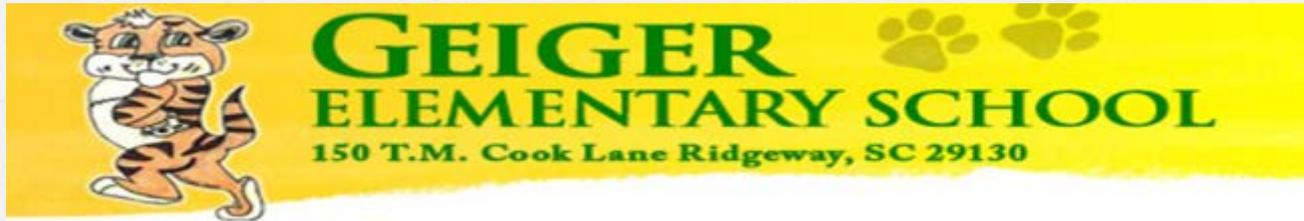
In recognition of Career Development Month

This webinar is designed to showcase the outstanding things taking place across the state of South Carolina in Career Development. Submissions were made from various schools across the state by School Counselors, Career Specialists and Regional Career Specialists.



Featured Schools

Elementary Schools



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College T-Shirt Day

Students are allowed to wear their favorite college t-shirt. (Go a step further and reach out to your local colleges and solicit college-athletes to come speak with your students about the importance of succeeding in the classroom, as well as make classroom visits) . It also served as the kick-off to Geiger's annual canned food drive by seeing which fans had the biggest hearts (USC v. Clemson) by donating the most canned goods.)





College Wall

In order to help students to become college and career ready, a College Wall was created. Letters were mailed to colleges and universities soliciting their help in exposing the students of Geiger Elementary to secondary education by donating a school pennant. The more students see different colleges and universities on display, the more they'll want to explore and learn about them.





GEIGER
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
150 T.M. Cook Lane Ridgeway, SC 29130

Career Spotlight Day

Invitations were extended to parents, community members, businesses, and relatives of employees to come inside the classrooms of Geiger and speak to students about their occupations. An effort is made to select careers from the 16 career clusters and provide a wide spectrum of interest for students in regards to their grade level. (Students stay in their classrooms and the speakers rotate.)



Elementary Schools



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Pine Grove Elementary School

Careers on Wheels

On October 17, 2014 Pine Grove Elementary celebrated Careers On Wheels. Students in grades PreK -2nd grade attended the career fair. Agencies in attendance included Richland County Sheriffs Department who brought their DARE Truck, Dare Car, and Segway. There were also representatives from Midlands Electric Cooperative, Universal Heat and Air, and Richland County EMS.



Middle Schools

The logo for Furman Middle School is centered on a white banner with a purple and black background. The word "FURMAN" is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font, and "Middle School" is written in a smaller, white, italicized serif font below it.

FURMAN
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FURMAN
Middle School

Got Character?

In preparing students to become college and career ready, we must not only focus solely on exposing students to careers, we must also educate them on the many soft skills needed to be successful in the workplace. All of these soft skills are tied to character in some way.

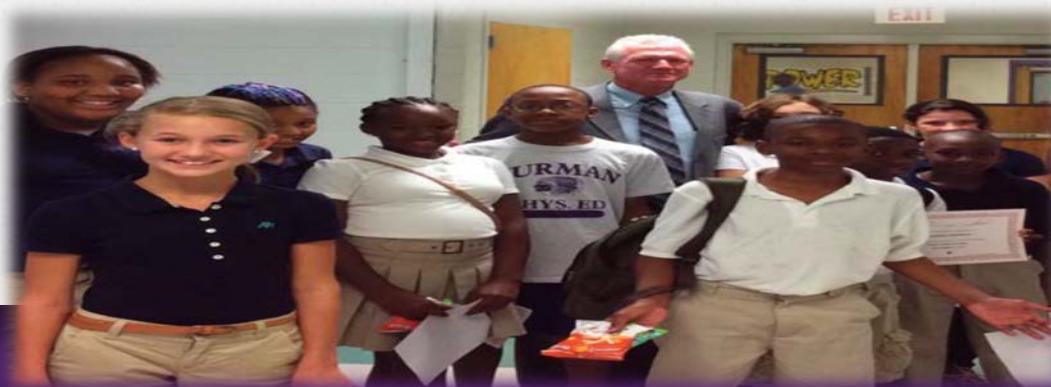
Every other week, teachers email Ms. Robertson the names of students they feel have displayed the character word of the month. Once given the names, they are placed into a drawing for a gift card to various stores. In turn, the students place teachers names into the drawing as well.

FURMAN *Middle School*

Got Character? (continued)

“I believe, if we want our students to display certain character traits, as professionals, we should be doing likewise,” said Robertson. “It's really just a way to help build character, while teaching our students the importance of having good character.”

Pictured below are Superintendent J. Frank Baker of Sumter County Schools and students who were presented with gift cards and certificates for exhibiting exemplary character.



Middle Schools



BEREA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Where hard work pays off

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BEREA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Where hard work pays off

Principal for a Day

Greenville County Schools held its first annual “Principal For A Day” event where each middle school was matched with a business partner from the community. Berea Middle School was matched with the CEO of Property Boss Solutions, Mr. Michael Mino.





BEREA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Where hard work pays off

Berea Middle School welcomes...
Mr. Michael Mino, CEO
Property Boss Solutions

"Principal for a Day"
October 10, 2014

8:00-8:15	Check in with ID, Front Office
8:15-8:30	Greet students
8:30-8:35	View "GROWL News" morning announcements with School Counselors
8:40-9:25	BMS Club Meetings (talk with "Computer Coding Club" and "Books & Beyond Club" about personal "Career Path," 15 min. each)
9:30-10:00	Breakfast drop-in with Administration/ Staff
10:10-10:50	School tour
11:00-11:25	Speak with 6 th grade "Career Education" students about careers related to Marketing/IT/Real Estate
11:50-12:20	"Lunch & Learn" with 8 th grade students interested in the "Marketing, Sales & Service" Career Cluster
12:30-1:00	Speak on Advertising to 7 th grade ELA class in regards to Argumentative Writing & Websites
1:30-1:50	Visit Keyboarding class (7 th graders) to discuss Finance & Marketing
2:00-2:20	Visit "GTT7 Design Model" class and speak about personal "Career Path" and technology related to "Marketing, Sales & Service" cluster
2:30-2:50	Visit 7 th Grade Art class to discuss art and visual design related to "Marketing, Sales & Service cluster" and website design.
2:50-3:10	Downtime with Administration and Office Staff. Time for questions.
3:10-3:45	Assist with student dismissal

Middle Schools



BLYTHEWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

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BLYTHEWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Career Fair with a Twist

Though most schools host career fairs, Lara Schmitz at BMS, decided to add a bit of a flare by adding the CATE programs from feeder high schools to participate. CATE Programs featured this year were:

- o Blythewood High School Health Occupation Students of America Program
- o Westwood High School
 - *Fire Safety Program
 - *Sports Medicine Program
 - *Media Arts and Design Program
 - *Fine Arts Department

(all 8th grade classes rotated through to each presenter)



BLYTHEWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Scenes from Career Fair with a Twist





BLYTHEWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Pre-IGP Expo

This activity is designed for CATE instructors and Career Specialist from Richland District Two high schools to come out to Blythewood Middle School and show 8th graders the programs they have to offer at their respective schools in order to prepare the students for the transition to high school, and heighten their awareness to all the wonderful programs that will be available to them. It also helps students choose their major during the IGP conferences in the spring.

Middle Schools

Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School

An Innovative Approach: Full STEAM Ahead



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Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School

An Innovative Approach: Full STEAM Ahead

Mentor Fair

Fisher MS is the first STEAM-focused school in the state of South Carolina (and one of the first in the country!) Students participated in a Mentor Fair. Students had an opportunity to talk to various local professionals representing some of the various STEAM careers that are available in the 21st Century workforce including

- Peace Center
- McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture
- Fluor
- Michelin

The goal of this event was to line up mentoring dates for the students that will occur quarterly around the end of each nine week grading period. More importantly, this event was to allow students the chance to find mentors in fields that interest them, thus providing a student-driven, engaging experience for each student at Fisher Middle School.

Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School

An Innovative Approach: Full STEAM Ahead

Scenes from Mentor Fair



Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School

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Cycling Event

Greenville hosted the Para-Cycling World Championships on August 28 – Sept 1 at the Clemson University International Center for Automotive Research campus (CU-ICAR). This event offered a unique educational experience for students at the Fisher Middle School, which is located just within walking distance of CU-ICAR. The Greenville Health System partnered with Fisher Middle to offer students a chance to talk with some of the athletes, learn about the engineering of the various bikes used in competition, and even try out a hand-cycle used by world class athletes! The experience this opportunity provided students is both unique and educational, but it is not the only activity that occurred.

Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School

An Innovative Approach: Full STEAM Ahead

Scenes from Cycling Event



Middle Schools



OCEAN BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

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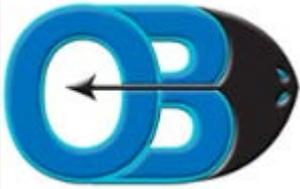
Career and Leadership Speaker Series

In an attempt to grab the attention and interest students in an effort to better prepare them for life after school , and create situations where students are accurately matched with career clusters that they are truly interested in, Don Weaver, CDF has initiated the Career and Leadership Series. Speakers include former students, community leaders and highly recognizable figures that are highly thought of by the community. **Speakers for the 2014-2015 school year have been**

- Congressman Tom Rice
- USA Olympic Team Medalist Manteo Mitchell

Future Speakers include

- Former NASA Shuttle Astronaut Lt.Col Rich Clifford
- Miss Teen Universe
- Tangena Church (Lead Singer with the Carolina Opry



OCEAN BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Careers in Aviation Field Trip

This field trip provided students with an in-depth look into the career field of aviation. It consisted of many different components, some of which are outlined below

- Presentation and tour from Pittsburgh Institution of Aeronautics that provided students with current information on the Academic Certification Programs that are available through PIA locally along with those from Horry-Georgetown Technical College
- A presentation from AvCRAFT on their role in the aviation industry and a tour of their facility which allowed students to look at the planes that were in all stages of repair and restoration
- A tour of Myrtle Beach General Aviation, where students learned about the unique services that are performed through private aviation ; and watched 2 Lear Jets, part of a LIFE-FLIGHT Operation land and receive donated organs from local donors and then immediately turned around and took off to fly to different locations around the country



OCEAN BAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Scenes from Careers in Aviation Field Trip



High Schools



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Fairfield Central High School

Cultivating a College Going Culture

Fairfield Central High is off to a great start this year! As a department, the guidance team wanted to continue to share information about colleges and universities with students. They decided to use the manual provided by CACRAO to highlight a college each day during the morning announcements and on the guidance bulletin board. Included below are scenes around Fairfield Central High!





Fairfield Central High School

More scenes from Cultivating a College Going Culture



High Schools



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DENMARK-OLAR HIGH SCHOOL

College Application Day 2.0

Many schools across the state host College Application Day but Denmark-Olar High School has added a *twist* in order to incorporate students in all grade levels

Seniors: College Application Day 2014

Juniors: Junior Jumpstart

School Wide: Teachers: Our Greatest Allies

Freshman: Clemson Emerging Scholars



DENMARK-OLAR HIGH SCHOOL

College Application Day 2014

This event was held to allow seniors to get a head start on college acceptance by applying to a college(s) on that day. College Admissions Counselors were available to assist students and offer application fee waivers for their respective institutions, if applications were completed on that day. Colleges represented were

- Claflin University
- Denmark Technical College
- Clemson University
- Morris College
- USC Salkehatchie
- College of Charleston University
- South Carolina State University



DENMARK-OLAR HIGH SCHOOL

Scenes from College Application Day 2014





DENMARK-OLAR HIGH SCHOOL

Junior Jumpstart

This event allowed juniors to gain useful information needed for Junior year goal setting. College representatives are asked to form an expert panel and speak to the Junior class about what colleges are looking for and how to prepare for the senior year.

Each College Admissions Representative was given two minutes to provide highlights of their institution.

A CATE Instructor served as the moderator and posed questions to panel members.

Students were provided with information on Financial Aid , career and college information



DENMARK-OLAR HIGH SCHOOL

Scenes from Junior Jumpstart





DENMARK-OLAR HIGH SCHOOL

Teachers: Our Greatest Allies

All faculty and staff were asked to wear college paraphernalia from their alma mater.

In addition, an “Ask Me About It” flyer was posted by each teacher’s door with their name and the name of their college/university.

During each class session on that day, teachers devoted 10 minutes to engage students in a dialogue about their college and college experiences, in general.



DENMARK-OLAR HIGH SCHOOL

Clemson Emerging Scholars

Freshmen were given the opportunity to hear from Amber Lange regarding the Clemson Emerging Scholars Program which helps prepare high school students for higher education starting the summer after their freshman year and continuing throughout their four year high school experience

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