



# What's New at BEHS ?

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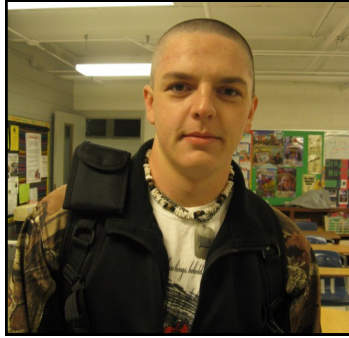
# The Dragon

### Poll

What's your favorite scary movie?

- Bloody Mary – Cameron Bunch
- Saw 5 – Kei'Ontai Millton
- Boo – Rudy Myers
- The Final Destination – Mrs. Gainyard
- House of Wax – Brooke Ulmer
- Scream – Billie Hutto
- The Blob – Mrs. Thomas
- Valentine – Shavantee Tyler
- Glass House – Kevin Pearson
- Jeepers Kreeepers – Nikki Myers
- Nightmare on Elm Street – Latia Tuten
- Scary Movie 3 – Jennive Moore
- I Spit On Your Grave – Kayla Mosser
- Paranormal Activity – Aaron Ayer
- Candy Man – Fatima Banks
- The Wrong Turn – Dayquon Jakes
- Paranormal Activity 2 – Forrest Shuler

# Senior Spotlight



Name: Joshua Lee Wilkerson  
 Birthplace: Selma, AL  
 Birthday: May 16, 1994  
 Strongest Subject: English  
 Fears: Failure, not being accepted  
 Turn-ons: Funny, nice, open, and good personality  
 Turn-offs: Rude and mean  
 Favorite Movie: 300  
 Favorite Food: Salad (no lie)  
 Favorite Song: "Ride Through the Country" by Colt Ford  
 Hobbies/Talents: Hunting, fishing, mud bogging, soccer, and hanging with friends  
 Something No One Knows About You: I am very caring, soft hearted, and trustworthy  
 Parents: Angie Kinard and Denis Wilkerson  
 Siblings: Mandy Gaffney, Andy Wilkerson, Zac Wilkerson, Ella Wilkerson, and Justin Kinard  
 Plans for the future: I'm already in the military, and I plan on attending college, going through ROTC, becoming an officer, attending law school, and becoming a military lawyer  
 Words to Live By: "Don't tell me the sky is the limit, there are footprints on the moon." –Larkin Hiott  
 "It will only hurt 'til it feels better."  
 Best High School Experience: Winning State for Wrestling


  
**Día de los Muertos**
  
 "Day of the Dead"

- It is more than 3,500 years old.
- It is celebrated in Mexico and certain parts of the U.S.
- It honors dead relatives and loved ones.
- Today, people wear skull masks called calacas.
- Sugar skulls are made and eaten by relatives of the deceased.
- Relatives visit graves of loved ones and decorate the gravesite.
- People eat favorites foods of deceased relatives.
- Families build altars in their homes and put candles, pictures, food, and flowers on them.





## Poll

What's your favorite Halloween treat?

- Candy Corn – Zoey Bell
- Kit Kats – Jashia Ransom
- Snickers – DeVondree' Williams
- Rice Crispy Treats – Brianna Ryan
- Twix and Halloween Peeps – Robert Crosby
- Snickers – Austin Jones
- Halloween Reese's and Milk Duds – Bailey Walling
- Peanut M&M's – Dillon Smith
- Snickers – Mrs. Bannister
- Kit Kats – Reshma Patel
- Candy Corn – Coach Williams
- Snickers – Mrs. Robinson
- Eyeballs – Michaelle Campbell
- Peanut M&M's – Mr. Blunt



## Halloween Facts

- Halloween was first called "Samhain."
- Samhain was a Celtic festival still celebrated by pagans and means "summer's end."
- When the Christians were trying to convert the pagans, they moved their All Hallows Day to November 1st, the day after Halloween, in an attempt to squash Samhain festive ties. Therefore, Halloween became All Hallows Eve.
- Initially, turnips were associated with Halloween but were later replaced by pumpkins because they were easier to carve.
- Halloween trick-or-treating comes from the Middle Ages when the poor would go door-to-door on All Hallows Day to ask for food before All Souls Day, November 2nd.

## Senior Spotlight



Name: Shakeesha Ray  
Birthplace: Bamberg, SC  
Birthday: January 13, 1994  
Strongest Subject: Math  
Fears: God and Snakes  
Turn-ons: Nice smile and outgoing personality  
Turn-offs: bad breath  
Favorite Movie: *B.A.P.S.* (Black American Princesses)  
Favorite Food: Fried chicken  
Favorite Song: "Let it Fly" by Maino ft Roscoe Dash  
Hobbies/Talents: Singing and dancing  
Something No One Knows About You: Nothing  
Parents: Teresa Ray and David Smith  
Siblings: Bria and Darius Goodwin  
Plans for the Future: To become a pediatrician  
Words to Live By: "Life is what you make it."  
Best High School Experience: Becoming a Senior

## Bowers' Jersey Retired

On Thursday, October 27, there was a city-wide pep rally celebrating the retirement of former B-E High School Da'Quan Bowers' jersey. During his time at Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School, Bowers led B-E to an 11-7 record in 2007 and had 97 tackles on defense. While he was playing offense, Bowers rushed for 1219 yards and got 19 touchdowns. In 2008, he was ranked the number one overall high school prospect by ESPN.com. Bowers played football for the Clemson Tigers, during that time he received many awards. Some of these awards include 2010 All ACC Football (DE), 2010 ACC Defensive Player of the Year, 2010 All American, 2010 Bronko Nagurski Trophy, and 2010 Ted Hendricks Award.



# Club News

## Student Council

This year's Student Council got a jump start by holding their first ever conference/workshop the week before school started, where they planned numerous events for this school year. So far the four Committees (Broadcasting, Fundraising, Community Service/Connections, and Spirit) have had a car wash, done many half-pot raffles, cleaned up the stands and football field area, put on some news shows, and more. The Student Council has also been planning future events like bake sales, a silent auction, a penny war, a pageant, and other things.

## FCCLA

The Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America Club is a national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders, and address important personal, family, work, and society issues through Family and Consumer Science Education. This organization consists of 10 members who work together to operate the Red Raider Café and Catering Service. The profits from these services go to fund various activities such as participation in FCCLA cluster meetings, National Leadership Conferences, educational trips, competitions, and community service in Bamberg County.

## FBLA

Our FBLA chapter is working diligently to prepare for its first competition in February. Last year they had students place at the district and the state levels. This year, they are hoping to have students place at the national level as well. On Saturday, October 15, the chapter attended a rally in Columbia where schools from all over South Carolina were represented. This annual FBLA State Leadership Rally was held to recruit new members and to emphasize the importance of becoming young productive leaders. State officer Ajadae Williams currently holds the title of State Reporter. FBLA has started a fundraiser, selling Country Meat Sticks. With 12 flavors at only one dollar per stick, the meat sticks are selling quickly.

## Melodies of Heaven

The Melodies of Heaven choir is being continued this school year. Resource officer Corey Bamberg is once again heading up this club, and Kelly Ramsey will be the choir director. The Melodies of Heaven is planning to visit and sing at churches, as well as the nursing home during Christmas. They also are planning to visit Benedict College to help seniors obtain scholarships for choir. The choir has just started back their Thursday practices.

## Junior Leadership

Junior Leadership this year consists of Ashlee Butler, Paris Felder, Shakira Grimes, George McIntosh, Kris Morris, Elsa Thomas, Alexis Toomer, and Sarah Catherine Williams. On Tuesday, September 20, these students attended the Junior Leadership orientation which was held at USC Salkehatchie. At this orientation/conference, they met with other members of Junior Leadership in their region and learned about the *Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens*. They have also visited City Hall and toured both the courthouse and jail.

## FCA

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will be meeting every week on Thursdays. First lunch, the meetings will be in Mrs. Tritapoe's room, and second lunch the meetings will take place in Mrs. Roach's room. The meetings will be about 10 to 15 minutes before the bell rings, and will be headed up by Kelly Ramsey. The first See You at the Pole was on the softball field on Wednesday, September 28. There is also a competition between first and second lunch to see which can have the most people attending the FCA meetings. The winner will have pizza during lunch.

## Rowdy Raiders

This year BEHS has a new club, started by Mrs. Bridget Kinard, called the Rowdy Raiders. Mrs. Kinard said the purpose of her club is to "increase school spirit." They will be supporting every sport over the course of the school year as much as possible. As of right now there are about 10 to 12 students involved in the club. The Rowdy Raiders show their school spirit by dressing up, painting themselves, and cheering as loudly as possible!



## Congratulations!

Jennifer Stanley– Won 2nd place for her art piece in the Orangeburg County Fair

Abigail Blume– Won Grand Champion Showman, Grand Champion Project Record, and Overall Champion in the Senior Division of the 4-H Rabbit Show at the Orangeburg County Fair, also won 1st prize at the Orangeburg Fair for Scrapbooking, and 1st prize for her pottery piece at the Orangeburg Fair and State Fair

Bobby Fralix– Placed 3rd for the individual score in the 4-H Tractor Driving Contest at the Orangeburg County Fair

Brooke Thomas– Won Grand Champion Showman in the 4-H Junior Barrow Show at the Orangeburg County Fair, and was Reserve Grand Champion Showman in the State Barrow Show

David DeLeon– Selected to play in the Shrine Bowl

Player Long– Ranked 1st for 140 weight class for wrestling in the 1A and 2A division

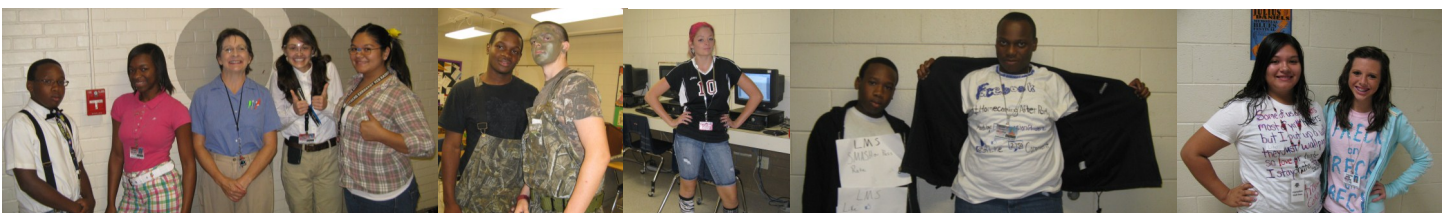
Lane Walling– Ranked 1st for 130 weight class for wrestling in the 1A and 2A division

Mark Moody– Ranked 2nd for 171 weight class for wrestling in the 1A and 2A division

Lan Hiers– Ranked 3rd for 119 weight class for wrestling in the 1A and 2A division

Malcom Jones– Ranked 3rd for 112 weight class for wrestling in the 1A and 2A division

Ryan Brooks– Won the state and district level Law Day Essay Contest in the sophomore division



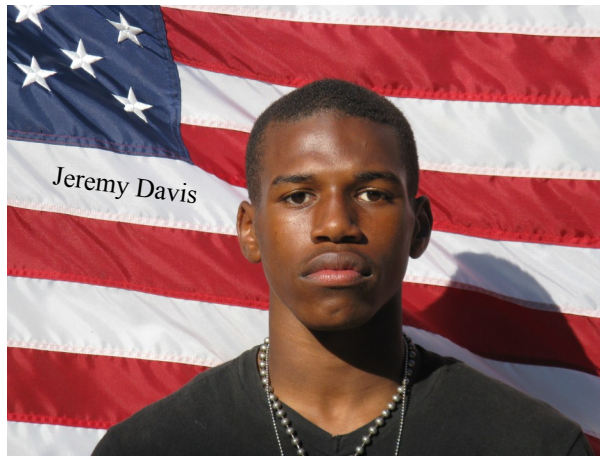
## JROTC Echoes

**Q.** What has been your experience in JROTC academically and physically so far?

**A.** “Academically it helps me get better grades and gives you a better understanding of what I’m doing, and how to do it. Physically it shows me how to stay fit, teaches me how to be organized, and gives me good exercising tips.”

**Q.** What does it mean to wear the uniform?

**A.** “To me wearing the uniform makes you feel like a completely different person. You have to carry yourself in a more respectful way.”



**Q.** Why would you recommend JROTC to other students?

**A.** “I would recommend JROTC to other students because it teaches you discipline, respect, leadership, and teamwork. It teaches you all of that and much more.”

**Q.** What is your goal in life?

**A.** “My goal in life is to graduate high school, and go to college on a full scholarship for football.”

**Q.** What does JROTC mean to you?

**A.** “To me JROTC means leadership, and teaches me how to listen, follow directions, and it also teaches me how to work as a team.”



Cadet 1st Lieutenant Michael Fisher preps the Red Raider Battalion of Cadets for the Homecoming Parade. Cadets listen meticulously to his instructions as they prepare to support their community with pride and honor as they help celebrate the 2011 Homecoming activities.



Red Raider Color Guard Special Team led the Homecoming Parade: at Right Guard is Cadet Private2 Taurean Washington, at Left Guard is Cadet Corporal Joseph Ellison, carrying the Nation’s Colors is Cadet Captain Ashley Brinkley, and carrying the State Colors is Cadet 2nd Lieutenant Johanna Aparecio. The Red Raider Battalion of Cadets follows.

## A Legacy Being Revived

The Raider Regiment has faced much adversity in the past three years, but on the weekend of October 22, this same band reached a great milestone. The Red Raider Regiment regained the qualification to compete in the State Marching Band Championship. In August of 2011, the band started their band camp with very small numbers and not many veteran musicians. The band also started this band season with a new band director. Despite these tribulations the band has found a way to rise to the occasion. The best is yet to come for the Red Raider Regiment Marching Band of Bamberg, South Carolina.

Submitted by Corey Ramsey

# Homecoming



**1st Runner Up**  
**Ashley Walker**



**Homecoming Queen**  
**Kristan Chapman**



**2nd Runner Up**  
**Brianna Sheppard**

### Upcoming Events

- 11/01-12/05 — Toys for Tots
- 11/05 — SAT
- 11/07 — Make-up Pictures for upper-classmen and seniors
- 11/08 — Yearbook Order Forms filled out
- 11/10 — Garnet and Black Program
- 11/22 — Progress Reports sent home
- 11/23-11/27 — Thanksgiving Holiday
- 11/29 — ASVAB
- 12/10 — ACT
- 12/03 — SAT

### The Dragon Staff

- Bonnie Miller-Editor
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