



Annual Measurable Objectives:  
Expected Growth  
Federal Targets:  
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### School Improvement Goals:

- One hundred percent of students will graduate from Cape Hatteras Secondary School of Coastal Studies college and career ready.
- Close the performance gap for certain students in certain subject areas.
- Increase communication and active participation among staff, students, parents and community.
- Ensure a safe and secure school environment.

### 2012-2013 Accomplishment Highlights:

- Eighteen CHSS high school math students participated in the Northeastern Regional Math Competition in Elizabeth City in the Spring of 2013. A Cape Hatteras student won second place overall in the Comprehensive category.
- Second-year Young Naturalists created and presented an Arbor Day workshop at an area preschool incorporating crafts, literacy and education on the importance of natural resource conservation.
- One student served as DECA Coastal Region Vice President from March 2012-2013. This was the first student in Dare County history to hold a state DECA office.
- CHSS DECA received the following distinctions at the North Carolina Career Development Conference in March 2013:
  - Largest percentage membership increase for the Community Service Award
  - Thrive National Award for Membership Increase
  - NC DECA Award for Exceptional Body of Work
  - CHSSCS DECA Adviser Evan Ferguson was awarded the Kenneth W. Smith Award for Professional Dedication
- The Empty Bowls project sponsored by CHSS art teacher fed over 300 people and netted a total of \$3,500 to be donated to the local food pantry.
- Four CHSS Band students participated in the All-District Band.
- A record number of band students was invited to participate in the region's Albemarle Band Clinic, participating in a two-day clinic and performing in a concert.



## Cape Hatteras Secondary School of Coastal Studies

### Principal's Message

Cape Hatteras Secondary School of Coastal Studies is the only secondary school serving students in grades 6-12 in Dare County. Our school offers a unique educational experience for students with a mission to provide a safe, secure, and orderly educational environment that promotes the nurturing and positive motivation of staff and students. Our goal is to offer a challenging curriculum which embraces the unique geographic, economic and cultural heritage of our island community. As a School of Coastal Studies we work closely with parents and the school community to meet the needs of all students by offering innovative educational opportunities based on well-developed goals and standards for success. These programs are guided by the Coastal Studies theme and by our shared vision for increasing and improving rigor, relevance, relationships, respect and responsibility. By offering meaningful extracurricular activities and programs we encourage the development of the whole child.

Ultimately we accept the responsibility of promoting academic excellence, positive values, and pride in our school, our community and our country.

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Total students: 281 EC: 16.3% AIG: 28.4% Class of 2013: 33

