

Pride, Practice, Perfection, and Performance

While most students were still enjoying their summer vacation or completing summer jobs, members of the Walterboro Marching Bulldog Band were hard at work preparing for the upcoming football season. The band members held their first meeting August 10, and worked from three to four hours a day until the opening of school. After school started, these band students could be seen on the practice field until 4:30 or 5:00 o'clock each afternoon preparing for their halftime performances at Walterboro football games.

During the fall, the band performed at eight football games and two "pep" rallies. After football season the "Marching Bulldogs" participated in Christmas parades in Beaufort, Hampton, and Walterboro.

The highlight of the year came on October 24 when the band competed with 36 other high school bands from North and South Carolina at the Southern States Marching Festival, which was held in Camden. The Marching Bulldog Band brought home a trophy for their performance at this event. This was the first trophy won by the Walterboro Band in many years. The band gave another outstanding performance at the South Carolina Marching Band Championships held in Columbia on October 31.

Later in the year, several Walterboro band students were selected to participate in the South Carolina All-State Band Clinic held on January 29 through January 31 at Furman University. The All-State Band is made up of outstanding students from throughout South Carolina.

In the spring, the Walterboro High School Concert Band was formed.



Mr. Richard Johns, director

