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Two Barnwell High Students Selected as State Leaders for SCTSA

Barnwell, S.C. November 5, 2021 – Sarah Modugu, a tenth-grader at Barnwell High School (BHS), will serve as Vice-President and Holly Thomas, an eleventh-grade BHS student, will be the Secretary for the South Carolina Technology Student Association (SCTSA) this school year.

SCTSA is for all students that are interested in STEM. SCTSA chapters prepare students to be successful inventors, designers, creative problem solvers, responsible citizens, and leaders in a technological society. The BHSTSA chapter was established in 2001. This is the first year that Barnwell High School has TSA student members hold office at the state level.

As a state-level officer, Modugu will ensure that the SCTSA maintains a strong membership, a good work program, and are alert to the welfare of the chapter. Thomas will be responsible to see that accurate and proper records are kept of all business and correspondence of this association.



Thomas (L) and Modugu (R) prepare to take their state-level officer positions with South Carolina Technology Student Association

Superintendent Crissie Stapleton said, "We are so proud of Sarah and Holly. It is such an honor to have BHS students serving in these state leadership roles, and I think it speaks to the amazing work our TSA does at the high school. The district thanks Steve Andrews, Ali Godhrawala, and Jason Browning for all the work they do with our TSA students. Both Sarah and Holly are wonderful examples of student leaders who exemplify our district's core values."

SCTSA prepares students for real-life applications of the STEM field, incorporating communication, leadership, teamwork, and competitive skill development into all activities. They strive to foster and nurture the different skills needed to be successful leaders in a technological society. All students are presented leadership opportunities through the officer positions, competitions, and in the class activities with the chapters.