



Beech Springs Intermediate School
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“A lighthouse of learning and leadership”

Beech Springs continues to help all students develop world-class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by implementing the South Carolina standards in English/language arts, math, science, and social studies. These standards are entrenched with opportunities for students to be critical thinkers, problem-solvers, investigators, leaders of technology, and learners of how to work collaboratively with their peers. While this year has been like no other due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we continue to strive for the Vision of Beech Springs Intermediate School to provide opportunities for students to reach their maximum potential in an engaging, creative and nurturing learning environment.

Our school has continued to maintain our Title I status. Because of the additional amount of funds that Title I has given us, we are able to maintain teaching and student support positions. These funds have allowed us to have smaller class sizes and to give teachers an opportunity to better individualize and differentiate instruction for all students. We are continuing to provide additional high-interest reading materials to classroom libraries, as well as additional reading instructional materials for our teachers. Mathematics teachers have continued to receive professional development strategies to support student learning through the Guided Math Model.

Even with the pandemic, students are gaining experiences in addition to academics through a variety of performing arts programs. Our students' artwork is on display at our district's Fine Arts Center throughout the year. Our students also showcase their newly learned skills in Band and Orchestra through performances at our Fine Arts Center.

Leadership opportunities are plentiful for our students. Students are able to participate in Student Council, Creations Art Club, and the Morning News Show. Teachers also give students an opportunity to earn leadership roles in the classrooms. Students support our community by participating in a collection of toiletries for our local community center, fundraising for Relay for Life, and partnering with local law enforcement agencies to provide care packages for our homeless community. In addition, our school implemented two programs this year to provide character building and structured activities for our students, including Girls on the Run and Fire Pit Ranch.

The School Improvement Council, SIC, is a committee of elected and appointed parents, teachers, and community members who set goals and devise strategies to improve the school. The Council meets monthly to discuss school and community concerns and to make recommendations to the principal. This year, the council was instrumental in recognizing and developing partnerships that enrich the student experience at Beech Springs Intermediate School.

2020-2021 School Improvement Council (SIC) Members:
Timothy Smith-Chairperson, Michelle Hogue-Secretary, Ashley Chapman, Heidi Beers, Kyle Cantrell,
Bethany Hill, Jackie Mathis
Ex-Officio: Taylor Deal, Carla Tucker and Dione Morris



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