

# Woodland Heights Elementary School

Annual School Improvement Council Report to the Community

2022-2023

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## SIC Members

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Julie Brown - ex-officio

**Mission Statement:** The mission of Woodland Heights Elementary School, in active partnership with the community, is to provide each student with the highest quality education, which is conducive to social, physical, and intellectual growth, by providing meaningful educational experiences, a challenging curriculum, and a safe environment.

## **Purpose of the Report**

This report is issued by Woodland Heights Elementary School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina Law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

## SIC Annual Goals from the 2022-2023 School Year

### **Goal 1: Increase parental involvement and communication between parents and the school**

Several forms of communication are already in place for our parents. These include teacher newsletters each week, Friday folders, teacher webpages, school webpage, PowerSchool, Class Dojo, phone calls, and emails. Julie Brown, principal of WHES, has also established communication through biannual newsletters to parents, all call phone calls and emails through PowerSchool, and Facebook posts to keep parents informed and up to date on events taking place at the school. As we continue to use all the forms of communication above, we also strive to increase parent involvement in our Parent Teacher Organization and School Improvement Council.

### **Goal 2: Maintain a healthy and safe school**

The community at large believes that providing a safe school and teaching students about healthy lifestyle helps children learn. We encourage our students to make healthy life choices through programs within our school such as, the meal program, our physical education classes, our dance classes, our Farm-to-School initiative, and our continuation with the Mary Black Wellness Grant.

**Goal 3: Provide families with opportunities to engage within the school environment**

We have been thrilled as the year has progressed to offer even more events for our students, parents, and families. Everyone has been grateful to get back into the building and see the wonderful things taking place at Woodland Heights. We conducted beginning of the year conferences with all parents, most face-to-face, and we are now in the process of conducting end of the year conferences with all parents as well. We help our first Color Run this year and were very pleased with the overwhelming positive response we received. As an Arts in Basic Curriculum school, we are proud to say we have been able to continue our grade level performances where families have been able to come in and see all the great things their children are learning. Additionally, we hosted a Fine Arts Share Night in order to showcase all the wonderful things our students have been learning in their arts classes here at our ABC school. We are always open to suggestions and ideas for ways to provide our families with opportunities to engage within the school environment.

**WHES at a Glance**

- 431 Students
- 4 Self-Contained Special Education Classes
- Title I School
- Arts in Basic Curriculum Site
- Distinguished Arts Program
- Kennedy Center Partnership
- Healthy Initiative School
- Universal Breakfast and Lunch

**Student Growth and Achievement**  
**2022-2023 iReady Scores**

	iReady Reading		iReady Math	
	BOY on/above grade level	EOY on/above grade level	BOY on/above grade level	EOY on/above grade level
K5	18%	84%	5%	67%
1 <sup>st</sup>	16%	63%	5%	56%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	15%	49%	6%	37%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	30%	47%	10%	29%
4 <sup>th</sup>	16%	35%	11%	45%
5 <sup>th</sup>	13%	31%	15%	35%

**Innovative Practices and Programs**

- Family Learning Fun Nights
- Summer Reading Camp
- After School Advantage Program
- Parenting Programs
- Interventionists/Tutors/Assistants
- 100% Parent Conferences
- PTO/SIC/Business Partners
- Early Bird Gym/Fitness Club
- First Tee Golf/Character Program
- CATCH Health Curriculum
- Monthly MTSS Data Meetings
- HERO Helpers
- OLWEUS (anti-bullying)
- Literacy Coach/monthly PLC's
- Super Citizens
- Terrific Kids
- Arts PD
- CCFAC Performances
- CCFAC Partner
- Kennedy Arts Center
- Team Challenges