

CHESTNUT OAKS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Report to Public

SIC Annual Goals

One of our continuous goals is to keep our parents and community informed. The purpose of this report is to share with parents and community members the school's achievements and student academic progress.

Chestnut Oaks Middle School SIC annual goals focus on three areas: student achievement, college and career readiness and school climate. The three goals from these areas are addressed below.

Goal 1: By June 2026, reduce the number of major discipline referrals (Categories II and III) by at least 10%, as measured against 2023–2024 and 2024–2025 data trends, through intentional relationship-building and the continued development of a positive school culture and climate both within and beyond the school building.

Goal 2: By June 2026, Chestnut Oaks Middle School will increase the percentage of students scoring proficient or higher on the SCREADY ELA assessment from 32% to 38% by implementing differentiated reading and writing strategies, increasing text complexity, and providing targeted small-group instruction.

Goal 3: By June 2026, Chestnut Oaks Middle School will increase the percentage of students scoring proficient or higher on the SCREADY Math assessment from the current 5.7% to at least 12%, by implementing targeted instructional strategies that increase rigor, relevance, and student engagement in daily lessons.

Mrs. Jenaii D. Edwards, Principal

Mrs. Margaret Johnson, School Improvement Council Chair

Beliefs

- * Students are our first priority.
- * We have high expectations for all students and all students can learn.
- * Our school has a safe, secure, environment conducive to learning.
- * We are a learning community.
- * We work hard, persevere, and succeed.

Chestnut Oaks Middle School

Principal.....Mrs. Jenaii D. Edwards
Assistant Principal.....Ms. Floydean Palmer-McLeod
School Counselors.....Ms. LaWhan Jordan
Ms. Breanna Grant
Instructional Coach.....Mrs. Andrea Mattress
Media Specialist.....Mrs. Brenetta Jefferson
Career Specialist.....Ms. Marie Grady
SIC Chairperson.....Mrs. Margaret Johnson

School Improvement Council

Principal.....Mrs. Jenaii D. Edwards
Assistant Principal.....Ms. Floydean Palmer-McLeod
SIC Chair/ParentMrs. Margaret Johnson
School Counselors.....Mrs. Lawhan Jordan
Ms. Breanna Grant
Teacher.....Mr. James Dixon
Mrs. Tampla Hearrell
ParentMs. Felisha Moore
SIC Members.....Mr. Mariel Wise
Ms. Virdeena Dawkins
Ms. Wygelia Palmer

Purpose of the Report “This Report is issued by Chestnut Oaks Middle School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.”

2025-2026

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Annual Report to Parents

Mission Statement

The mission of Chestnut Oaks Middle School is to deliver a comprehensive, rigorous standards-based education utilizing best practices in order to prepare students for an ever changing, global society as well as meet the diverse needs of the students, community, and society.

Vision Statement

The vision for Chestnut Oaks Middle School is for all stakeholders to be committed to developing the whole child by providing a nurturing, safe, and welcoming environment that fosters a rigorous academic and CATE curriculum that will prepare students to become productive citizens and future leaders.

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Community Outreach

- ◇ American Cancer Society
- ◇ Canned Food Drive
- ◇ Heart Association
- ◇ Relay for Life
- ◇ Salvation Army Bell Ringing



Field Experience to the Sumter County Sheriffs Office

Community Partners

High Rollers Motorcycle Club/Bethesda/
Shaw Air Force Base/Sumter County
Concerned Clergy/Sumter Mental
Health/Sumter Behavioral Health Ser-
vices/Sumter Retired Teachers Associa-
tion / McDonalds/ Greenleaf Lawncare &
More, LLC/ Grace Cathedral/Smokefree
SC/Christ Community Church /Grace
Cathedral Ministries/Love Covenant

Accomplishments/Student Engagement

House Systems/ Black History Program / Ca-
reer Fair/ College Tours / FBLA Competition
Winners / Winter Concert/Spring Concert /
School Choice Week / Red Ribbon Week /
Chamber Forum / Manufacturing Expo/STEM
Challenge / Excellent Rating- Chorus @
Carowinds /



Family Engagement

Academic Showcase Celebrations /Eighth Grade Promo-
tion Celebration/STEAM Night/ Winter Concert/Spring
Concert /6th/7th/8th grade Parent Nights/ Music Night/
Title I Fall and Spring Family Engagement Meetings/ Drug
Awareness/Commonsense Media/ Data Conferences/
Family Game Night/Multilingual Night/Field Day/Literacy
Night/Testing Strategies/ Parenting in a Digital Age/ Multi-
cultural Night

Programs

- ◇ 9/11
- ◇ Black History Month
- ◇ Art/Drawing Contest
- ◇ PSAT Testing
- ◇ Reach
- ◇ Semester- Band/
Chorus Showcases
- ◇ Military Kids Recognition
- ◇ Falcon Houses
- ◇ Parent University



Multicultural Night

MOTTO

Seek Excellence.
Opt to Use Manners.
Activate Listening and Learning Skills.
Respect Self and Others.

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