

Denmark-Olar High School SIC Report to the People 2014-2015



Major Goals for the Year

- Support student academic success.
- Support student retention and increase enrollment.
- Increase the graduation rate.
- Increase parental involvement in student learning.
- Ensure that each Denmark-Olar High School graduate is prepared for success in higher education, vocational education, or a career.
- Assess and promote better health and wellness for students, faculty, and staff.
- Improve student, faculty, and staff morale.



Lap Top Check Out Parents of Denmark-Olar High School students can now check out a laptop computer for the student to use at home or at school. To check out the laptop parents should contact the school office for more information on requirements. The laptop program was funded by a South Carolina Department of Education School Improvement Grant.

Strategies for Achieving Goals

- Increase communication between school and the community through newsletters, news articles, and an active SIC.
- Improve parents' awareness of the pathways leading to promotion, graduation and student success.
- Support Career Day, job shadowing, and other programs that prepare students for careers and opportunities in higher education.
- Provide opportunities for teachers, students, and parents to engage in two-way communication.
- Participate in the Advanc-ED self-study and improvement process.
- Implement the Healthy Schools Program

2014-2015 SIC Members

Chairperson: Tonja Davis Vice Chairperson: Deanna Berry Secretary: Myrtis Williams Eartha Atterberry, Community Member Latasha Rivers, Community Member Francesea Williams, Student Tiatra Davis, Student Anna Martin, Teacher Sandra Moody, Teacher Jennifer Sanders, Teacher Dorothy Lawton, Parent Brenda Kemper, School Nurse Brenda Hughes, Guidance Counselor Mickey Pringle, Principal



For the second year in a row, the Center for Rural Education has donated lap tops. to the top 5 male and to 5 female sophomores. The consortium of Denmark-Olar alumni plans to make the dontation an annual event.

Healthy Schools

This year your School Improvement Council, guided by our school nurse, Mrs. Brenda Kemper, joined the Healthy School Initiative to focus on improving the health of students, faculty, and staff. We know that students who are in poor health are more likely to experience academic problems. This year's accomplishments include:

- Vision and hearing screening by the South Carolina Lions.
- Completion of a vegetable garden by the Agriculture classes.
- Presentation on the importance of a healthy diet to the South Carolina Edcation Board by student Moses Washington..

• Completion of a stress-free zone for teachers.

District Accreditation

Your School Improvement Council represents parents, students, faculty, and the community. Our purpose is to work together to improve our school. This year we are working with the district to achieve District-level accreditation through Advanc-ED, the agency which monitors the quality of educational institutions. We will be calling on parents to join in this effort to help our schools engage in continuous improvement. Parents are asked to complete an on-line survey, and join in our strategic planning effort. For information about the survey, contact Dr. Anna Martin at 803-793-3307.



Our Sponsors

The Denmark-Olar High School School Improvement Council represents students, parents, teachers, and community members who are part of the school community. We meet each month in the high school library. The meetings are open to all, and parents are encouraged to attend.