

Message from the School Improvement Council

Hickory Grove Sharon Elementary is committed to providing a safe and secure learning environment, demonstrates student growth each year through state testing, and increases teacher development through leadership opportunities.

According to our current school climate and safety survey, only 75% of teachers and staff understood safety and procedure results in the areas of drills (such as lockdown, shelter in place, and evacuations) and participated in professional development that supported their personal/professional learning goals. Also, 88% of our students felt supported and satisfied with our physical/social environment while the majority of students (93%) are satisfied with the learning environment.

Student achievement is a top priority amongst the administrators and faculty at HGS. Our baseline scores for SC READY in Math range from the 34%-61% in grades third-sixth. Goals each year are to increase percentile averages by tenths or increments of one.

While our students are making and achieving goals, our teachers are achieving personal and professional goals as well! Teachers and administrators are working to increase their knowledge and certifications through professional development, meeting R2S endorsements/requirements, and invest in and retain our great teaching staff! Only 30% of our teachers are gifted and talented certified and 40% have met criteria for the Read to Succeed law. We do take pride in our teaching staff that 90% return each year.

Hickory Grove Sharon Elementary is committed to our Strategic Plan and Literacy Plan to strengthen our teachers' and students' capacity in growth and achievement. We strive to align the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate and the York School District One's plan which outlines multiple pathways for students to reach College, Career, and Citizenship Readiness.

Together in Education,

HGSE School Improvement Council

Members: Tiffany Farley, Chair, Mary Ashley Gilfillan, Stacey Holden, Kim Howe, Melissa Lineberger, Johnny



"Knowledge is our Super Power"

At Hickory Grove-Sharon,
we want every student to be SUPER!

**Smart, Understanding, Polite,
Encouraging, and Respectful.**

School Information

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Grades: Pre-K through Grade Six
Mascot: "Bobby the Bobcat"

***Sparking Potential,
Inspiring Success***



Report to the People

2017-2018

REBECCA DOVER, PRINCIPAL

ASHLEY YON, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

HGSE Mission and Beliefs

Our Vision

Building the foundation for tomorrow by sparking potential and inspiring success.

Our Mission

Working with the community, we will provide a diverse, innovative education in a safe environment enabling students to become responsible citizens in a global society.

Our Beliefs

- * Learning is a life-long, ever-changing process.
- * Each child is unique and should have the opportunity to reach his/her full potential.
- * A safe, orderly and nurturing environment is essential for learning.
- * Education is a cooperative effort between schools and the community.
- * Technology enhances teaching and learning and should be current.

2017-2018 Data in Review

SC PASS 2016

Below are the percentages of students scoring Met or Exemplary:

	Science	Social Studies
4th	39%	74%
5th	31%	51%
6th	43%	77%

SC Ready 2016– all assessments taken online

Below are the percentages of students scoring Approaches, Meets, and/or Exceeds Expectations:

	Reading	Math
3rd	60%	79%
4th	59%	84%
5th	64%	85%
6th	83%	83%

Highlights of 2017-2018:

- * HGSE continued our “Character Counts” to promote good character in students. Through this program, we were able to recognize 204 students.



- * Our school showcased student leaders from third through sixth grades through the implementation of a student ambassador program. “Bobcat Ambassadors” welcomed visitors into our school during special events.



- * HGSE established the first bucket drumming group and performed in the school’s annual talent show.
- * We participated in two major service learning projects; Relay for Life and Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

- * HGSE continues the partnership with Winthrop to mentor and host future educators.

- * We hosted our second annual HGSE Career day and fun run! Our community partners came to share their careers with our students and we ended the day with a fun run, The Bobcat Bolt!



- * Our “Palmetto Reading Bowl” Pep Rally featured students playing “Teachers versus Students” game with the Clemson Tiger mascot! This was an incentive for reaching the school-wide reading goal.

- * We hosted our annual Veteran’s Day Program and provided a breakfast and musical presentation to honor Veterans.

