

Message from the School Improvement Council

Hickory Grove Sharon Elementary School kicked off the school year with a powerful slogan, "Knowledge is our Super Power!" One of our main goals here at HGSE is to make decisions that are aligned with our vision, mission, and beliefs. Our decision making process involves stakeholders including School Improvement Counsel, PTO, teachers, staff, parents, and community members. Our ongoing collaboration ensures that we stay focused on our children making positive decisions and student achievement. We strive for our students at HGS to develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the SC Graduate! This report highlights a few of the wonderful opportunities that we offer here at HGS. Our teachers and students certainly have demonstrated our slogan "Knowledge is our Super Power!"

Together in Education,

HGSE School Improvement Council

Members: Tiffany Farley, Chair, Mary Ashley Gilfillan, Stacey Holden, Kim Howe, Melissa Lineberger, Johnny Doan, Larry Earl, Dale Smarr, Rebecca Dover, Ashley Yon



"Knowledge is our Super Power"

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

Smart, Understanding, Polite,
Encouraging, and Respectful.

School Information

Name: Hickory Grove-Sharon Elementary
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Grades: Pre-K through Grade Six
Mascot: "Bobby the Bobcat"

***Sparking Potential,
Inspiring Success***



Report to the People

2016-2017

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.

2015-2016 Data in Review

SC PASS 2015

Below are the percentages of students scoring Met or Exemplary:

	Science	Social Studies
4th	70%	81%
5th	68%	68%
6th	54%	86%

SC Ready 2015– all assessments taken online

Below are the percentages of students scoring Ready, Exceeding, and/or approaching:

	Reading	Math
3rd	68%	60%
4th	72%	84%
5th	78%	52%
6th	92%	85%

Highlights of 2016-2017:

- * We implemented “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 kicked off the school-wide mathematics incentive program entitled “March Madness.” The ceilings were adorned with links to represent students’ mastery with grade appropriate math facts.
- * We participated in two major service learning projects; Relay for Life and Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

- * HGSE was recently accredited with AdvancED in fall of 2016.
- * HGSE partners with Winthrop NETSCOPE and mentors and hosts future educators.
- * We hosted our first annual HGSE Community Day and fun run! The community came to the school in support of a career fair, motor show, old timey day,



and ended the day with a fun run, The Bobcat Bolt!



- * Our “Palmetto Reading Bowl” Pep Rally featured students playing “minute to win it games” 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.

