

STUDENT SUPPORT

Sullivan partnered with an outside educational organization to write and receive a \$520,000 grant to provide a free after school and summer program. This will provide continuous academic support for our students.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings from the Nest! We have had another wonderful year at Sullivan. In our quest towards excellence, we achieved many great things this year. We are proud to serve the students, faculty, staff, parents and greater community of Sullivan Middle School!

You will see many of our accomplishments from this year in this annual report. Of course, there are many, many more and this space will not allow a comprehensive list. Our students are excelling and achieving in so many ways.

We look forward to the upcoming school year with great excitement and enthusiasm. As we continue on our quest for educational excellence, we invite you to become involved in our school. Please take a moment to check out our school website for many opportunities to stay informed and get involved. We look forward to working with you next year!

School Improvement Council

Katrina Wilkerson, Debra Dahlin, Chairs

**Parent Teacher Organization
Courtney Bala**

SCHOOL OF CHOICE

Sullivan is a district school of choice. Any student residing in the Rock Hill school district attendance zone can choose to attend Sullivan.

We are proud to offer the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme. Students are exposed to a rigorous curriculum with a focus on three fundamental concepts:

- intercultural awareness
- holistic learning
- communication

More information on the program can be found on our website or by calling our IB coordinator at 803-981-1450.

PALMETTO SILVER WINNER

Sullivan has been awarded the Palmetto Silver award the last two school years. We are proud of this accomplishment and look forward to many more.

TEACHERS AND STAFF

16 National Board Teachers

Instructional Coach – South Carolina Writing Improvement Coordinating Council, IB workshop leader and site visitor

National Board Portfolio Scorer

Choral Director was elected South Carolina Music Educators Association Choral Division Secretary

Principal serves on the Executive Committee of SCASA and SCMSA

W. C. SULLIVAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

AN “A” RATED AND OFFICIAL
I.B. WORLD SCHOOL



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SELECTED ACCOLADES

Palmetto Silver Award Winner

“A” (97.4%) Federal Rating, which is defined as “Substantially Exceeding State Expectations”

“Good” absolute and growth ratings from the State Department of Education

District Champion 6th and 8th Academic Challenge Team

Received over \$550,000 in grants for various programs

Band, Chorus and Orchestra received excellent/superior ratings in numerous competitions

12 students earned State level recognition as Duke Tip Qualifiers and 2 were nationally recognized

5 students qualified for the State level National History Day competition

30 students competed in the State Biology Merit Exam at Clemson University

Added several new courses including Mandarin Chinese and Media Literacy. Astronomy and Computer Science/Coding will be added next year

Our student run news program (FNN) is live streamed on the internet each day

Named Constant Contact “All-Star” for being an “industry leader” in stakeholder communication

CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS

Sullivan offers clubs and organizations for a variety of student interests. Students may join Yearbook, Pro Team, Math Counts, Academic Team, Green Team (Recycling), Newspaper, Junior Civitans, Falcon Zone, Global Leaders, Chess Club, Worn Words Bookstore, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Beta Club, Girls on Track, and Student Library Advisory Group among many others. We have a wide variety of sports, both intramural and interscholastic, such as volleyball, wrestling, step team, basketball, soccer, softball, tennis, disc golf, and football.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

SMS uses data to focus improvement efforts.

We increased student participation in school organizations by over 15 percent this school year.

Several business partnerships created in our local community.

We developed and implemented a school wide literacy plan across all content areas.

Several instructional strategies implemented to increase student achievement.

RESULTS ORIENTED

Our students and school continue to excel. While test results are not the only factor of achievement, Sullivan is high achieving in this area.

We received an “A” rating for our federal accountability rating! In fact, it was a 97.4% which was the highest grade for any middle school in York County.

According to our MAP scores, our students grew more this school year than last year. This is significant given our academic successes last year!

We were selected as a Winthrop University partnership school for the 2012-2013 school year.

COMMUNICATION

We have worked hard to increase the avenues of communication with our parents and community. You can find Sullivan on facebook and twitter. We also publish a Falcon News blog that shares a wealth of Sullivan related information. Check out our web presence!

