

## Outstanding Features and Programs

- International Baccalaureate Program
- Targeted Academy Classes to Address Students' Academic Needs and Interests
- Spanish Language Program
- Mandarin Language Program
- French Language Program
- School-wide Enrichment Program (Falcon Fridays)
- Student Council
- Student Ambassador Program
- School-wide Reading Program
- Hands-on Community Projects
- Guidance Program and Parent Workshops
- In-depth Global Studies Program for all students
- Award winning band, chorus, strings, and art programs
- Outstanding Athletics Program
- Creative Fitness Programs
- PTO events
- SIC Service Opportunities
- Day of Coding Participant School
- Knowledge Park Entrepreneur Competition Participating School
- Innovative Instructional Strategies That Prepare Students for Success

Sullivan Middle School has earned the distinction of being a "Professional Development School" in partnership with Winthrop University. The 2015-2016 school year marked the beginning of this new partnership level.

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### Purpose of the Report

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

## Sullivan Middle School



## Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2015-2016

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### Mission

Our mission is to prepare today's learners to be tomorrow's leaders.

## **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 (MYP). 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.

## **Student Achievement**

The Absolute Rating on our last State report card (2014-2015) was “Average” and we had an “Average” growth rating. No state report card rating was provided to any SC school for this year.

*For more information on our school's performance, you may view Sullivan's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov).*

## **Additional Information**

Sullivan Middle School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically

challenging learning environment. We provide such an environment through the implementation of our school vision: “Learning Today and Leading Tomorrow.” We demonstrate this vision by challenging our students with rigorous academic work through participation in the IB Middle Years Program and through carefully crafted professional development opportunities for our teachers.

Sullivan Middle School teachers are always seeking to learn new and effective strategies to use in the classroom such as: Approaches to Learning Skills for Students, Student Practice Labs for Deeper Understanding, Curriculum Mapping, Science Inquiry, Facilitated Reading and Writing Skills, STEM Programs, and three World Language Offerings.

At Sullivan Middle School, we have various programs outside the academic curriculum to focus on the development of the whole child. We believe it is important that our students learn what it means to be a leader and that learning these skills will help to ensure both their success in life and the success of our collective future.

We continue to demonstrate excellence in the arts with our music department earning several awards for superior performance and our arts programs being featured in many ways throughout the community. Our athletic programs also excelled and we built new partnerships in the

community to assist our students with community service, personal fitness, and the formation of lifelong healthy habits.

Sullivan staff and students participated together with the Salvation Army Canned Food Drive to provide food for hungry families, created a partnership with a school in Timmonsville, South Carolina around the theme of “Art and Hope” and read “A Long Walk to Water,” a story about water availability and quality in Sudan to begin work on a global water project. These activities have created engagement in both the local and global community and help our students discover their place in the world as a global citizen.

Thank you for all of your support in helping in the development of our future South Carolina graduates and world leaders!

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