

What is a School Improvement Council?

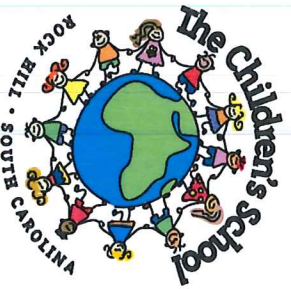
The School Improvement Council (SIC) serves as an advisory committee to the school's principal and faculty. SIC plays a key role in the education of our state's children, bringing together parents, educators, and community stakeholders to work collectively to improve student achievement.

What Are Our Current School Goals?

- Nurturing environment—The staff will work to build a school community that fosters respect, high expectations, and positive behaviors/communications.
- Quality Work—The staff will work to increase student achievement and close the achievement gap.
- Shared Vision & Beliefs—The staff will work to develop an increased commitment to Montessori beliefs and traditions

How Are We Achieving Our Goals?

These goals are reviewed monthly by the school leadership team, faculty and administration to assess progress toward achievement and determine ongoing strategies for successful achievement.



Additional Steps to Success

- Measurement Olympics
- Character Words of the Month
- Rock Hill Fire Department
- Rock Hill Police Department Mentorships
- Parent Volunteers
- iPad Parent Training Sessions
- Monthly Spirit Nights for Families
- Parent Chats
- Test Taking Strategies
- Early Childhood Readiness
- Extended Field Trip Experiences (Charleston, Kayaking, Camp Thunderbird)
- Science Week
- Career Fair
- Special Olympics

Student Leadership Opportunities,

Activities and Recognitions

- Student Council
- Elementary Vocabulary & Science Bowl
- Elementary Battle of the Books
- Safety Patrol/Flag Bearers
- "Back the Pack" volunteers
- Recycling Club
- Community Service Projects
- Early Childhood Gardening
- Elementary Honors Choir
- York Soil & Conservation District Poster Contest
- York County Arts Council Banner Projects
- Guys READ lunch time book club
- Drug Awareness Poster Contest
- Arbor Day Celebration
- International Peace Day
- Celebration of Stories (CBL Project)
- Class Buddies
- Dear Soldier
- Light the Night Campaign

TCS—South Carolina State Testing PASS Scores for Spring 2013 Percent Met or Exceeds

	ELA	MATH	SCI	Soc. St.	Writing
Gr. 3	85.2	79.6	75	100	75.5
Gr. 4	77.6	77.6	72.4	82.8	70.7
Gr. 5	82.2	66.7	69.6	77.3	72.7

Our School's Achievements

*Palmetto's Finest Top 20
Elementary Level
2010-2011*

*Palmetto Gold Award Winner
In the area of General Performance
2009 ~2011 ~2012*

*2013 Keep America Beautiful
Recycle Bowl State Award*



Our Mission

The mission of The Children's School is to provide both creative and stimulating intellectual, artistic, and developmental experiences for each student. We strive to cultivate each child's natural desire to learn and to foster his/her natural curiosity and love of knowledge.

TCS Facts

Enrollment
365 students

Early Childhood

3 year olds, Pre-K 4 & Kindergarten *Multi-age*

Lower Elementary

1st & 2nd grade *Multi-age*

3rd grade

Upper Elementary

4th & 5th grade *Multi-age*

Tuition/Learning Fee

Three and four year old children must pay tuition and a learning fee, as they are not funded at the state or local level. Our three year old program is half day. Four year old children come for a full day. Information regarding tuition can be obtained by calling the school office.

2013-2014 School Improvement Council (SIC)

J. Edwards, *Chair (2012-2014)*
R. Boyd, *Parent (2013-2015)*
R. Hart, *Faculty (2012-2014)*
D. White, *Parent (2013-2015)*
D. Allen, *Faculty (2013-2015)*
S. Brown, *Parent (2013-2015)*
M. Staffleno, *Parent (2012-2014)*
T. Sumter, *Parent (2012-2014)*
S. Simpson, *Parent (2013-2015)*
E. Schröder, *Parent (2013-2015)*
R. Murphy, *Community Member/Parent*
B. Hammond, *Faculty*
J. Jones, *Ex. Officio*

2013-2014 Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Officers

Hope Craig,
President
Cherie Barton,
Vice President
Krista Miller,
Treasurer
Marty Stutts,
Secretary

Teacher Liaison:
Laura Ashe

Administrative Liaison:
Jacqueline Jones

Purpose of the Report

This report is issued by The Children's School at Sylvia Circle's 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.



The Children's School at Sylvia Circle

A Public Montessori School of Choice for
Rock Hill School District 3

2013-2014 Annual Report to Parents

*"Peace is what every human being is craving for,
and it can be brought about by humanity through
the child"*

~*Maria Montessori*

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