

# South Pointe High School

### Principal, Dr. Valarie Williams

#### School Leadership Team

Mr. Derek Shoup—Assistant Principal
Mr. Kendrick Cherry- Assistant Principal
Mrs. Kay Runyans—Assistant Principal
Ms. Kenisha Rivers-Williams—Assistant Principal
Mr. Richard Pickering- Dean of Students
Mrs. Sonya Williams—Director of School Counseling
Dr. Laura Kick—Testing Coordinator
Dr. David Consalvi—STEAM Coordinator
Mr. Ethan Wallace—English & Social Studies Coordinator
Mr. Chris Howle—Math & Science Coordinator
Mrs. Laura Hall—Advance Studies Coordinator

#### **Mission Statement**

Provide every South Pointe High School student with high quality academic and extracurricular learning opportunities in a safe and nurturing learning environment that will lead to a college, military, or career choice filled with

"Engage, Empower, Inspire Every Student Every Day for Successful Futures"

### School Improvement Council

### Goals SY 23-24

The mission of the SPHS School Improvement Council (SIC) is to serve as an advisory council for the school. It is comprised of parents and community members. As well as students and staff members. Members of the SIC can either be appointed or elected. Each year this SIC has goals that they work on that align to the school's improvement plan.

For the 2023-2024 South Pointe High School SIC Quality Focus Teams will engage South Pointe High School faculty and staff in a collaborative and strategic planning process that is focused on the school's continuous improvement efforts that are aligned to the school's Big Rocks and Strategic Plan. The three focus teams are STEAM, Safety and Security, and Climate and Culture.

#### Goal 1

Goal 1 Communication and survey participation - This sub-committee focused on soliciting parent and student feedback to school administration, to assist in the continuous improvement planning and development of school wide initiatives and strategic goals for the year. Parent and student input was solicited during monthly SIC meetings, surveys, and weekly newsletters distributed by administration.

#### Goal 2

School spirit - This sub-committee focused on soliciting feedback from parents, students, and faculty to identify ways to improve school spirit and pride in the South Pointe way.

### Goal 3

Alumni and community communications - This sub-committee focused on developing an outreach plan to alumni to increase engagement in school activities and opportunities to give back to the South Pointe community. Access to the alumni database was added to the school website to create a centralized location for graduates to share contact information, and recent graduate contact information was captured as a part of the graduation process.







# **South Pointe Social Media**

South Pointe High School / Homepage (rock-hill.k12.sc.us)

South Pointe - Team Home South
Pointe Stallions Sports
(spstallions.com)

South Pointe High School Student Council (wixsite.com)

South Pointe High School Twitter

@SPHSstallions (Main)

@SPHS\_Guidance (School Counseling)

@sphs\_stuco (Student Council)
 @spstallions (Athletics)

@SacademicsSPH (Academic Booster)

@SPHSBoosters (Athletic Booster)

# 2023-2024 Employee Recognitions

**Teacher of the Year** Richard Pickering

Support Staff of the Year Rebecca McAteer

**Support Faculty of the Year** Taylor Henderson

### "POINTES" OF PRIDE

- South Pointe High School has become a Leader in Me school
- The Governor's School of Science and Math) at South Pointe High School, which offers up to 49 dual credits in math, science, and engineering, is in its fourth year. SPHS GSSM is one of 18 elite schools in SC and graduated its 23-24 GSSM class.
- South Pointe Robotics continues its excellence! This is our team's 7th year of existence and our 7th year in a row going to State Championships, we have won 5 trophies over the years and our team has gained a lot of respect from other teams and Coaches across the state.
- South Pointe National Honor Society, Student Council, and Air Force ROTC participated in many community service projects. They collectively donated over 6,000 hours of community service and activities throughout the year. STUCO hosted several community service events such as: Community Service Breakfast at Fatz Cafe, Adopt a Wish List, Christmas Gift Cards, and March of Dimes. Overall, this year the organization was able to raise over \$5000 from monetary and other consumable donations. AFJROTC also hosted the Headquarters Inspection which happens every three years. They did an incredible job preparing, and executing all requirements during the inspection, leading to a passing score which is the equivalent of a B.

### 2023-2024 Athletic accomplishments:

- 567 / 1143 students at SPHS participated in at least
- 45 athletes received the SC High School League Scholar athlete award
- SPHS athletes participated in over 500 hours of community service
- Our 1st quarter cumulative GPA was a 3.8
- Our lowest team GPA was a 3.1
- For the 22-23 school year our athletes received
- over 10 million dollars in scholarships

#### In the Arts...

- Theatre shined at PDA/SCITS Theatre Festival
  - Eleven of our thirteen individual entries received the highest score possible of "Superior."
  - Sadie Bridges was elected as a South Carolina Student Thespian Officer for their Advisory Board.
  - Each actor in When She Had Wings received a Superior rating (the only instance for any school in the entire showcase) and the When She Had Wings tech team also received a Superior score.
  - When She Had Wings was also selected as the first alternate for the Chapter Select Showcase at the National Festival this summer.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- 70% Pass Rate for students making a D or Higher on the 2022-2023 Algebra 1 EOC.
- 57% Pass Rate for students making a D or Higher on the 2022-2023 Biology 1 EOC.
- 70.3% Pass Rate for students making a D or Higher on the 2022-2023 English II EOC.
- 61.94% Pass Rate for students making a D or Higher on the 2022-2023 English II EOC.
- SPHS earned the highest EOC and Graduation Rate growth in the district.
- SPHS had a 60 % scholarship increase from 9.5 million to 15.6 million



# 2023-2024 School Improvement Council Members

## **Parents/Community Members:**

Kiwanna Brackett Parent Chair Richard Pickering, Parent Vice Chair Noreen Ruff, Community Member DJ George, Community Member Michael Thomas, Community Member

#### Ex Officio School Members:

Valarie Williams, Principal Emily Thomas, Teacher Ethan Wallace, Teacher Kay Runyans, Assistant Principal Kenisha Williams Assistant Principal Claire Eisentrout, Parent Michelle Greenlee, Parent/Teacher Org Rep

### **Student Members:**

Lola Kelly Haley McCarter

SPHS School Improvement Council meets the first Tuesday of every month at 5:30pm. For the 2023 -2024 school year, all SIC meetings will be held via Zoom.

SPHS SIC was the 2017 Riley Award for Excellence Winner

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