

Hilton Head Island Middle School School Improvement Council Report to the Parents

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HILTON HEAD ISLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

VISION STATEMENT

We envision the Hilton Head Island Middle School community working together to build a culture that supports diversity in a safe, nurturing, and engaging environment.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Hilton Head Island Middle School is to provide challenging curricula with high expectations for learning that develop productive citizens who can solve problems and contribute to a global society.

CORE

The vision and mission of Hilton Head Island Middle School makes it imperative to implement the following objectives:

1. To provide a safe environment.
2. To provide academic excellence by incorporating researched-based effective practices and rigorous programs.
3. Through high expectations, develop in each student the ability to think, be responsible, respectful, and honest in order to positively impact academic achievement.
4. To encourage stewardship of the environment.
5. To stimulate each student's creativity and problem-solving ability.
6. To encourage students to respect the attitudes, values, and culture of others as well as their own.
7. To provide students with experiences that promotes meaningful relationships, and the development of social problem-solving skills.
8. To develop a positive self-image and self-efficacy in students by providing them with individual acceptance, encouragement, and recognition when appropriate.

SCHOOL RENEWAL PLAN GOALS

GOAL 1: Student Achievement – By 2023-2024, we will close the achievement gap by reducing the number of African-American, LEP, disable students scoring in the ‘not met’ from 53% to 40% in ELA and from 57% to 45% in math; LEP will reduce from 43% to 35% in math and ELA; students with disabilities will reduce from 81% to 76% in ELA and from 77% to 72% in math.

GOAL 2: Teacher/Administrator Quality – By 2023-2024, at least two days per week, teachers will implement engaging tier one instructional strategies as learned in professional development sessions for co-teaching/inclusion, technology integrations, the Literacy Design Collaborative/Mathematics Design Collaborative, and the Middle Years Programme (IB).

GOAL 3: School Climate – By 2023-2024, we will collaborate with stakeholders to develop a positive school environment, as measured by a minimum of 70% satisfactory rating for each area of the student, teacher, and parent surveys.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL GOALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

GOAL 1: Building our Facebook and E-mail network

Achievements: Increased FB presence by 250 Followers, E-mail network by 250 members, Registered volunteers increased by 169 from prior year, The Stingray Support Circle met 97% of needs presented to them

GOAL 2: Increase community and local business support of HHIMS

Achievements: Increased awareness of school needs, Increased involvement of local mentoring groups, connected community members with school to provide supplies and service days at HHIMS

GOAL 3: Communicating with HHIMS families/community way to get involved

Achievements: Sent out StingRAYSing Awareness Newsletter and increased our presence through local media and publications, contacted by other schools to evaluate and duplicate The Stingray Support Circle

Goal 4: Supporting Teachers and Staff

Achievements: Increased internal awareness of The Stingray Support Circle, provided teacher’s wish list requests, secured many volunteers for teacher led events

GOAL 5: Increasing Stingray Support Circle items provided to students and families

Achievements: Over 500 student visits to The Support Circle for clothes, toiletries or food items, doubled the amount of gently used school uniforms donated, Holiday bags distributed to students in need doubled, had an 8th promotion clothing drive, hosted a holiday “free of charge” shopping day for parents, purchased 75 additional Stingray Hoodies for students in need, distributed over 1080 snack bags to students, were successful in fundraising and grant donations to The Stingray Support Circle

POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS & SUPPORTS (PBIS)

PBIS is an approach for assisting school personnel in adopting and organizing evidence-based behavioral interventions. The approach enhances academic and social behavior for all students. PBIS is not a packaged curriculum or scripted intervention. PBIS is a prevention-oriented way for school personnel to (a) organize evidence-based practices, (b) improve their implementation of those practices, and (c) maximize academic and social behavior outcomes for all students. At HHIMS, effective classroom management and preventive school-wide discipline are essential for supporting teaching and learning. PBIS emphasizes that effective classroom management and school-wide discipline must be integrated and working together with effective academic instruction in a positive and safe school climate to maximize success for all students.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAM

Hilton Head Island Middle School is an IB World School and implements the Middle Years Program instructional framework.

The MYP includes 8 subjects: Language & Literature, Language Acquisition (foreign language), Math, Science, Individuals & Societies (Social Studies), Design (computer tech), Art & Music, and Health & PE.

In each of these subjects, inquiry-based instructional units are developed. The IB framework emphasizes conceptual learning and seeks to help students make connections between local issues and global concerns. In addition, interdisciplinary connections are made to make learning relevant and meaningful to students.

Authentic assessment takes place, in addition to traditional assessment, and students are expected to demonstrate learning and understanding in ways that go beyond multiple-choice tests. Projects, presentations, and collaborative activities are part of each instructional unit.

Community Service is expected of IB students and each grade level develops service projects that align with lines of inquiry and state standards. All students are expected to participate in these activities.

Character education is also a major component and the IB focuses on 8 traits – called the Learner Profile, with the aim of developing learners who are knowledgeable, thinkers, communicators, principled, open-minded, caring, risk-takers, balanced, and reflective. IB learners are expected to be scholars who take action to make the world a better place!



BUILDING ENROLLMENT AND CAPACITY				
CAPACITY		2018-2019 ENROLLMENT		% CAPACITY USAGE
1006		1019		Over 100%
2018-2019 DEMOGRAPHICS				
% WHITE	% HISPANIC OR LATINO	% BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN	% ASIAN	% SUBSIDIZED MEALS
40%	44%	14%	2%	56%

Hilton Head Island Middle School participates in both norm-referenced (MAP) and criterion-referenced (SC Ready and PASS) testing. Parents have access to our school's Report Card from the South Carolina State Department with our school's standardized test results. Our parents have received individual results of their students' scores. This report gives us a chance to share the MAP group RIT scores for Hilton Head Island Middle School.

MEASURES OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS			
	2018 FALL	2019 WINTER	2019 SPRING
MATH	% Met Target Growth	% Met Target Growth	% Met Target Growth
6TH GRADE	49.47%	46.96%	46.54%
7TH GRADE	47.21%	46.41%	49.13%
8TH GRADE	54.33%	53.3%	52.74%
READING	% Met Target Growth	% Met Target Growth	% Met Target Growth
6TH GRADE	51.55%	52.93%	54.08%
7TH GRADE	51.79%	51.37%	52.72%
8TH GRADE	53.8%	56.72%	55.16%



STUDENT PERFORMANCE DATA

HHMS students scored above THE district average in 6th grade on the SC Ready Reading assessment in the % Meets/Exceeds category. Students also scored above the district averages in 6th and 7th grades on the SC Ready Math assessment in the % Meets/Exceeds category. On the SC PASS Science assessment 8th graders exceeded the district average by 2 percentage points and 6th graders exceeded the district average by .8 percentage points on the SC PASS Social Studies assessment.

	SC Ready – Reading Meets/Exceeds	
2017-2018	District	HHMS
Grade 6	42.8%	44.3%
Grade 7	40.5%	37.4%
Grade 8	40.1%	40.0%

	SC Ready – Math Meets/Exceeds	
2017-2018	District	HHMS
Grade 6	42.6%	43%
Grade 7	37.1%	41.2%
Grade 8	38.2%	35%

	SC PASS – Science Meets/Exceeds	
2017-2018	District	HHMS
Grade 6	46.6%	47.4%
Grade 8	48.8%	50.8%

	SC PASS – Social Studies % Met/Exemplary	
2017-2018	District	HHMS
Grade 7	63.4%	60.5%



For more information, please visit our website at <https://hhms.beaufortschools.net/> or contact our main office at 843-689-4500.

SCHOOL SPONSORED STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

30 Duke Tip Student Candidates	IXL/Algebra Nation	Sports Banquets
6 th , 7 th and 8 th grade Awards Ceremonies	Junior Interact Club	Stellar Stingray Monthly Recognition
8 th grade End of Year Celebrations	Kayaking Trip	Stingray Scoop
Advanced Studies Program	Like us on Facebook	Stingray Startup
After School Tutoring Program	Morning News Announcement Show	Stingray Support Circle
AIM Cans for Bands	National Junior Honor Society	Stingrays United Club
Area in Motion Club (AIM)	Naviance	String & Band Performances
Art Club	Night of the Arts	Student Council
Athletic Teams	NJHS & Student Council Car Wash	Student Health Screening
ATL time - Approaches to Learning- RTI	Open House	Summer ESOL Enrichment Program
Back Pack Buddies Fundraiser	Organizational Support Groups	Summer Reading Program
Before School Care	PBIS Incentive Days	Summer School
Black History Month	Preventive Worksite Screening for Staff	Ray Factor Talent Show
Boulee Youth Luncheon	Principal's Monthly Round Table	Taste of HHI Night
Career Fair sponsored by Guidance office	PTA	Teacher Appreciation Week
College Colors Day	Read 180	Thanksgiving Luncheon and canned food drive
Dance Club	Red Ribbon Week	Tiny Techz Club
Dell Device 1 to 1 Student Initiative	Recycling Club	VSA Art
District Student of the Month	Rising 6 th Grade Transition Orientation	Yearbook
Drama Club	Rotary Club Mentor Group	
ESOL Parent Nights	Safety/Security Trainings	
Exceeding Expectations Mentoring Group	School Newspaper	
Follow us on Twitter	Science Fair	
Girls on the Run Club	Second Helping Canned Food Drive	
Grade Level Dances	SIC Christmas Shop	
Gullah Heritage Celebration	South Carolina Junior Scholar Banquet	
High School Credit Courses	Special Olympics	
Honor Roll Celebrations sponsored by PTO	Special Olympics Bowling	
Hour of Code	Special Olympics Tennis	
Impact Mentor Group	Spirit Week	
ILit Literacy Program	Spirit Week Parade	

2018-2019 STINGRAY HIGHLIGHTS

- HHIMS students meeting criteria submitted applications for the Hilton Head Island School Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society. 33 7th and 8th grade candidates were inducted into the HHIMS Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society.
- 1 to 1 Dell Device implementation for all students and teachers. Teachers and students continue to use devices as a tool to enhance learning in the classroom.
- Student chosen as “Mayor” of Hilton Head Island at Student Government Day,
- Tiny Techz Club built a small-scale trebuchet. Best design winner was built as a large-scale working model. Students programmed strawberry pies to create video games.
- Tiny Techz Club field trip to Gulfstream to learn the engineering of the dike system used at the Savannah National Wildlife Refuge.
- The Orchestra combined with Hilton Head Island High School received an Excellent rating and 1st place in a National Music competition in Orlando, Florida
- Gulfstream, Water Treatment Plant and Nature Exploration in Sea Pines field trips
- 10 students represented HHIMS in BCSD All County Orchestra
- The HHIMS band hosted 3 piano players from the HHI International Piano competition. Students had an interactive session with the professional musicians from Russia, China and South Korea.
- HHIMS teacher recognized as Future Scholar Financial Literacy Program Educator of the Month by the South Carolina State Treasurer.
- 3 Duke Tip Finalists who received State Recognition
- Choir performed as part of the Ray Factor Talent Show.
- Approximately 80 students participated in the HHIMS Science Fair. Of those students, 24 went on to compete in the Sea Island Regional Science with three students placing in the biology category.
- The HHIMS NJHS & Student Council sponsored service projects raising funds for HHIMS family fire victims and those in need.
- 6 students achieved a maximum raw score on the SC Ready Math test
- The HHIMS Band program received donations from the Jazz Foundation, HHIMS PTA and HHIMS parents. Instruments were donated by the Jazz Corner.
- 2 HHIMS teachers were recipients of \$2,000 and \$4,000 grants from the Community Foundation of the LowCountry
- Girls Basketball placed 2nd overall in county
- 244 HHIMS student athletes participated in sports this school year.
- HHIMS Wrestling Team are County Champions with 3 students competing at the state level
- HHIMS cheerleading squad traveled to Columbia SC to cheer on HHIHS at the Debbie Rogers Cheer Classic
- Volleyball Team placed 2nd overall in the county
- Seven 8th grade Orchestra students performed for the 9th Annual Social Etiquette Celebration.
- World Cultures class trip to St. Augustine, Florida
- The Football Team placed 2nd overall in the county
- 358 – 8th grade Individual Graduation Plans created by the guidance department
- Boys Soccer Team claimed 1st place overall in the county and the Girls Track team won the County Championship
- Thirty - 8th grade students qualified for SC Junior Scholars
- Telluride Mountain Film Festival Program presented at HHIMS to 7th graders
- 8th grade STEM field trip to Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida
- NJHS & Student Council traveled to Washington DC to tour our nation’s capital
- Hilton Head Performing Arts Center Ballet field trip
- NJHS car wash raised \$470.00 for Lambs for Life Program
- NJHS wrote letters to Senator Graham about the need for a Pediatric Division of the National Cancer Institute
- 8th grade Chinese I class enjoyed an authentic Chinese lunch experience at Asian Bistro

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL



The Council meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in the Media Center. Minutes are published and posted on the school website under the SIC link. The 2018-2019 members are as follows:

Shannon Bedenbaugh, Chairperson	Patricia Drane, Teacher
Pat Freda, Principal, Ex-Officio	Kari Heines, Teacher
Emily Boatwright, Secretary	Brantley Wilson, AP, Ex-Officio
Sarah Perry, Parent	Beth Bournias, AP, Ex-Officio
Jeanine Clark, Parent	Kyctrell Swinton-Atkins, AP, Ex-Officio
Amy Nardi, Parent	Sheila Duffy, Community Rep.
Stephanie Esquivel, Parent	Marion Payne, Community Rep.
Denise Friday, Parent	Louis Johnson, Community Rep.
Debbie Broome, Parent	Marion Fletcher, Community Rep.
Faquita Aiken, Parent	Barbara Barthelman, Community Rep.
Angela McSwain, Parent	Jeanette Davis, Community Rep.
Abby Wirth, Parent	Ann Finn, PTA President, Ex-Officio

CONGRATULATIONS SIC

2018 Riley Award for SIC Excellence Honor Roll
2019 Riley Award for SIC Excellence Winner

HHIMS SIC recognized as South Carolina's
Best School Improvement Council of the Year

