

2021-2022 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT TO PARENTS



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This report is provided to parents in compliance with the Education Finance Act (EFA) of 1977, the education Improvement Act (EIA) of 1984, and the Elementary and Secondary Act (ACT 135) of 1993. It presents information about school accomplishments during the 2020-2021 school year.



Our School Improvement Council reviews our goals and achievements, challenges, and successes during the school year, and reports the progress to our school family of students, parents, teachers, and our community. At Port Royal Elementary School, we believe in Staying On COURSE until we reach our destination—EXCELLENCE!

2021-2022 SIC Goals

Academic Growth for all students.

Increase Community Support.

ACADEMIC DATA

2021 SC READY/PASS

SC Ready Math	SC Ready ELA	SC PASS Science
29%	32%	43%

*% OF STUDENTS SCORING MEETS OR EXCEEDS

	Kinder	1st Grade	2nd Grade	3rd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade
Reading	NA	NA	41%*	50%	33%	46%
Math	40%*	72%*	41%*	57%	31%	62%

*% OF STUDENTS SCORING AT OR ABOVE THE 50TH PERCENTILE
*WINTER SESSION (SPRING NOT YET AVAILABLE)



HIGHLIGHTS

All students were able to go on a field trip this year to experience learning outside the classroom:

- PK-Dempsey Strawberry Farm, Beaufort
- K- SC Aquarium, Charleston
- 1st-EdVenture, Columbia
- 2nd-RIVERBANKS Zoo, Columbia
- 3rd-Sandlapper Boat Tour, Charleston
- 4th-SC State House & SC Museum, Columbia
- 5th-Camp Leopold, Pinewood

We opened a STEM lab this year to give students opportunities to engage in hands-on science, technology, engineering, and math concepts using the scientific process and the engineering



design process.

Student ambassadors were voted in by their peers to represent the student body in a leadership role to ensure learning, safety, and joy were at the center of all that we do.

2021-2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

The 2021-2022 school year began with hopes of a more traditional year, however, contact tracing, quarantines, and absences continued to provide challenges throughout the first semester. The “interrupted learning” over the past two years attributed to an increased focus on intentional data tracking and differentiated instruction to ensure all students were given the opportunity to reach their potential. The School Improvement Council unanimously supported maintaining the goal to facilitate academic growth for all students during this school year. Action steps toward this goal included weekly data chats with teachers, continued use of interventionist and tutors to work with students in small groups and monitor student progress, and professional development for teachers in content specific curriculum and social emotional skills.

The second goal of the School Improvement Council was to increase community support of Port Royal Elementary School. Our first bookfair in November was wildly successful and through community donations we were able to make sure every student went home with a book of their choice. In addition, we were able to add a parent who is a registered dietician in our local community to our wellness committee. Our three family engagement night events; STEM, literacy, and math, brought families back to the school to celebrate academics. In addition, we were able to work with the local police department and the Port Royal Town Hall to decrease the speed limit within the block of the school making the students’ arrival and dismissal safer.

After receiving feedback from all stakeholders: staff, students, parents, and community members; the School Improvement Council approved a new vision and mission for Port Royal Elementary School on Thursday, March 17, 2022.

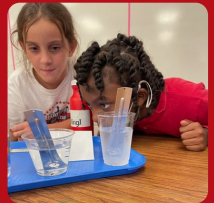
Vision

Port Royal Mariners build a community where everyone is respectful, responsible, engaged, and well-rounded.

Mission

Our mission is to educate, empower, and engage students through:

- cooperation and communication,
- community involvement,
- challenging & innovative curriculum,
- social & emotional development,
- safe & inclusive environment.



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