# North Pointe Elementary School 2022-2023 SIC Report to Parents



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# **Our Mission**

The mission of North Pointe Elementary School is to provide diverse educational experiences that encourage students to think critically, act responsibly, and communicate effectively in order to become exceptional citizens who are college and career ready.

# **Our Vision**

The vision of North Pointe Elementary School is to provide an exemplary education, empowering all students to reach their potential through academics, arts, and athletics.

#### **General Information**

North Pointe Elementary School is located on Highway 81 North, approximately 3 miles from the city limits of Anderson, South Carolina. Built in 2012, North Pointe is a two story facility with 134,038 square feet sitting on almost 37 acres. North Pointe houses 41 regular sized classrooms, 12 tutorial spaces, 1 science lab, a full size auditorium, gymnasium, cafeteria and a Learning Commons. 2021-2022 student enrollment includes over 520 4K-5th grade students. North Pointe's two CERDEP (Child Early Reading Development Education Program) classrooms serve students in the Midway Elementary and North Pointe Elementary attendance zones. The school hosts twenty-seven classrooms from K4 through fifth grade. There are 2 self-contained behavior support classrooms with 2 certified teachers and 2 teaching assistants. These classrooms are also supported with a full-time mental health counselor and a sensory room. North Pointe's Parent Teacher Organization plays an integral role in supporting school initiatives. This is evident through annual fundraisers, providing teachers with classroom supply funds, creating magical family events throughout the school year, and so much more.

#### Purpose of the Report

"This report is issued by the North Pointe 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."

#### **Robotics Club**

Congratulations are in order for the North Pointe Robotics Team from Anderson District 5! On Saturday, February 25 three of the six teams competed at the State Robotics Competition at JL Mann High School in Greenville, SC.

Team 90948C, with Wyatt McLean, Eli Weidenhammer, Minh Ho and Greyson Sutton, won the Think Award. The Think Award is presented to a team that has developed and effectively used quality program as part of their strategy to solve the game challenge.

Team 90948A, with Aline Marchant, Madison Schafer, Izzy Lazarus and Emily Weidenhammer, won the Create Award. The Create Award is presented to the team whose robot design incorporates a creative engineering solution to the design challenges of the season's game.

Also of note is Team 90948F, with Leigh Estrada, Sophie Jones, Leah McCumber and Lauren McDavid, for their third place overall ranking in the Teamwork Challenge.

# Our School at-a-Glance

At North Pointe, you will feel the Yellow Jacket Pride at every corner. Our school's focus is to provide diverse educational experiences which encourage students to think critically, act responsibly, and communicate effectively. We provide students with:

- Highly Qualified Teaching Staff
- Reading Coach
- Reading and Math Tutors, Grades 1-5
- Full-Time Gifted & Talented Teacher
- State of the Art Technology
  - 1:1 Chromebooks, K-5
  - Dell Interactive Boards
  - Document Cameras
  - Teacher 2-in-1 Laptops
- Integrated Units of Instruction
- After School Programs

- Lego Robotics Club
- Art Club
- Running Club
- Choir
- Comic Book Club
- Good News Club
- Partnership with Clemson University's Teaching Program
- Educational Field Trip Opportunities
- Orton-Gillingham trained teachers in all grades.
- Diverse instructional strategies to reach all student academic needs.

### North Pointe SIC Members

Ms. Sonia Rose, PTO President Ms. Heather Ebernickle, Parent Ms. Kaylene Foster, Community Rep. Ms. Whitney Cox, Community Rep. Ms. Ashley Hayes, Teacher of the Year Ms. Megan Maness, Reading Coach Mr. James Rash, Assistant Principal

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#### Casey Cromer 22-23 Teacher of the Year



#### **School Achievements**

The South Carolina Department of Education recognized North Pointe Elementary with an Excellent rating on the most recent state school report card.

Ms. Casey Cromer was named the 22-23 Teacher of the Year.

Monthly Terrific Kid celebrations were held to recognize students from each homeroom who exemplify our focused character traits.

We continued our "Author's Celebration" where students were recognized for outstanding writing achievement.

This year, the Step It Up fundraiser raised over \$21,000 which will be used to improve our school in a variety of ways.

Annual Step It Up funds have provided a shade structure for our playground, murals around the school, an "Authors on Pointe" display for student writing, leveled reading text for classrooms, a basketball court on the playground, and other school beautification projects.