

2020-2021

Westwood High School

Institute of Research, Engagement and Design

School Improvement Council Parent Report

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School Improvement Council

Leadership

Antoinette Boyer, Chair
Connie Evans, Vice Chair
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Parents

Kerriann Bell-Sasser, Linden Boyer, LaShaunda Davis, Cartisha Fayson, Ruth Nagee, Mark Richter, Uvette Pope-Rogers, Jonilynn Reyes, Shandelle Simmons

Students

A'Nya Ferguson, Leayzia Shiver

Faculty/Staff

Stefanie Glover, Vanessa McGill, Jeffrey O'Shields

Ex-Officio Members

Katrina Hampton, Robert S. Jackson, Ed.S., Porschia Meadows, Ph.D, Tameka Nicholson, Ed.S.,

WHS Education Foundation

Mark Richter, Chair
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Tameka Nicholson, Ed.S.
Robert Jackson, Ed.S., Principal



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Mission Statement

Westwood High School in partnership with our parents and community engages and motivates students to develop 21st century skills, while producing responsible citizens who are prepared for future success.

Grades: 9-12

Student Enrollment: 1490

Hours: 8:10am-3:39pm



Academic Programming

iRed

The Institute of Research, Engagement, and Design (iRED) is a whole-school magnet at Westwood High School. The school curriculum emphasizes the STEAM subjects of science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics.

Studio D

Studio D is a model of learning by discovery and design. Students are challenged to think outside the box through a series of processes that empower them to answer the tough questions. Throughout this process students learn leadership, communication, collaboration, innovation and perseverance.

AVID

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is a rigorous academic elective course that prepares motivated students, in the academic middle, to reach their potential, achieve their goals and prepare for 4-year college eligibility. AVID helps with study skills, organizational skills, writing skills, and being prepared for college.

SOAR Academy

SOAR Academy is Westwood High School's honors program - a small, dedicated community of students who are highly motivated to meet formidable academic challenges, to take risks, and to think deeply, critically and creatively.

SIC Goals

1. As an SIC, we desire to create the type of learning community that results in 65+% of our families who are satisfied with the home/school relations at WHS.
2. As an SIC, we desire to create systems and structures that result in 90+% of our families who are satisfied with the learning environment at WHS.
3. As an SIC, we desire to increase positive community engagement by 75% to ensure every child has a positive advocate that supports their learning experiences.



Honors and Awards



- Magnet Schools of American Demonstration School
- Magnet Schools of America Merit of Distinction
- 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year: Mrs. Katrina Hampton
- 2020-2021 Support Staff of the Year: Ms. LaRhonda Nelson
- Mr. Judson Ford, Guidance Counselor, named a Richland Two Culture of Excellence Award recipient
- Coach Gregory Bauldrick named Region AAAA Coach of the Year
- Ms. Nadine Stewart, World Language Instructor, named President Elect of the South Carolina Foreign Language Teachers Association
- Ms. Kathy Carroll, Media Specialist, named President of the American Association of School Librarians
- 2020-2021 National Beta School of Merit

Clubs and Organizations

AVID, Book Club, Bowling Club, DECA, FBLA, FCA, Freshman House, Roots and Wings Club, HOSA, WHS Fire & Rescue, Junior House, Kings of Westwood, Latin Dance Club, Leo Club, Mu Alpha Theta, National Art, Honor Society, National Beta Club, National Dance, Honor Society, National English Honor Society, National Honor Society, National Science Honor Society, National Society for Black Engineers, National Spanish Honor Society, Spanish Club, National Technical Honor Society, Pearls of Elegance, Young, Black and Determined, Prysm, Senior House, Sophomore House, Technical Student Association of America, Skills USA



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