

## Achievements

### **Student**

- \*Citizenship Awards
- \*District Superintendent's Writing Award
- \*Duke Talent Identification Program
- \*Heighten The Performance Honor Roll
- \*Ladies and Gentlemen's Club
- \*C.A.T. Essay Awards
- \* Handwriting Award
- \* Michelin Car Challenge
- \* Patriot's Pen Essay
- \* Perfect Attendance
- \* SC Junior Scholar
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- \* Algebra Award
- \*Woodman of the World History Award

### **Faculty/Staff**

- Penny Tavenner - Support Staff of the Year
- Mel Gillispie - Teacher of the Year
- Anna Barker - Distinguished Literacy Teacher

### **School**

- \*Archery Teams (4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>), (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>)
- \*Little River Conference Girls Basketball Champions
- \*Laurens County Archery Champions ( 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> , 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> )
- \*Michelin STEM Car Challenge District Winner – Third Grade
- Distance
- \*Elementary and Middle Archery State Qualifiers



## 2017-2018 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

### **Elected**

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### **Appointed**

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### **Ex-officio**

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### **Purpose of this Report**

This Report is issued by the Hickory Tavern 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.

## **Annual School Improvement Council** **Report to the Parents** **2017-2018** ***Heighten the Performance***



### **Mission Statement**

The Mission of Hickory Tavern School is to create a community of learners who are responsible and productive citizens.

### **Hickory Tavern School**

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## SIC Annual Goals

- Construct an outdoor structure for recreational and academic activities
- Build a working relationship with area churches
- Begin researching and planning for the construction of a memorial wall.

### ***Progress***

- Construction of the outdoor structure was completed in February. Teachers and students are using the structure as an outdoor classroom.
- A collaboration brunch with community pastors was held in November to share needs within our school, create opportunities for school volunteers, sponsor special events, and providing mentors for our students. This will be an ongoing collaboration.
- We are in the beginning stages of planning a memorial wall honoring the lives of former students and faculty.



## Student Achievement

### ***PALS***

- Significant growth occurred in all areas, specifically in Beginning Sounds and Name Writing

### ***MAP***

- A majority of grade levels showed growth in math.
- Several grades showed significant growth in reading

### ***School Report Card***

- The last reported rating was in 2014. Hickory Tavern School received a rating of Good

### ***State Testing***

- According to SC Ready ELA, students were strong in literary text

### **SC Ready Scores:**

- **Grade 3-5 ELA** - 67% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations
- **Grade 3-5 Math** - 72% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations

### **SC Pass Scores:**

- **Grade 4 Science** – 32.2% Met and above
- **Grade 5 Science** – 50% Met and above
- **Grade 4 Social Science** – 64.5% Met and above
- **Grade 5 Social Science** – 70.3% Met and above

### **SC Ready Scores:**

- **Grade 6-8 ELA** - 79% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations
- **Grade 6-8 Math** – 75% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations

### **SC Pass Scores:**

- **Grade 6 Science** – 66.2% Met and above
- **Grade 7 Science** – 45.8% Met and above
- **Grade 8 Science** – 50.6% Met and above
- **Grade 6 Social Science** – 92.2% Met and above
- **Grade 7 Social Science** – 83.1% Met and above
- **Grade 8 Social Science** – 71.9% Met and above

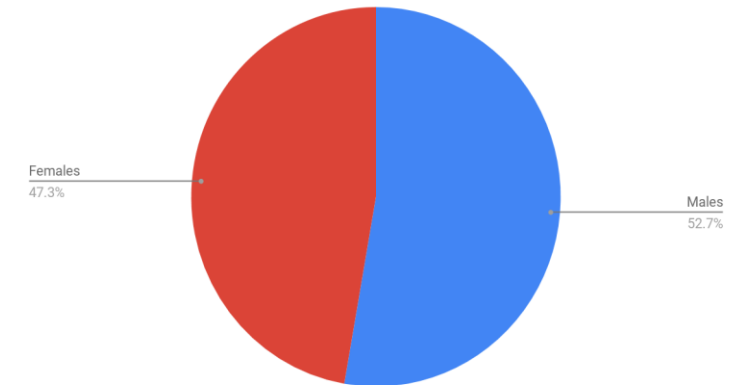
### **End of Course Test Scores:**

- HT's End of Course Test scores for Algebra 1 – 100% passing
- HT's End of Course Test scores for English 1 – 100% passing

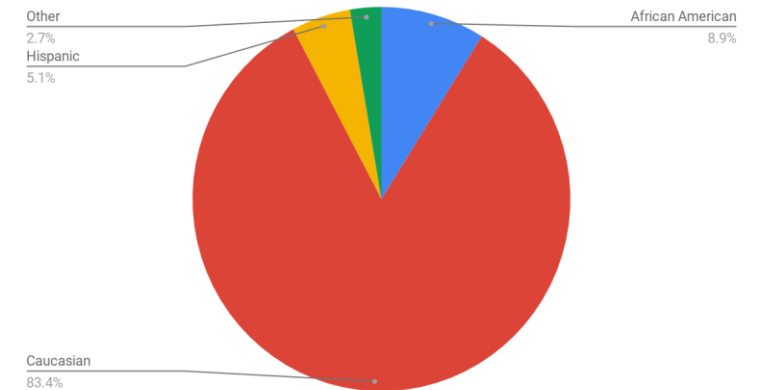
For more information, you may view Hickory Tavern's SC School Report Card for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov).

## Additional Information

### Demographics



### Ethnicities



### **Title I Funding**

Hickory Tavern School qualifies as a school-wide Title I school. This means the school receives services and materials in addition to what is provided by the school district. Title I funds are provided through the Federal Government.

### **Opportunities for Involvement**

- \*PTA
- \*Mentors

- \*Volunteers
- \*School Sponsored Events
- \*Athletic Events
- \*Fine Arts Performances