

### **Facilities**

- Opened in August 2014
- Nine learning communities three learning communities per floor
- Each learning community includes: two learning studios, a STEAM studio, a seminar room, a commons area, two small collaboration rooms, and a digital lab
- Each floor includes an additional lab and a prototype gallery
- · A predominantly digital Media Center
- Exposed building areas for observational learning
- Fine Arts wing band room, chorus room, ensemble room, piano lab, two practice rooms, and a Fine Arts commons area
- Gymnasium with a stage
- · Indoor and outdoor amphitheaters
- Open courtyard
- Athletic Fields/Courts: Tennis, Basketball, Soccer, Baseball, Softball

#### A Note from the SIC Chair:

Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School has had an exceptional seventh year! This year we continued to improve upon several changes to meet the unique needs of our students. One was to ensure all 6th Graders received team-based STEAM instruction as well as a designated Advisory period for all 7th and 8th graders to focus on social-emotional learning. Teachers continue to maximize common planning time to work together to more effectively support student needs academically and reinforce our project-based learning approach. We have worked extensively with PBLWorks throughout the year to bring the best PBL experience to our school. Fisher Middle School has also continued with its implementation of Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS).

Our School Improvement Council, also in its seventh year, is a representative group of parents, teachers, administrators, and business/community members. It has become an effective, collaborative group whose objectives are to establish, monitor, and evaluate school site goals designed for ongoing school improvement.

We are all very proud of the Excellent rating that Fisher Middle earned on our state report card. As we continue to move ahead, we will build on our successes, continuing to create a unique and inspiring environment for our students.

--Angela Gravley

# SIC Report to the Parents 2020-21



# Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School

Greenville County Schools

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Jeremie R. Smith, Principal Tracy Burns, Program Director Metris Cain, Assistant Principal

An Innovative Approach: Full STEAM Ahead!

# School Improvement Council Members

Timm Artus, Community Partner Metris Cain, Assistant Principal Kayte Elliott, Parent Kenya Ford, Parent Angela Gravley, Parent Shannon Hugo, Teacher Nicky Jackson, Parent Carol King, Community Partner Jack Long, Community Partner Jenna Nicholson, Teacher Michelle O'Malley, Teacher Jeremie R. Smith, Principal Rikki Wright, PTSA President

## **Officers**

Chairperson: Angela Gravley Vice Chairperson: Nicky Jackson Secretary: Jenna Nicholson



## **School Profile 2020-21**

#### **Student Enrollment**

Year	Grade	Enrolled
2017-18	6, 7, 8	1036
2018-19	6, 7, 8	993
2019-20	6, 7, 8	1004
2020-21	6, 7, 8	977

#### **Student Demographics**

Male	59.0%
Female	41.0%
White	54.7%
African-American	27.5%
Hispanic	9.7%
Asian	1.0%
Other	7.1%
Free/Reduced Lunch	48.7%
Limited English Prof.	12.2%
Students with Disabilities	11.6%

#### **Faculty Profile**

Administrators	3
Teachers	50
Guidance Counselor	4.5
Media Specialist	1
Support Staff	32



# **School Features**

- Science, Technology, Engineering, ARTS,Math (STEAM) focused curriculum
- Project-based learning instructional format
- · Personalized learning initiative
- Related Arts Program: Art, Orchestra, Chorus, Band, Piano Keyboarding, Theatre, Broadcast Journalism, Robotics, Video Gaming, GTT, Art, Guitar, Beginning Spanish
- Gifted and Talented (GT) Program with advanced courses in Math and English Language Arts
- National Board Certified Teachers
- \* Golden Apple Award Winning Teacher
- \* Palmetto State Arts Education STEAM School of Excellence Award
- Active PTSA/SIC
- High School Credit Courses: Geometry, Algebra. I, Spanish I and II, Art I, English. I,