

# **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:

After realizing a state and national distinction with a Schools to Watch designation in 2021-22, Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School took the feedback from the review team and began working on its areas for improvement recognizing, more than ever, the need to provide students all the things they need to access the curriculum at their level! This year we committed to restoring the family and community connection to our school and started with our first ever family chili supper during the holiday season. From there, the SIC has begun the development of the WIN (What I Need) Closer which becomes the hub for our students to have clothing and personal hygiene needs met.

Fisher has continued its implementation of Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) by strengthening its reward system with its Fisher Feathers Store and has more explicitly defined the expectations for success at PJFMS with items such as the removal of cellular devices during the school day. Staff-wide input on the continued development of systems remains a priority for our school.

We are all very proud of Fisher Middle earned as well as the awards earned by the students at PJFMS such Superior Rating in Chorus at Disney World, District Champions in Boys and Girls Basketball, World Championship Qualifiers in VEX VRC and VEX IQ Robotics, & the Fisher Singers performed at the world-famous Carnegie Hall in New York City while Fisher Band and Strings were able to perform at Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida.

As we continue to move ahead, our School Improvement Council will continue to build on our successes, continuing to create a unique and inspiring environment for our students.

--Jack Long

# SIC Report to the Parents 2022-23



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# School Improvement Council Members

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## Officers

Chairperson: Jack Long Vice Chairperson: Colin Blassengale Secretary: Angela Halpin



### School Profile 2022-23 Student Enrollment

Year	Grade	Enrolled
2018-19	6, 7, 8	993
2019-20	6, 7, 8	1004
2020-21	6, 7, 8	970
2021-22	6, 7, 8	978
2022-23	6,7,8	987

#### **Student Demographics**

Male Female White	52.0% 48.0% 43.0%		
African-American 2 or More Races Hispanic Asian Other Free/Reduced Lunch	35.0% 10.0% 9.0% 3.0% 7.0% 51.0% 8.5%		
Limited English Prof. Students with Disabilities Students with 504's	8.5% 12.4% 6.1%		
Faculty Profile			
Administrators	4		
Teachers	58		
Guidance Counselor	4.5		
Media Specialist	1		
Support Staff	35		



### **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, Sports & Nutrition, Beginning Spanish, Guitar, FACS, Business
- Gifted and Talented (GT) Program
- Advanced courses in Math and English Language Arts
- National Board Certified Teachers
- Active PTSA/SIC
- High School Credit Courses: Algebra.
  I, Spanish I, Art I, English I,
  Fundamentals of Computing, Chorus
  I, Strings I, Band I, Sports Nutrition,
- South Carolina Association for Middle Level Education and National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grades Reform Horizon Schools to Watch