



Annual Report to Parents

Principal's Message

The focus of the 2022-2023 school year at Deer Park Middle School has been on building positive relationships in order to provide our scholars with the best education possible. As the incoming principal, I arrived on campus at the beginning of July knowing that there were many challenges and deficiencies that needed to be addressed.

However, I also saw unlimited potential. But before we could address any of the challenges and deficiencies, it became obvious that there needed to be a focus on building positive and trusting relationships with all stakeholders.

So, that is where we started! A large part of this year has been spent getting to know each other. We have attempted to change the culture of the school by working together as a faculty and staff to really get to know each other and our scholars, and providing scholars with the supports they need.

Scholars have participated in clubs, enjoyed dress-up theme days, gone on educational field trips, and enjoyed mentoring programs such as Girls on the Run and Young Men Rise.

We have hosted awards ceremonies and carnivals to give parents and community members an opportunity to visit our campus and interact with our faculty and staff in a positive way. And we have worked to forge lasting partnerships with community and business partners such as Northwood Baptist Church.

I am proud of the work everyone has done, and I believe that we are really starting to lay down roots as a school family. I would be lying if I said there weren't bumps in the road, and we have so much work to do! But as we work together as a trusting team, I am positive that we will continue to move in the right direction. I am excited to see what the future holds! We will not stop working until all of our scholars experience the success that they all deserve!

Mr. Brendan Glaze, M.Ed
Principal
Deer Park Middle School



Deer Park Data

- Total Enrollment: 343**
- Pupils in Poverty: 76.1%**
- Multilingual Learners: 18.4%**
- Special Education: 12.8%**
- Gifted and Talented: 9.9%**
- Percent Meets/Exceeds on SC Ready Math: 36%**
- Percent Meets/Exceeds on SC Ready ELA : 22%**



Principal Glaze, and the 2023 CHAMPS Awards winners.



DPM Steel Drums perform at the SC Alliance for Black School Educators Conference.



Field trips to Cooper River Center for Advanced Studies (6th) and College of Charleston (8th).



Deer Park students enjoying the Halloween celebration and dance.



DPM students and faculty on "Rep Your Roots" day.