



# PLEASANT KNOLL MIDDLE SCHOOL

## REPORT TO PARENTS 2020-2021

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We are PLEASANT KNOLL!*

### Our Vision...

“As a community of learners at Pleasant Knoll Middle School, we strive to create a safe environment focused on high achievement through a rigorous curriculum and student/teacher engagement. We work to instill a sense of community and positive citizenship while encouraging our students to SOAR in STEAM initiatives and college/career readiness”



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### Message from Mrs. Hustedt

Dear Knighthawk Family,

The 2020 -2021 school year will be one that we always remember. While we had our ups and downs, we found new ways to learn, developed meaningful relationships, and conquered a pandemic together. If this year taught us anything, it is to appreciate the small moments and be grateful for the people in our lives. PKMS students, parents, and teachers, I am so thankful for each of you and proud of your dedication to our students' education. One thing that has always impressed me about our school community is how we can come together, work hard, and SOAR inside and outside of the classroom.

Our school theme this year was “We are thoughtful. We are empowered. We are connected. We are PLEASANT KNOLL!” Especially during this COVID year, we wanted to encourage everyone to remember the power of connection. At Pleasant Knoll, we treat each other with respect and understanding. We value our similarities and differences, and we work together to make a positive change in our world.

This year our goal was to create positive relationships with our students, establish an inviting and safe school culture, and continue to help our students grow academically, socially, and emotionally. Throughout the 2020-2021 school year, we have provided opportunities for our students to be challenged and grow in these areas. As you will see in the sections of awards, honors, and events, we had a very successful year at Pleasant Knoll Middle School.

I am excited about the future at PKMS. We appreciate the collaboration and communication we have with all of our families. Let's continue to work together for our students and continue to build a tradition of excellence at Pleasant Knoll.

Go Knighthawks,  
Cori Hustedt, Principal



### PKMS School Improvement Council

**Kendra King —SIC Chairperson**

**Cori Hustedt —Principal**

**Daniel McCallum—Assistant Principal**

**Nick Janowicz – Assistant Principal**

**Brandon Shelton —Parent**

**Malayka Klimchak —Parent**

**Sarah Ramsden —Parent**

**David Miller—Parent**

**Suzy Sibert—Parent**

**Amanda Burns—Parent**

**Darla Cheski—Parent**

**TC Fuller—Community Member**

**Thomas Jenkins—Community Member**

**Amy Adldoost—Community Member**

**Patrick Donnelly—Teacher**

**Elizabeth Mallett—Teacher/Parent**

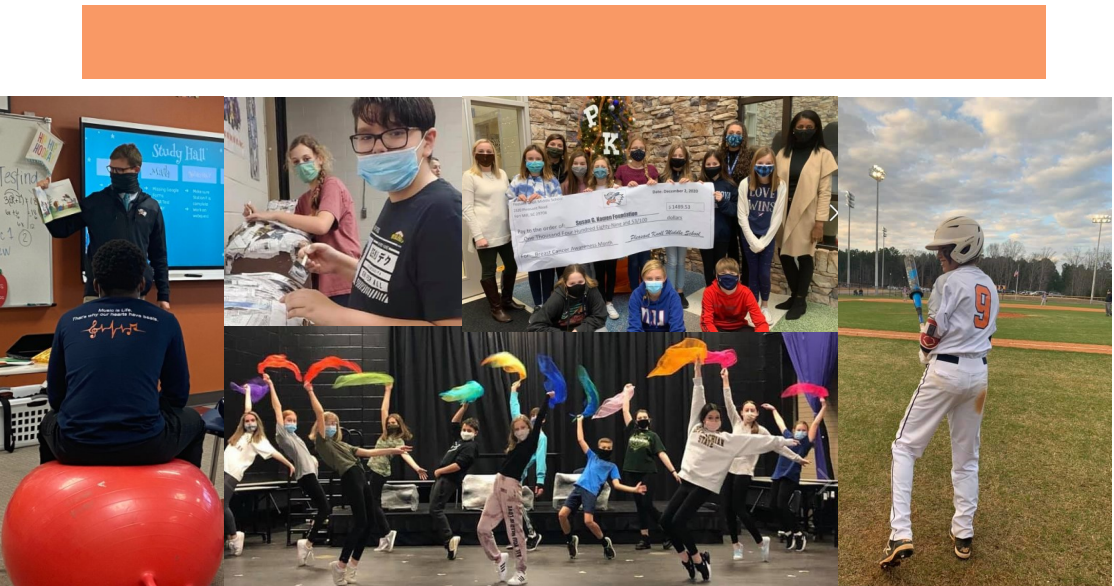
**Alyssa McAllister—Teacher**

**Allison Davis—Teacher/Parent**

**Jill Torrence—Teacher**

**Robbie Sluder—Teacher of the Year 2020**

**Michelle Angeldorf —Parent/PTO President**





# STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

## Academic

- Six period daily schedule
- High School Credit Courses (Algebra 1, English 1)
- Related Art classes (Gateway to Technology, Physical Education, Spanish, Computer Technology, Art, Chorus, Band, Theatre Arts, Family and Consumer Science)
- Instructional Technology including SMART Boards, Chromebooks, and iPads
- Learning Commons with over 11,000 selections of books
- Gifted/Talented Classes in Math, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies
- Special Education Classes (resource and inclusion)
- Teachers provide time for extra help during lunch and before/after school
- 148 8th Graders took the PSAT
- PKMS Book Fair
- 1:1 Chromebook Program
- SOAR Intervention and Enrichment program Monday—Thursday
- Daily DEAR Time (Drop. Everything. And. Read)



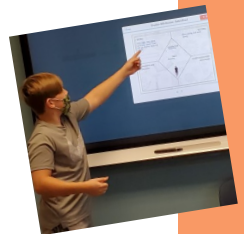
## Enrichment

- Jr. Beta Club
- Band
- National Junior Art Honor Society
- Honors Chorus
- Honors Art
- Digital Citizen Program
- Yearbook Club
- Student Council
- Academic Challenge Team
- Kindness Club
- Service Learning Club
- South Carolina Jr. Book Club
- Club time every Friday
- Character Education Program
- March Madness: College Exploration Door Competition
- Career Development



## Athletics

- Football
- 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball
- Cheerleading
- Dance Team
- 7th and 8th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball
- Boys and Girls Soccer
- Boys and Girls Track
- Baseball
- Multiple PKMS students were members of high school teams that included: wrestling, tennis, cross country, lacrosse, softball, and swimming



## Parent/Community Involvement

- School Improvement Council
- Parent/Teacher Organization
- Chorus/Band Concerts
- PKMS Weekly Flyers
- Monthly Newsletter "Knighthawk Family News"
- Teacher Websites and Weekly Emails
- Charity Fundraisers that include: Polar Plunge, The Heart Foundation, Care Center, and Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
- Community Spirit Nights
- Virtual Back to School Nights
- Rising 6th Grade Drive By
- Staff Appreciation
- BBQ Lunch Sponsor from the Drayton Family
- Virtual Veterans Day Ceremony
- Virtual Black History Month Celebration



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND AWARDS

- PKMS Beta Club inducted 151 students.
- PKMS athletic teams won Fort Mill Athletic Conference Champions in Football and 7th Grade Girls Basketball. Girls soccer finished first in their regular season.
- Virtual Winter and Spring Chorus Concerts
- Shrek Junior Performance
- 6th Grade Science Teacher, Heather Pecarro, was nominated for Teacher of the Year.
- Technology/Media Assistant, DeAnn Meek, was nominated for Support Staff of the Year.
- Monthly Knighthawk Student Flyers —21 each month
- Monthly Top Knighthawk Athletes — 6 per month
- PKMS Academic Team won the Olde English Consortium Large Middle School Conference Championship and was invited to play in the 14th Annual Jr. National Academic Championship.
- Five PKMS artists had their work chosen for the Fort Mill School District Virtual Art Show.



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