

## School Achievements

PKMS Academic Team came in second in the SC state competition and progressed to an invitation to the Nationals in Chicago.

PKMS Football Team won the title of City Champs and progressed to the regional playoffs.

Both the boys and girls' basketball team competed in the regional playoffs.

PKMS students competed in the regional Ecomeet as an extension of our thematic focus on science and came in 3<sup>rd</sup> in the area of Ornithology.

Congratulations to the PKMS Spelling Bee Champion, Izabella Brower, and runner-up Lillian Vickers.

Band highlights: 41 PKMS band students auditioned for the South Carolina Band Directors Association Honors Bands.

Congratulations to Grayson Fleury for his acceptance into the South Carolina Junior All-State Band.

Congratulations to the following students for their acceptance into the SCBDA Region 2 Honors Band:

Will Seigler, Vivienne Loose, Zayn Hanif, Maya Thomas, Hayden Owen, Kendall Risher

The following students were selected to participate in the Region 2 Alternate Band: Genelle Jackson, Aly Williams, Elli Armstrong, Kaydance Carlan, Grace Griffith  
Jorge Naranjo

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## Paul Knox Middle School 19-20 SIC Members

*Chair: Ms. Megan Ball, Teacher*  
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*Principal: Ms. Paige Day*  
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*Secretary: Hannah Crawford, Community Members:*

*Shannon Cook, Parent*  
*Regina Dunbar, Parent*  
*Andrew Morris, Community*  
*Michelle Stevens, PTO Rep*  
*Shelby Weiss, Teacher*

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### Purpose of the Report

*“This Report is issued by the Paul Knox Middle 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.”*

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## Paul Knox Middle School

### Annual School Improvement Council “Report to the Parents” 2019-2020



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Paul Knox Middle School commits to the development of life-long learners by providing a safe and nurturing environment where educators implement rigorous instruction to ALL students who will acquire the skills to become productive citizens and contribute to society.

## SIC Annual Goals

During the 19-20 school year, the PKMS School Improvement Council, decided to focus on after school supports for Math and ELA.

After-school remediation began in January. Each grade level had a specific day of support and there were two rooms of tutoring—one ELA and one Math.

The team contacted community members that would be willing to assist with homework help or reading aloud on these days. This tutoring program was planned to be offered from the 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> week in January to mid-May, but was unfortunately cut short due to the COVID-19 pandemic which led to school closures for distance learning in March of 2020.

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## Student Achievement

During the 2019-2020 school year, state testing was waived due to COVID -19. The last data points on Reading and math come from our screener for reading and math proficiency which is the Scholastic Reading and math inventory. The most recent testing data which was collected in the fall of 2020 showed current year-end proficiency in Reading to be at 59% and current proficiencies in math to be at 16%.

In the most recent SC school report card data, Paul Knox Middle School scored an Overall rating of “Good” with an absolute point value of “55”.

*“For more information, you may view Myschool’s “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov).”*

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## Additional Information

At Paul Knox Middle School’s thematic school of science, students are provided opportunities for collaboration, and acceleration within the framework of science. The program immerses students in an environment that emphasizes discovery and exploration, collaborative study, scientific research, use of scientific tools and technology, and a strong sense of community.

At Paul Knox we show strengths in standardized state testing, reading support, acceleration, and teacher and staff quality as determined by state survey results.

We are always looking to expand the parental involvement and have opportunities such as STEM night, Literacy night, PTO, and our middle grade expo to meet parental needs.

- Paige Day, Principal
- Megan Ball, Chair of SIC

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