

PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS
EXCEEDING OR MEETING
EXPECTATIONS

ENGLISH

GRADE	3	4	5	6	7	8
STATE	49.7	51.2	41.0	41.0	44.0	44.6
DISTRICT	50.8	52.5	44.8	43.4	46.1	45.9
DIS	80.6	86.2	80.9	75.0	83.4	87.0

MATH

GRADE	3	4	5	6	7	8
STATE	57.7	50.5	45.4	43.9	35.3	36.6
DISTRICT	52.6	46.4	42.8	41.4	34.3	32.4
DIS	80.6	88.6	83.9	76.7	78.1	69.9

SOCIAL STUDIES

GRADE	4	6	8
STATE	52.0	47.2	47.4
DISTRICT	53.6	49.5	47.3
DIS	89.4	85.8	87.0

SCIENCE

GRADE	5	7
STATE	70.1	64.8
DISTRICT	73.7	70.1
DIS	94.2	94.0



SCHOOL AWARDS
& RECOGNITIONS

- For twelve consecutive years, DIS has earned recognition by the Education Oversight Committee as a Palmetto Gold or Silver Award winner.
- 34 eighth grade students earned Junior Scholars recognition through the SC State Department of Education.
- 6 seventh grade students earned Duke TIP academic status through the SC State Department of Education.
- 17 students were selected for All-County Band. 10 students were selected for All-County Orchestra. 6 students were selected for Region Band. All of the groups are selected by audition.
- At the Concert Performance Assessment event, DIS Band received a Superior rating.
- Over 300 students have had their artwork showcased in the community.
- For four consecutive years, DIS students have qualified to participate in the State Geography Bee.
- Regional qualifier for Spelling Bee.
- Students participate and receive awards in in regional competitions such as Patriots Pen Essay Contest and Holocaust Creative Arts Contest.



DANIEL ISLAND SCHOOL

ANNUAL REPORT TO
PARENTS AND COMMUNITY
2019-2020



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OUR VISION

To challenge and empower our students to be successful in a highly competitive world.

OUR MISSION

Building upon our rich **LOWCOUNTRY TRADITIONS**, we will ignite, in every student, a passion for life-long learning. Through dynamic instruction, creative partnerships and exceptional support, we will foster opportunities for each student to build a **LEGACY OF SUCCESS**.

OUR GOALS

- Positive School Climate
- High Student Performance
- Community Engagement
- Strategic Human Resource Management
- Fiscal Responsibility
- Effective Communications

FAST FACTS

- Grades Pre-K through 8th
- School Enrollment: Approximately 1200
- 65% of our certified staff members hold advanced degrees
- Area High School: Philip Simmons High School

DISCOVER OUR PTA

The DIS PTA mission is to organize efforts to support, enrich, and connect the DIS students, teachers, administration and community for the benefit of the overall educational experience.

SUPPORT

- Funding for Reading Intervention K-2
- School Supplies for Teachers
- Recycling Program
- Integration and Use of Technology
- Preorder School Supply Boxes
- Supported PD for Teachers

ENRICH

- Wellness Event
- Staff Appreciation Events
- Community Events

CONNECT

- Back to School Night Celebration
- New Parent Welcome Coffee
- Family BINGO
- Middle School Events
- Newsletter & Facebook Page



DISCOVER TECHNOLOGY

- Kindergarten use iPads in the classrooms.
- First through eighth grade use Chromebooks in the classrooms.
- Google Apps for Education are used to create a collaborative learning environment.
- Google Expedition Kit was awarded to DIS through a grant.

DISCOVERY BEGINS HERE

- Our teachers work collaboratively across content areas and grade levels to engage students in meaningful learning.
- Kindergarten and 4th grade students partner as reading buddies.
- Art, Drama and Chorus partner for the annual musical production, most recently A 21st Century Christmas Carol.

DISCOVER GIVING

- Our Beta Club students and Community Crusader Club participate in many service projects throughout the Charleston community including the DI Holiday Lights, Thanksgiving food drive collection, and the MUSC children's hospital toy drive.