

Morningside's School Improvement Council Mission

Working as an advisory body to the principals, the SIC helps to improve student achievement by providing information to stakeholders and promoting the school's progress.

The Single Gender Academics @ Morningside Middle School

EXCEL (Excellence in Creativity and Leadership) and ARMS (Advancement and Refinement of Men for Society) Academies at Morningside Middle School are unique in their structures. Both academies have their own dedicated administrators, support staff, and core subject teachers with exploratory teachers teaching both males and females at different times. Students learn in a single-gender environment throughout the day. They have co-ed social opportunities during and after school which include pep rallies, after school tutoring, and incentive socials.

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Promoting Parent Education



"Excellence is Our Standard!"

Morningside Middle School 2011 Annual Report to Parents



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Mr. Kevin Smith, EXCEL Assistant Principal
Ms. Stephanie Flock, ARMS Assistant Principal
Mrs. Sheeneque Bailey, Assistant Administrator**

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County SCHOOL DISTRICT

Message from the SIC Chairperson

The Morningside Middle School Improvement Council is proud to announce that we had another very moving and flourishing year. Our year began with a retreat, in which, the council looked at more ways to improve student achievement, parental involvement, and school-community relationships.

The principals of Morningside Middle School worked well with the members of the SIC to ensure that the role of the council is fulfilled in helping to move the school forward with advisement in planning and implementing worthwhile programs and projects that directly affect student achievement, parental involvement and school-community relationships. With the steady commitment to excellence, the school report card reflected gains in areas that indicate that Morningside is definitely making strides towards success. Our students are taking ownership in their education and working closely with a group of professional educators that provide them the tools to make their education pay off.

The school continues to make literacy our top priority by incorporating it throughout the various curricula. We have instituted numerous intervention programs that offer remediation and extension to learning. These programs consist of the Voyager Math and Reading component, a daily 45 minute flex period which offers small group instruction based upon student reading levels, additional assistance through after school tutoring with teachers and the University Tutors program, and a Saturday Academy. Our students also take the Reading and Math Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) and district benchmark tests three times each year so teachers are able to get reports and use the data to further drive their daily instruction.

The SIC also sponsored and facilitated a workshop on fire prevention and safety. In addition, the SIC invited an official from Family Services, Inc., of North Charleston, to present a financial literacy workshop. The SIC was instrumental in planning "Breakfast with the Principal", "Jazz with the Principal", the Literacy Night and the Academic Showcase. The absolute culmination of our year will be a PASS Bowl in which students from around the area will converge at Morningside to showcase their hard work as they prepare for the annual state exam in May.

George White
SIC Chairperson

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SIC Members

- ◆ Mr. George White, Chairperson
- ◆ Mrs. Lillian Davis, Parent
- ◆ Ms. Lakeysha Brisbane, Parent
- ◆ Mr. Solomon Davis, Parent
- ◆ Ms. Lakeisha Manigault, Parent
- ◆ Mrs. Shirley Berry, Community
- ◆ Mr. Kenneth Gerald, Community
- ◆ Mr. Ryan Johnson, Community
- ◆ Mr. Frank Russell, Community
- ◆ Ms. Geraldine Johnson, Teacher
- ◆ Ms. Richelle Sexton, Teacher
- ◆ Ms. Angie Grimes, Teacher
- ◆ Ms. Sherrel Brown, Parent Liaison
- ◆ Ms. Shaniqua Gold, Bookkeeper
- ◆ Ms. Kala Goodwine, Principal
- ◆ Dr. Joseph Williams, Principal
- ◆ Mr. Kevin Smith, Assistant Principal
- ◆ Ms. Stephanie Flock, Assistant Principal



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Points of Pride

- ◆ 8th Grade College Tours
- ◆ A Variety of Clubs and Activities
- ◆ Adult Computer Instruction Class
- ◆ Advisor/Advisee Program
- ◆ Collaboration with School of the Arts
- ◆ Community of Reader's Home Award Winners
- ◆ Increase in MAP Test Scores from Fall to Spring
- ◆ School-wide Reading Classes
- ◆ Student Council
- ◆ "The Academy" Afterschool Tutoring
- ◆ Saturday Academy
- ◆ Unique Single-Gender Academies
- ◆ Voyager Math and Reading Interventions



**Dr. Joseph Williams, Dr. Nancy McGinley,
and Ms. Kala Goodwine**