### **School Achievements**

Junior Scholars: Irelan Scruggs, Starr Sichette, & Alyssa Smith

Ewing's Spelling Bee Winner: Bobby

#### Spicer

**Ewing Middle School** hosted the Foothills Athletic Conference Division 1 Basketball Tournament in boys' basketball and was the 1st runner up.

**Mrs. Finessa Jeter** is Ewing's 2022-2023 Distinguished Literacy Teacher of the Year.

**Mr. Brandon Watkins** is Ewing's 2021-2022 Teacher of the Year and CCSD Teacher of the Year

- **Ms. Judy Belcher** is Ewing's 2021-2022 Support Staff of the Year.
- **Mr. Prince Ayizemi** is Ewing's 2021-2022 First Year Teacher of the Year.

Mrs. Jennifer Cantrell was awarded the Schools Arts Support Grant from the SC Arts Commission and two Donor's Choose Grants.

**Ewing Middle Band** received a superior rating at the Music in the Parks Festival. Our Jazz Band received an excellent rating and won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Middle School Jazz in Gatlinburg. The also received an excellent rating at the SCBDA Jazz Festival.

**Ewing Middle Choir** received a \$1,000 grant from the Peter R. Marsh Foundation and a \$2,375 grant from the SC Arts Commission.

### John E. Ewing Middle SIC Members

Chair: Ms. Nancy Jo McConnell Mr. Brian Cody Mrs. Ashlie Turner Mrs. Tiffany Hance Mrs. Chelsea Poole Mrs. Amy Spencer Ex-officio: Mr. Gavin Fisher

#### **Purpose of the Report**

"This report is issued by the John E. Ewing 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." John E. Ewing Middle School Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2022-2023



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In partnership with all stakeholders, John E. Ewing Middle School will promote a desire for life-long learning by providing quality, safe, nurturing educational opportunities for students to succeed as responsible, productive citizens.

# **SIC Annual Goals**

The faculty and staff of John E. Ewing Middle School will build an effective professional learning community that emphasizes best practices in teaching adolescents by participating in staff development opportunities, by conducting book studies, and by doing peer observations.

The faculty and staff of John E. Ewing Middle School will promote a positive school climate by increasing the number of parents satisfied with the learning environment, the social/physical environment, and homeschool relations by a percentage point each year from 2020-21 to 2024-25.

The students of John E. Ewing Middle School will show continued growth on SC READY Math (10% each year), and SC READY ELA (8% each year).

### **Student Achievement**

Each spring, the SC Ready assessment is given to evaluate students in the areas of Reading, English, Mathematics, and Writing. Scores are reported as scale score and categorized accordingly into four categories: Exceeds, Meets, Approaches, and Does Not Meet. The South Carolina Palmetto S.C. PASS is the state's accountability measurement of student achievement for science. S.C. PASS has three scoring levels: Exemplary, Met, and Not Met. This data is used as our baseline to set our current school improvement goals.

# Test results for the 2021-2022 school year

SC Ready

	English	Reading	Math
Ewing	25%	35%	17%

#### SC Ready

	English	Reading	Math
Grade 6	24%	31%	19%
Grade 7	25%	35%	20%
Grade 8	25%	38%	11%

#### SC PASS

6 <sup>th</sup>	Science
grade	
Ewing	31%

# **School Achievements**

#### Winners for the Young Writer's Gala:

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Prose: } 1^{st} \mbox{ place} - \mbox{Mary Harrington} \\ 2^{nd} \mbox{ place} - \mbox{Kaylee Holcombe} \\ 3^{rd} \mbox{ place} - \mbox{Jamileth Morales-Osorio} \end{array}$