

## School Achievements

**Ewing's Lego Robotics won 1<sup>st</sup> place at the Gaffney High Competition.**

**Ewing Middle School Lego Robotics Team members:** Adam Bogan, C.J. Cody, Samuel Davidson, Jonas Mabe, Jonathan Morales-Osorio, Hayden Rector, Aubree Rice, and Mrs. Kimberly Martin (Coach)

**Junior Scholars:** Alice Petty, Emily Petty, Mason Phillips

**Ewing's Spelling Bee Winner:** Jake Reynolds

**Ewing 1<sup>st</sup> Place Science Fair winners:**

- **Biology** – Alexis Jones, Bailee Mullinax
- **Chemistry** – Jake Duckett
- **Behavioral Science** – Adam Bogan, Noah Fowler, James Foster
- **General Science** - Randon Hannon, Jake Reynolds, Clay Short
- **Physical Science** – C.J. Cody

**Jake Duckett received Honorable Mention at the Regional Science Fair**

Mr. Brandon Watkins is **Ewing's 2019-2020 Distinguished Literacy Teacher of the Year.**

Ms. NancyJo McConnell was the **Ewing 2018-2019 Teacher of the Year.**

Mrs. BillieAnn Perry was **Ewing's 2018-2019 Support Staff of the Year.**

Mrs. Cantrell was awarded a **\$7,500 grant from the SC Arts Commission.**

Ewing teachers were awarded numerous **Donor's Choose grants.**

Mrs. Schrak was awarded a **S.C. Council on the Holocaust \$1000 grant** to bring the Anne Frank House traveling exhibit to Ewing.

**College & Career Readiness visits** to BMW, Outback Steakhouse, Clemson University, Limestone College, Spartanburg Community College (Cherokee Campus & Spartanburg Campus), and USC Upstate

## John E. Ewing Middle SIC Members

Chair: Mrs. Salli Petty

Ms. Autumn Cole

Mrs. Lorrie Davidson

Mrs. Kelly Davis

Mrs. Casie DeRuvo

Mr. Michael Petty

Mrs. Gloria Sherman

Mrs. Tara Tucker

Mrs. Carol Gallman

Mrs. Margie Lambright

Mrs. Gina Scruggs

Mrs. Jane Waters

Ex-officio: Dr. Denise Wooten

## 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" 2019-2020



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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 home-school relations by a percentage point each year from 2014-2019.

The students of John E. Ewing Middle School will exceed state average on percent of students scoring Met and Exemplary on all areas of standardized testing by 2019.

## Student Achievement

In 2017, the SC Ready assessment was given to evaluate students in the areas of Reading, English, Mathematics, and Writing. The scoring levels for SC Ready are: Exceeds, Meets, Approaches, and Does Not Meet. The South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (S.C. PASS) was the state's accountability measurement of student achievement for science and social studies. S.C. PASS has three scoring levels: Exemplary, Met, and Not Met.

## Test results for the 2018-2019 school year

SC Ready	% Exceeds or Meets	
	English	Math
Ewing	37.5	33.4
Cherokee	39.4	37.4
State	45.4	45.1

SC Ready	% Exceeds or Meets	
	English	Math
Grade 6	38.1	54.8
Grade 7	38.5	19.7
Grade 8	40.9	28.7

SCPASS	% Exemplary or Met	
	Science	Social Studies
Ewing	43.6	64.8
State	49.1	67.6

SCPASS	% Exemplary or Met by Grade	
	Science	Social Studies
Grade 6	43.6	
Grade 7		64.8

87% of Ewing students passed the **Algebra I End-of-Course Exam.**

100% of Ewing students passed the **English I End-of-Course Exam.**

## 2018-19 Survey of Teachers, Students, and Parents

	Teachers	8th grade students	parents of 8th graders
# of surveys returned	30	105	39
% satisfied with learning environment	83	78	85
% satisfied with social and physical environment	83	84	82
% satisfied with school-home relations	43	80	81

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

Prose 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Emily Petty  
 Prose 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Hanna Blackwell  
 Prose 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Chloe Beaty

Poetry 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Dawson Mathis  
 Poetry 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Laila Allen  
 Poetry 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Aubree Rice