School Achievements

Junior Scholars: Jacob Benton, Makenzie Hudson, Leticia Lopez-Soto, Trent Phillips, Amiyah Santana, Jase Ussery

Ewing's Spelling Bee Winner: Leticia Lopez-Soto

Coach Mitch Rice was named as the Division 2 Foothills Conference COACH OF THE YEAR in football.

The Ewing Middle School Football Team was Division 2 Footbills Conference Champions.

Coach Anna McGee was named as the Division 2 Foothills Conference COACH OF THE YEAR in volleyball.

The Ewing Middle School Volleyball Team was Division 2 Foothills Conference Tournament Runner-Up.

Mr. Zachary Gilliland - Ewing's 2023-2024 Distinguished Literacy Teacher of the Year and the District Literacy Teacher of the Year.

Mr. Michael Price is Ewing's 2022-2023 Teacher of the Year.

Mrs. Gina Scruggs is Ewing's 2022-2023 Support Staff of the Year.

Mrs. Jennifer Cantrell was awarded the Schools Arts Support Grant from the SC Arts Commission.

Ewing Middle School Honor and Jazz Bands received Excellent Ratings at the Music in the Parks Festival in Orlando, Florida. Our Jazz Band won 1st place and Concert Band won 2nd place.

Ewing Middle School also had a student, Luke Harrington, in the SCBDA region band.

Ewing Middle Choir received a \$1,000 grant from the Peter R. Marsh Foundation and a \$2,475 grant from the SC Arts Commission.

Ewing Middle School had one student, Emily Starr Sichette, who made a perfect score on SC READY Math.

Ewing Middle School had three students who made a perfect score on the Algebra I EOC: Emily Starr Sichette, Jamileth Morales-Osorio, and Gavin Spencer.

John E. Ewing Middle SIC Members

Chair: Ms. Nancy Jo McConnell
Mr. Tommy Robbs
Mr. Zachary Gilliland
Mrs. Tara McCurry
Mrs. Denise Martin
Mrs. Amy Spencer
Ex-officio: Dr. Alan Ruppe

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."

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2023-2024



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At Ewing, our administrators, teachers, and staff will collaborate daily to encourage, inspire, build self-worth, and assist in the growth of every child.

At Ewing, we strive for each student to feel safe at school, have a positive middle school experience, reach his or her academic potential, develop traits of high character, and acquire the academic skills necessary to be successful leaders in our community.

At Ewing, we will work to develop the whole child and will prepare our students for high school, college, career, or the military.

At Ewing, it is our ultimate goal that each student leaves our campus daily knowing he or she was cared for and that we committed our full attention to his or her success.

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 2022-2023 school year

SC Ready

	English	Reading	Math
Ewing	37.6%	43.3%	17.5%

SC Ready

	English	Reading	Math
Grade 6	35.9%	39%	16.9%
Grade 7	40.9%	46.4%	20.3%
Grade 8	38.1%	44.4%	16.7%

SC PASS

Grade 6	Science
Ewing	24.5%

School Achievements

Ewing Middle School Winners for the Young Writer's Gala:

8th Grade Prose Winners

1st place – Ja'Maurion Dawkins

2nd place – E.W. Crawford

3rd place – Leticia Lopez-Soto

7th Grade Prose Winners 1st place – **Alivia Deruvo**

8th Grade Poetry Winners 1st place – **Jase Ussery** 2nd place – **Brody Gibson** 3rd place – **Malorie Wood**

7th Grade Poetry Winners
1st place – **Zy'Keria Austin**2nd place – **Jeslin Morrobel-Rodriguez**3rd place – **Kendra Scruggs**