

## The Leader in Me

Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year Hammond Hill Elementary began the journey of being a Leader in Me School.

### What is The Leader in Me?

*The Leader in Me* is a whole-school model and process—developed in partnership with educators—that empowers students with the leadership and life skills they need to thrive in the 21st century. It is based on principles and practices of personal, interpersonal, and organizational effectiveness. Distinct in several ways, *The Leader in Me* starts from a powerful premise—every child possesses unique strengths and has the ability to be a leader—which shapes the views of staff to value and develop the whole child. The process integrates leadership development into existing programs, curricula and traditions and serves as a foundational operating system for the school, improving relationships, transforming culture, and highly motivating staff and students. All stakeholders are impacted by *The Leader in Me*, starting with the staff of a school, then expanding to students, their families, and the community at large. This Inside-Out Approach is a key ingredient to successfully creating positive change in a school.

### Why is the Leader in Me Successful?

Four reasons why *The Leader in Me* leadership model works so well are:

- It embodies a different paradigm.
- It works from the inside out.
- It uses a common language—The 7 Habits.
- The implementation is ubiquitous.

## Goal

Due to the pandemic, the SIC felt it was critical to focus on finding ways to encourage the staff of HHE. The SIC in collaboration with the school's administration and PTO planned monthly activities to encourage the staff. The SIC involved the community and students in the plans to encourage teachers.

## Awards

- 2017-2018 Palmetto Silver Award for High Academic Performance
- 2012 National Blue Ribbon School
- 2013 Palmetto's Finest School
- 2011-2012 SIC Dick and Tunky Riley Honor Roll
- Home to three Aiken County Teachers of the Year:
  - 2011 Uyen Griffis
  - 2007 Robin Patterson
  - 2004 Cathy Martin
- Red Carpet Award - 2007 -2010
- Palmetto Gold Award 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015
- Closing the Achievement Gap Award- 2010, 2011, & 2012
- Golden Apple Award Winner - 2019, Uyen Griffis
- Golden Apple Award Winner - 2015, Lorrie Jones
- Golden Apple Award Winner - 2013 Jennifer Harrell
- Golden Apple Award Winner - 2012, Allison Kervin

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**Annual Report to Parents**

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The purpose of this report is to inform community members and parents of the accomplishments and goals of HHE. Included you will find test scores, awards, and programs offered at our school.

Come see why it's great to Bee a Leader at HHE.

Eric L. Jeffcoat, Principal

Elizabeth Rabb, Assistant Principal

## Test Scores

Due to our outstanding staff Hammond Hill Elementary has consistently maintained high ratings on the ESEA/ Federal Accountability Report Card for the past several years. For the 2018-2019 school year the overall report card rating was Good.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic students did not take SC READY or SCPASS during the 2019-2020 school year.

SC READY 2019						
% of students scoring Meets or Exceeds						
	Math HHE	Math District	Math State	ELA HHE	ELA District	ELA State
3rd	68.9	54.4	57.7	59.8	51.1	49.7
4th	69.8	46.5	50.5	67.4	46.8	51.2
5th	54.0	45.3	45.4	49.20	39.2	41.0

SC PASS Science 2019			
% of students scoring Meets or Exceeds			
	HHE	District	State
4th	72.1	54.8	52.0

SC PASS Social Studies 2019			
% of students scoring Met or Exemplary			
	HHE	District	State
5th	76.6	77.3	70.1

## Our Programs and Activities

(During the pandemic some activities were virtual and some were cancelled.)

- ◆ 100th Day of School Celebration
- ◆ 50's Day
- ◆ Art
- ◆ Awards Days
- ◆ Bee a Leader Ceremony
- ◆ Blackboard Connect Electronic Notification System
- ◆ Book Fair
- ◆ Butterfly Release
- ◆ Career Day
- ◆ Classroom Guidance Lessons
- ◆ Computers in each classroom
- ◆ Each student in 2nd-5th grade has their own district owned laptop which they can take home on a daily basis
- ◆ Edmentum
- ◆ Educational Software for Guiding Instruction (ESGI)
- ◆ Father/Daughter Dance (cancelled)
- ◆ Field Day (cancelled)
- ◆ Gifted and Talented Program
- ◆ Grandparents Day (cancelled)
- ◆ Jump Rope for Heart
- ◆ Leader in Me
- ◆ Leadership Day
- ◆ Learning with Leaders
- ◆ Leveled Libraries
- ◆ Math Night (cancelled)
- ◆ Media Center
- ◆ Music
- ◆ Outdoor Courtyard
- ◆ Parent Portal
- ◆ Pet Therapy (cancelled)
- ◆ Physical Education
- ◆ PJs and Pancakes Reading Night (cancelled)
- ◆ Grinch Day
- ◆ PTO
- ◆ Read 180/ System 44
- ◆ Reading Carnival
- ◆ Reading Counts
- ◆ Reading Eggs
- ◆ Red Ribbon Week
- ◆ Reflex Math
- ◆ Running Club
- ◆ Safety Patrol (cancelled)
- ◆ School Ambassadors
- ◆ Service Learning Projects
- ◆ SIC
- ◆ Six Flags Read to Succeed
- ◆ Spelling Bee
- ◆ Spirit Nights
- ◆ Student Intervention Team (SIT)
- ◆ Student Roles
- ◆ Veterans Day Program
- ◆ Wacky Science Night (cancelled)
- ◆ WHHE Morning Show

## Statistics

- Student Enrollment: 662
- Number of Certified Staff: 48

## Vision Statement

HHE: Providing innovative learning today, to ensure contributing citizens for a successful tomorrow.

The HHE School Improvement Council meets monthly. Any interested parents and community members are invited to attend. SIC Meetings are announced during our weekly Sunday updates in the form of a recorded message, email, and text message. They are also posted on our app, school website, Facebook page, and a post on Instagram.

### 2020-2021 SIC MEMBERS

#### Elected Members

- Mrs. Megan Bush - Teacher
- Ms. Thonea Grant - Parent
- Mrs. Cathy Martin - Teacher
- Mrs. Mindy Noe—Parent
- Mrs. Megan Stafford—Parent
- Mrs. Michelle Stevens - Vice-chair, Parent
- Mrs. Danielle Winburn -Teacher

#### Appointed Members

- Mrs. Yolanda McCabe, Community Member
- Mrs. Laurie Reese - Community Member
- Mrs. Dania Staley—Community Member
- Mr. James Wilson - Chair, Community Member

#### Ex-officio Members

- Ms. Tandra Cooks - PTO President, Parent
- Mr. Eric L. Jeffcoat - Principal
- Mrs. Elizabeth Rabb - Assistant Principal