

Jackson Middle School
“A Small school, making BIG steps”

Annual Report to Parents
2010-2011

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Jackson Middle School Mission Statement

Our mission is to successfully guide each child to his or her maximum intellectual, personal, social, and physical development in partnership with the home and community.

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Improvement Needs and Goals for 2010-2011

- 1. Work to eliminate the differences in test scores among our students based on race, gender, and socio-economic groups.**
- 2. Increase parental involvement to promote learning in the home as well as ease the transition from middle school to high school.**
- 3. Strive for every teacher to be certified and highly qualified with the middle school endorsement.**
- 4. Promote increased home/school/community interaction to improve student achievement.**
- 5. Increase test score gains to show that students have progressed an entire grade level.**

Accomplishments for 2010-2011

- Jackson Middle School met AYP for 2010.
- Jackson Middle School improved to “Average” in the Growth Rating and maintained “Average” on the Absolute Rating.
- Faculty and staff participated in staff development opportunities to enhance instruction and success at Jackson Middle.
- Continued improvement in school-wide discipline through positive reinforcements (MAP, good behavior, and A,B honor roll Hops, incentives for improvement on MAP scores, and honor roll recognitions).
- Nicholas Knight was recognized as a Junior Scholar for 2010-2011.
- Eighth grade class went on a College Tour to the University of South Carolina and South Carolina State University.
- At-Risk students taken to Georgia State University, Clark Atlanta University, Morehouse College, bowling, and to an Atlanta Hawks Basketball Game.
- The JMS Concert Band competed in the Charleston Concert Band Festival and received straight Superior ratings.
- Jackson Middle School has three Silver Spirit Marchers, twenty-one students made Aiken All-County Band, eight All Region Band, and one All State Band.
- The PTO sponsored several successful fundraisers for school improvement and staff/student incentives.
- Jackson Middle School had a (PASS Night) to celebrate student success on PASS testing.
- PTO sponsored activities for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- PTO purchased supplies for the school and sponsored the annual Awards Day Ceremony.

Jackson Middle School

Enrollment	320
Number of Teachers	21
School Mascot	Indians
School Colors	Red and Black

From the Principal and the School Improvement Council

The faculty and staff of Jackson Middle School strive to provide a nurturing and inviting environment which fosters strong educational performances for our students. We are dedicated to each individual student reaching their potential through structured educational practices. We encourage our parents to become active participants in the lives and education of their students. With continued support and encouragement from the parents and community students will not only be able to reach their potential, but far exceed it. As a faculty and staff we appreciate the continued support and motivation shown this school year and welcome the participation of those with an interest in enhancing the lives of children.

Earl L. Ishmal III, Principal

The School Improvement Council is a means of assuring the influential voice of parents and community members in the education for the students in our school. This year we have a very active council that met on a monthly basis that helped in planning, monitoring, and evaluating improvement at our school. I would like to give a huge thank you for all involved and for voicing your opinions to make our school the best ever.

Mark Edwards, SIC Chairman

Jackson Middle School has been accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools for year 2010-2011.