

# WELCOME TO OAKBROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL



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**O- Organized**  
**A- Accountable**  
**R- Respectful**

## Our Mission

The Mission of Oakbrook Middle is to educate students to become proficient, responsible and caring citizens by creating a nurturing environment where staff, parents and community work together to provide challenges and opportunities for students to reach their maximum potential.

## Our Vision

Oakbrook Middle School desires to be recognized as a world-class middle school, expecting each student to achieve at his/her optimum level in all areas, and providing all members of our Eagle family with an environment that permits them to do their personal best.

## SIC Annual Goals

SIC's main goal is to increase opportunities for parent communication and involvement in their student's education. To improve parent and teacher communication, SIC and PTSA meetings were held so that parents had input and involvement in their student's education.

## OMS is pleased to report:

- Our Boys Basketball Team won the District Championship and our Volleyball team finished runner-up.
- Our Archery Team finished 7th in the State and Kadence Key finished 8th overall in the Girls Division.
- Mrs. Amy Baldwin, our GTT teacher, was named the PLTW National Teacher of the Year.
- Our Robotics Team swept all categories in the Storm the Citadel Competition.
- Steven Nguyen came in 1<sup>st</sup> place at Oakbrook in the MathCounts Competition and in 21<sup>st</sup> place out of 77 competing students across the Lowcountry.
- Our SIC hosted a Day of Caring in which all stakeholder pitched in to paint a mural in the cafeteria.
- With support from SIC and PTA, OMS held 3 Rise Up Rallies to celebrate positive behavior and grades.
- OMS hosted a successful Reality Town where all students had an authentic experience of the real world. They visited various business booths learning about finances, budgeting, careers, and personal responsibility.
- OMS has 105 PTSA members this year.
- OMS collected \$1,239 for March of Dimes.

## School Improvement Council 2021-2022 Members

### Appointed Members

Jade Howard-Community  
Chris Digby-Community  
Amanda Bukiewicz-Parent  
Kia Barnes-Parent  
Kelly Walker-Teacher

### Elected Members

Bethann Buchanan-Parent  
Teneshia Slempla-Parent  
Kirstie Allen-Teacher  
Beth Isaacs-Teacher  
Ashley Swanson-Teacher

### Ex-Officio

Matthew Legare-Principal  
Marvin Conyers-AP  
Brad Rodgers-AP  
Lauren Rappa-Teacher  
Misty Brewster-PTA President  
Precious Singleton-Financial Secretary

## Oakbrook Enrollment

Male - 53 %      Female - 47 %  
Caucasian - 41%      African American - 40%  
Hispanic - 11 %      Other - 8 %  
Total number of students—1163

## School History

Oakbrook Middle School was established as a result of the increasing population in the Lowcountry. Dorchester District Two is one of the fastest growing school districts in the state. Our enrollment increase averages approximately 90 students per year. Oakbrook Middle School opened during the fall of 1987 with an enrollment of approximately 950 students. We continue to be recognized and awarded as one of the leading middle schools in our state. There is a commitment and bond among the staff that provides a base of support and encouragement. We are proud of what we have accomplished, and we feel strongly that Oakbrook Middle School is a school where *"Students learn to care and care to learn."*

## Our Faculty SOARS

**Grace Lee**

Teacher of the Year

**Kylie Smoak**

Rookie Teacher of the Year

**Amanda Gooch**

Star Performer of the Year

**Abigail Pavlisin**

Counselor of the Year

# Oakbrook Middle School 2021-2022



## School Improvement Council's Annual Report To Parents

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### Principal

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### PTSA Officers

**President**– Farrah Adams

**Vice President**– Glynis Hill-Morrison

**Treasurer**– Chrissy Payseur

Email [oakbrookmiddleptsa@gmail.com](mailto:oakbrookmiddleptsa@gmail.com) for more information about volunteering and joining PTSA.

### Band

**This year we had 5 students earn seats in the SCBDA region four honors band!**

Steven Nguyen- 3<sup>rd</sup> chair flute, concert band  
Jaydin Peters-7<sup>th</sup> chair flute, concert band  
Brianna Flemister- 15<sup>th</sup> chair clarinet, symphonic band  
Daisy Cook- 2<sup>nd</sup> chair bass clarinet, symphonic band  
Jacoby Cabrera- 6<sup>th</sup> chair percussion, symphonic band

### **ARHS/FDHS Band Members**

Hannah Berry  
Isabella Casco  
Daisy (Carson) Cook  
Ka'dreonna Deas  
Caeyln Herndon  
Trevor Pye  
Amelia Spurlock  
Hope Strickland  
Eren Stout  
Giovanni Vega

OMS wants to thank our band directors,  
Kaitlyn Priest and Kylie Smoak for  
doing an outstanding job.

## Spelling Bee Winners

**After 8 rounds at OMS and 46 students to begin with, our winners were.....**

1<sup>st</sup> – Alayna Alverson  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Peyton Krueger  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Johnathyn Kimbell  
4<sup>th</sup> – Zyaire Manigault  
Alternate – Francis Waddell

### STEM

Amy Baldwin, our Gateway to Technology Teacher was chosen as the 2021-2022 Project Lead the Way Robert and Patricia Kern National Teacher of the Year for her extraordinary leadership in the classroom and her profession to empower students to acquire in-demand knowledge and skills through pathways in computer science and engineering.

OMS attended Storm the Citadel and won:

- Eagle Mind Squad's bridge held 275 lbs, Won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Technical, Structural, and Architectural
- 3 Girls with Some Glue's bridge held 50 lbs, won 2<sup>nd</sup> place Structural
- Operation Eagle 7's bridge held 40 lbs, won 3<sup>rd</sup> place Structural
- GTTB – Get To That Bridge – held 20 lbs, won 4<sup>th</sup> place structural

### Reflections Competition District and State Winners

#### **Literature**

First Place - Emma Varrecchione

#### **Photography**

First Place – Alyson Hanna

#### **Art**

First Place - Kennedy Paige  
Second Place – Samantha Santos  
Third Place – Damaris Ortega Baltazar  
Honorable Mention – Airlyn DeWitt

OMS Art student, Sydney Williams, had her holiday card chosen as the official DD2 Holiday Card, and was recognized at a DD2 board meeting.

## Core Values

Each month we have students nominated by teachers for demonstrating one of the DD2 Core Values. The students' pictures are posted in the hallways for all to see, along with the core value they exemplify.

**Students**– *Children come first.*

**Passion**– *Love what you do.*

**Accountability**– *It begins with me.*

**Integrity**– *Doing what is right.*

**Community**– *Stand united.*

**Excellence**– *Be your best.*

**Relationships**– *Build a foundation of trust.*

**Diversity**– *Inclusive to all.*

**Leadership**– *Inspire and empower.*

**Recognition**– *Appreciate and celebrate.*

### Rise Up Flag

Staff and students were nominated for the Rise Up Flag to recognize hard work and dedication to student learning and celebratory moments.

### SOAR Cards and SOAR Store

Students earned SOAR cards for being safe, organized, accountable, and respectful eagles at OMS. Students were able to spend these cards in the SOAR Store, hosted by our PTSA and parent donations to support our students' positive behaviors and recognize their hard work.

### Comeback Kid

Teachers can nominate any student they feel has overcome an obstacle or make a complete 180 in their classroom performance. OMS holds a morning ceremony with the principal where they are served breakfast and OMS community can celebrate their accomplishment.

### Business Partners from our Community

**Thank you for all your support.**

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