



Fort Dorchester High School

School Improvement Council Annual Report to Parents 2020-2021

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MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL TRIPP ALDREDGE

Fort Dorchester High School is preparing all students for college and careers by providing a world-class educational experience. The academic programs of study at Fort Dorchester High School are designed to meet the needs of all students. Our academic offerings include a newly implemented DD2 Virtual Academy, College Prep courses, Early College Credit, Honors courses, AP Studies, International Baccalaureate Program, ECPI, and Credit Recovery. Students are allowed the opportunity to earn transferable college credits through multiple programs. Our Early College program provides students the opportunity to earn a two-year Associate of Arts degree while still in high school with our partnership with Trident Technical College. Our Advanced Placement program continues to grow with more students pushing themselves to take rigorous courses and earn college credits. AP courses give our students more access to a college-focused curriculum. Fort Dorchester High School prepares college-bound students to excel.

Our school strives to mold academic, career, and technical studies while ensuring that every course is challenging and engaging. Students benefit from opportunities in engineering, biomedical science, robotics, computer programming, business entrepreneurship, marketing, sports medicine, and culinary arts. Fort Dorchester High School offers students an extensive selection in the arts to include art, photography, 3D art, media art, piano, chorus, orchestra, band, theater, dance, and steel drums. The Patriot band and fine arts programs are growing and involving more students each year. Our JROTC program is expanding and growing future leaders of our Armed Services. Courses through our partnership with ECPI even offer our students opportunities to earn credentials in computer science and programming. Fort Dorchester High School prepares career-focused students to excel.

We are so proud of the efforts of our students and the dedication of our faculty and staff. This year our school improvement council's focus is "Weathering the Storm" with an emphasis on adaptability and flexibility as we navigate the pandemic. We worked to find ways to celebrate our students and staff while they weathered each storm we faced. This year we focused on trash pick-up on surrounding roadways leading to the school, student designed art murals, school spirit nights at local restaurants, virtual and face-to-face student of the month celebrations, ACE award recognitions for honor roll, and food truck Fridays for the staff. Our goal was to continue to empower and motivate our students and staff as we navigated through this unprecedented year. Our school continues to increase community involvement with events hosted at FDHS.



SIC Members

Tripp Aldredge, Principal
Emily Duplantis, Faculty, Chair
Tyler Christmas, Student
Zolten Osborne, Student
Anjana Kanti, Parent
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Fort Dorchester High School

2018-2019 Overall Rating

**Excellent
68**

School performance substantially exceeds the criteria to ensure all students meet the Profile of the SC Graduate

PROFILE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA GRADUATE



Graduation Rate i

On-Time Graduation Rate



College and Career Readiness i

