

School Improvement Council Annual Report to Parents 2021-2022

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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 "Moving Forward, Shaping Our New Normal" as we adjust, adapt and allow for flexibility in shaping our new normal post pandemic. Our goals were increasing morale and supporting student growth in the areas of college and career readiness. We implemented a new archery program, assisted with hosting a lunch and learn opportunity for students interested in ECPI courses and the field of Cybersecurity, held clean up events around the school, and assisted PTSA during Valentine's Day with distributing treats to our entire student body to encourage, love, and support all students. Recognition of our teachers and students continues through Pride Referral celebrations and Patriot of Month for staff and students. In addition, each month a teacher was selected as the Profesor(a) Picante for their innovation, creativity, and excellence in teaching. We are looking forward to providing community support and feedback for our students participating in the YES Carolina Business Plan Competition. Our school continues to increase community involvement with events hosted at FDHS.



## SIC Members

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## Graduation Rate o On-Time Graduation Rate

