

**Gregg Middle School Annual  
School Improvement Council Report to the Parents  
2021-2022**



**Gregg Middle School Dorchester School District 2**

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**School Motto**

“Success is the ONLY Option!”

**Mustang Strong**

Focus on the positives, no matter the circumstance!

Celebrate every victory when possible!

When facing obstacles, know we will get through them together!

## Principal's Message

This school report will provide you with the continued commitment we have at GMS to ensuring every student we serve will learn in a safe, structured learning environment that promotes student growth, achievement and character development. We know healthy relationship building is the foundation for a safe and successful learning environment. That is why we are constantly working to strengthen partnerships with our parents, business partners, and community members.

- In September, our PTSA dedicated a Blessing Box to support our community members in need.
- In November, several business partners worked with GMS to provide Thanksgiving meals to needing community families.
- In December, ECPI University donated funding to support our growing robotics program.
- In March, we held rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 8<sup>th</sup> grade night to welcome all new students to our campus.

This summer, we will encourage all parents and guardians to continue to use our online registration program to streamline the registration process for a more efficient registration experience. In addition, we will continue to host open house welcome events for our new students.

We are continually focused on college and career readiness by:

- Providing all students with career/college awareness information/interactive lessons led by our guidance staff and business professionals.
- Providing extended academic opportunities during lunch- courtyard and extended afterschool academic enrichment opportunities offered by our Gear Up for Success Afterschool Program.
- Increasing academic/career exposure to all interested students off campus in cooperation with Dorchester County Career School, Ashley Ridge High School Career Programs and Summerville High School Programs.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Erica Roberts ([sunya94@yahoo.com](mailto:sunya94@yahoo.com)) SIC Chair, Don Baus ([donbaus01@gmail.com](mailto:donbaus01@gmail.com)) SIC Chair, or Will Wilson, Principal, at 843-871-3150. The Gregg Middle SIC meets on a monthly basis. All meetings are open to the public, and we cordially invite you to attend. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,  
Will Wilson, Principal  
Don Baus, SIC  
Erica Roberts, SIC

## Goals/Strategies

- 1) Continue to improve school culture and climate among teachers, students and parents to promote collaborative relationships.
  - Plan and provide opportunities for all members of our school community to participate in school events (i.e. Parent Events, Veterans' Day Ceremony, Arts Performances, etc.)
  - Conduct PTSA/SIC board meetings for discussion, input and feedback for improvement.
  - Implement school-wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Support program (PBIS) Mustang STRONG to better serve each student on their grade level.
  - Implement school-wide Capturing Kid's Hearts (CKH) to engage and nurture both students and their communities. Initiation of the Amazon Wish List initiative.
  - Provide opportunities for extra-curricular activities including athletics program, Beta Club, Robotics, Trebuchet team, Quest team, etc.
  - Set academic goals and teach character education during our Mustang Minutes program for all students while exposing all students to career and college readiness opportunities with an assigned mentor - Mustang Minutes.

### Secondary Outflow Goals:

- 2) Increase performance rates and growth of all students on state and local assessments to promote on-time graduation
  - Develop student placement plan that is flexible based on assessment data (MI/RI, MAP, SC Ready, SCPASS, grades) and social/emotional needs.
  - Support teachers, students, staff and parents on the transition from MI/RI to MAP data collection measures.
  - Provide for use of technology during interactive lessons to increase student engagement. Devices include student laptops, graphing calculators, digital microscopes, iPods, Interactive Flat Panels, Edmentum, document cameras, Chromebooks, etc...
  - Increase student opportunities for enrichment in reading and math (Read 180, Math 180, Dimension U, Compass, Gizmos and an Afterschool Program)
- 3) To provide the students at Gregg Middle School with the highest quality education possible
  - Recruit, hire and retain diverse teachers that are middle-level certified, and GATE endorsed.

## 2021-2022 GMS Accomplishments

### GMS Mustang Chorale

The Mustang Chorale was selected by audition as the featured middle school choral honor ensemble for the South Carolina Music Educators Association Conference and was featured in a full performance set on February 4, 2022 receiving a standing ovation and enthusiastic applause.

### The Mustang Chorale 2021-2022

#### Soprano

Peyton Barton, Isabelle Berger, Kaitlyn Cordoza, Adalie Green, Addison Holley, Sherry Hughes, Daniel Johnson, Ma'Kayla Matthews, Sophie Michalski\*, Abigail Napoli, Izabella Nelson, Landen Piscitelli\*, Paige Smith, Savannah Stephens, Tayler Sweat, MacKenzie Warren

#### Alto

Ava Bridgeman, Mia Cardona, Cydney Campbell\*, Leyla Churakova, Peyton Coleman, Abigail Daniels, Lily Edwards, Caroline Hill, Emily Hinerman, Richlyn Hudson, Evangeline Jeter, Ta'neya Johnson, Alaina Kincaide, Elise Norman-Frost, Madison Pomeroy\*, La'Zaria Roland, Emily Shipp, Amerika William, Taylor Young

#### Cambiata/Tenor

Christian Bord\*, Brady Coryell, Lana Davis, Hayden Gibbons-Hawkins\*, George Hinerman, Nadia Ilardi, Jacob Mendoza, Ezekiel Panter\*

#### Baritone/Bass

Logan Boyea, Jesse Hoebee, Enoch Jeter, Elijah Lewis\*, Ryan Machovina, Thomas McCullum, Joss Oppold\*, Michael Silky, Aaron Traeger, Zanarius White

\*Denotes section leader

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Twelve 6th Graders got to make their professional debut with Taylor Festival Choir, an internationally acclaimed chamber choir based in Charleston, SC. They performed *Everyday Wonders: The Girl from Aleppo* with performances in Summerville in March 26th and Charleston on March 27th.

Aubrey Chittester, Jackson Cook, Kaylie Dole, Gabriella Giannndrea, Ariel Grubert, Isabella Henson, Maeven Moreno, Penelope Mosley, Reid Rafferty, Quitin Smith-Davis, Lily Stanley, Annabelle Wildrick

### **GMS Orchestra**

#### **SCMEA Orchestra Division Concert Performance Assessment**

Excellent Rating and Performing Grade I Music

#### **SC Band Directors Association Region IV Band Members**

Tegan Aitken  
Annabel Carman  
Sydney Cooke  
Nicholas Hatmaker  
Evan Schiefelbein  
Kacie Truluck

#### **SC Band Directors Association Concert Performance Assessment**

Excellent Rating

#### **Project Lead the Way/VEX Robotics**

##### **Judges Award**

VEX Robotics Rise from the Ashes Competition  
William Ackerman, Ayden Ray, Evan Terry, Riley Wildrick  
Kristina Riley

##### **State Qualification**

VEX Robotics  
William Ackerman, Kadence Arnold, Ayden Ray, Cayden Ray, James Salek, Ellis Smallwood, William Stokes, Evan Terry, Riley Wildrick  
Kristina Riley

##### **Global Innovation Award**

LEGO Robotics – Mechanical Mustangs

Alesia Bireescu, Rhys Brennan, Morgan Crawford, Lana Davis, Nicholas Hatmaker, Chloe Heaton, Hayden Jarrett, Nathan Nevin, Landen Piscitelli

Susan Baus, Amy Bower, Sean Brennan, Trina Brennan, Shane O'Reilly, Kristina Riley

**State Qualifications**

LEGO Robotics – Mechanical Mustangs

Alesia Bireescu, Rhys Brennan, Morgan Crawford, Lana Davis, Nicholas Hatmaker, Chloe Heaton, Hayden Jarrett, Nathan Nevin, Landen Piscitelli

Susan Baus, Amy Bower, Sean Brennan, Trina Brennan, Shane O'Reilly, Kristina Riley

**State Qualifications**

LEGO Robotics – Mechanical Mustangs, Juniors

Mateus Duarte, Jackson Godfrey, Haven Griffin, Owen Hanley, Preston Javorka, Jackson Newsom, Bryce Tucker

Susan Baus, Amy Bower, Sean Brennan, Trina Brennan, Shane O'Reilly, Kristina Riley

**1<sup>st</sup> Place**

USC College of Engineering and Computing VEX Competition

Pacey Coyle, Tristan Oxborrow, Chad Wightman

Kristina Riley

**Design Award**

USC College of Engineering and Computing VEX Competition

Chloe Heaton, Isabel Hondal, Cecilia Jackowski

Kristina Riley

**South Carolina Junior Scholars**

Eighty 8<sup>th</sup> grade students testing under the PSAT program. The following students were awarded Junior Scholars:

Richlyn Hudson, Addison Knight, Jeffrey Kraichely, Hannah Mazzell, Melissa Ngwane, Cayden Ray, Zander Sieg, Emmerson Smith, and Cole Thomas

\* Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many competitions were cancelled for the 2020-21 school year.



**Classified Employee of the Year**

Willie Fields

**Teacher of the Year**

Julia Solustri

**Rookie Teacher of the Year**

Jamal Lucas

**Gregg Middle School SIC Members**

**Co-Chairs**

Don Baus

Erica Roberts

**Teachers & Staff**

Susan Baus

Carlo Jimenez

Kaylee Case

Joseph Golden

Tabitha Hattabaugh

Shane O'Reilly

Julia Solustri

Darci Teerhar

Joseph Golden

**Community Members**

Don Baus

Erica Roberts

**Guidance**

Ophelia Gillens

Byron Wilson

**Principal**

Will Wilson

**Assistant Principals**

Trey Hodges

Alice Kelley

Beth Stillinger

**GMS Vision**

The Gregg Middle School Community will provide a safe, structured learning environment to promote high expectations for student achievement and character development to achieve success.

**GMS Mission**

Gregg Middle School exists to provide an environment that is safe and conducive to learning. Together, every day and in every way, we will help all students reach their full potential in all aspects of learning.

**Purpose of the Report**

This Report is issued by the Gregg Middle School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.