

Purpose

South Carolina statute (Act 135 of 1993) requires School Improvement Councils to report to parents by April 30 each year the progress the school is making to achieve the goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan. It is a report unique to each school developed by the council to share the challenges and successes of the school, students, parents, and teachers for the current school year.

Harleyville-Ridgeville Middle School

Harleyville-Ridgeville Middle School is located twenty minutes from Charleston, South Carolina, in Dorchester County. There are currently 199 students enrolled in grades 6-8. Our HRMS family also includes approximately thirty faculty and staff members. The family atmosphere of our rural community nurtures and maintains an environment of continuous learning. The nurturing and caring environment that our teachers foster for our students plays a large role in our success. Teachers have a profound understanding of the individual needs of their students. Teachers have high expectations for our students and therefore have high expectations of themselves in terms of creating a positive learning environment and delivering high quality instruction on a daily basis.

Title I /Parental Involvement

Parents can help ensure their child's success at H-RMS by doing the following:

- Participating in Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Sign Up for Remind 101
- Attending PTSA/SIC Meetings
- Volunteering
- Using Parent Portal/Teacher Websites
- Attending IGP Conferences
- Checking Student Agenda Daily



TAP Overview

Harleyville-Ridgeville Middle School embarked on a new journey last year as a [TAP](#) school. The ultimate goal of TAP™ is to raise student achievement.



TAP Student Achievement Goals

- Assess specific needs of students in English Language Arts and mathematics to determine ongoing interventions according to the progress of the students.
- Based on 2012-2013 PASS Reading test results, by May 2014, the school will decrease from 6.74% Not Met 1 to 4.49% which represents a decrease from 12 students to 8 students; decrease Not Met 2 from 16.3% to 10.7% which represents a decrease from 29 students to 19 students; decrease from 41.6% Met to 34.8% which represents a decrease from 74 students to 62 students; Exemplary 4 will decrease from 16.9% to 9.6% which represents a decrease from 30 students to 17 students; and Exemplary 5 will increase from 18.5% to 22.47% which represents an increase from 33 students to 40 students.

School Improvement Council Members 2013-2014



LaShawna Rivers, Principal
Ruth Mims, Assistant Principal
Vernetta Simuel, Guidance Counselor
Josephine McNeil, Curriculum Specialist
Selena Keitt, TOY
Michelle Bloom, RTDY
George Martin, TUW Community Member
Lorraine Bradley, Community Member/ Parent
Edward Mondo, Parent
Dowanda Bryant, Parent

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**"Where Students Enter to Learn,
and Leave to Achieve!"**

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Mission

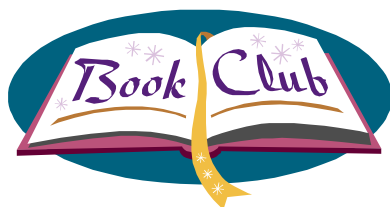
The mission of Dorchester Four is to develop life-long learners who will have a positive impact on our global world.

Vision

The vision of the Dorchester School District is to be an exemplary District where all students reach their maximum potential with the support of the District, home, and community.

Clubs/Organizations

- Spanish Club
- Soccer Club
- Basketball Club
- Outdoors Club
- Handy Hands Club
- Anime Club
- Math Club
- Robotics Club
- Dance/Step Club
- Choir
- Book Club
- Home Economics



Teacher of the Year

Rookie Teacher of the Year

Selena Keitt is the current 2013-2014 Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Keitt is the 8th grade and English I Teacher at H-RMS. She also serves as Grade Level Chair for the 8th Grade Team, and a Mentor Teacher in the TAP program. Her educational background consists of a Bachelor Degree in Education from Claflin University, Master's Degree in Education from Southern Wesleyan University. She enjoys traveling, reading, and spending time with the family. Mrs. Keitt believes that all students are capable of learning and works to ensure their success!

Michelle Bloom is the current 2013-2014 Rookie Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Bloom is the 8th grade Math and Algebra I Teacher at H-RMS. Her educational background consists of a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from Kenn State University. Mrs. Bloom enjoys arts and crafts and spending time with her family. Her long terms goal consists of perusing a Master's Degree in Administration/Curriculum Development. Mrs. Bloom is determined to make a difference in the lives of our students.

Academic Achievement

PASS Writing 2013

Grade Level	Percent Students Tested	Percent Scoring "Not Met"	Percent Scoring "Met"	Percent Scoring "Exemplary"
6 th Grade	62	22.6%	48.4%	29.0%
7 th Grade	62	29.0%	45.2%	25.8%
8 th Grade	60	18.3%	60.0%	21.7%

PASS English Language Arts 2013

Grade Level	Percent Students Tested	Percent Scoring "Not Met"	Percent Scoring "Met"	Percent Scoring "Exemplary"
6 th Grade	63	28.6%	47.6%	23.8%
7 th Grade	63	22.2%	50.8%	27.0%
8 th Grade	63	44.3%	36.1%	19.7%

PASS Mathematics 2013

Grade Level	Percent Students Tested	Percent Scoring "Not Met"	Percent Scoring "Met"	Percent Scoring "Exemplary"
6 th Grade	63	38.1%	41.3%	20.6%
7 th Grade	63	47.6%	31.7%	20.6%
8 th Grade	62	33.9%	59.7%	6.5%

PASS Science 2013

Grade Level	Percent Students Tested	Percent Scoring "Not Met"	Percent Scoring "Met"	Percent Scoring "Exemplary"
6 th Grade	30	30.0%	63.3%	6.7%
7 th Grade	63	25.4%	47.6%	27.0%
8 th Grade	30	33.3%	43.3%	23.3%

PASS Social Studies 2013

Grade Level	Percent Students Tested	Percent Scoring "Not Met"	Percent Scoring "Met"	Percent Scoring "Exemplary"
6 th Grade	33	33.3%	57.6%	9.1%
7 th Grade	63	34.9%	36.5%	28.6%
8 th Grade	32	25.0%	46.9%	28.1%

Programs/ Organizations

Highlights

- Extra Help Sessions: Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturday School Attendance
- Student Incentive Program
- High School Credit Opportunities: Algebra I, Computer Applications, English I, and Spanish I
- Red Ribbon Week Activities
- Parent Portal/Alert Now Communication Software/ Teacher Websites/ Remind 101
- Family Events: Sixth Grade Orientation, Parent Transition Orientation, Band Concert, Literacy Night, Open House, Math and Science Night
- Participation in B-Team Sports (7th and 8th grade)
- Attendance Intervention, SIT & RTI Teams
- Career Day/Job Shadowing
- Lego Robotic and Spelling Bee
- School Counseling/IGP/ Classroom Guidance
- READ 180/Math 180
- Study Island Lab/ i-Civics
- TUW Day of Caring / Junior Achievement
- Relay for Life
- GATE (Gifted and Talented)/ IPAD Implementation
- Jr. Beta Club
- TAP
- SIC/PTSA

