#### J-E-I MIAdle School

1095 Columbia Rd. Johnston, SC 29832



# Letter from our Principal

Greetings from J-E-T Middle School - a student-centered community that prepares learners for the challenges of the future with an emphasis on skills necessary for success at the high school level. J-E-T Middle School promotes PRIDE – Personal Responsibility in Developing Excellence and the students and staff begin each day by reciting our school creed and reminding each other to exhibit PRIDE while practicing the 3 R's – Respect, Responsibility, and always being Ready to Learn. We have established a digital PRIDE notebook for every student to monitor his or her weekly progress and to set goals on a weekly basis.

J-E-T offers a plethora of opportunities for students to excel academically, athletically, and emotionally through an emphasis on educating the whole child. Academically, the administrators and teachers have worked to raise the rigor and relevancy of classroom instruction by transitioning into a career and college ready instructional model that includes inquiry, station rotation models, and cooperative learning opportunities where all student needs are met. J-E-T Middle School has established a focus on meeting the needs of all learners as well as implementing inquiry strategies that are used in all classes. We are also an iReady school. In addition to academics, J-E-T Middle School recognizes the importance of meeting the social and emotional needs of our students. The implementation of ReThink Ed Program, development of a strong MTSS team and having an on -site school psychologist and school counselor are just a few ways that we meet the needs of the whole student.

J-E-T offers a variety of middle and high school sports as well as a fine arts department that continues to achieve at the regional and state levels. The students have performed over the past year in our Black History program, Veterans Day program, Spring Concert and Strom Thurmond High School's musical "Aladdin." In addition, we are proud to mention that each year we have students who also win local, district and state writing competitions as well as region and state Mock Trial competitions. Our J-E-T PTO is very active in bringing our school family together through fundraisers such as school dances, Academic celebrations and other school sponsored events. The School Improvement Council is instrumental in creating a vision for ways to bring J-E-T Middle School and the local community together.

We are achieving great things at J-E-T Middle School and invite you to visit our award-winning school any time!

Sincerely, Debbie Courtney, Principal

#### At Johnston-Edgefield-Trenton Middle School, our vision is to create:



*Effective Communicators* who will use verbal, written, artistic, and technological forms of communication to give, send, and receive information.

*Inspired Learners* who are accountable for demonstrating, assessing, and directing their present and life-long intellectual growth.

*Productive Workers* who perform collaboratively and independently to create quality products and services that reflect personal pride and responsibility.

*Responsible Citizens* who have global and multi-cultural perspectives and who take the initiative for improving the quality of life for self and others.

*Resourceful Thinkers* who independently and creatively strive to solve complex problems through reflection, risk- taking, and critical evaluation.

Personal Responsibility In Developing Excellence ... through Respect, Responsibility and always being Ready to learn.



The mission of Johnston-Edgefield- Trenton (J-E-T) Middle School is to be a student-centered community that prepares learners for the challenges of the future. We will provide an academically engaging and relationship building environment that, in three years, produces students who are **Ready for High School.** 

### Creed

We are the students, faculty, and staff of J-E-T Middle School. We take PRIDE -Personal Responsibility in Developing Excellence in ourselves and our school. We come to school each day with the expectation that we will exhibit RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, and always being READY to learn. We honor each other by celebrating our successes, respecting our differences, and supporting our struggles. Together, we accept the challenge to achieve. Together, we are family. Go Eagles!

# **Rethink Ed**

Whole Child, Whole School and Whole Community **Emotional and Mental Wellness** 

Fear and anxiety are widespread throughout schools and have led to increased stress levels in children, teens, and adults. The past four years have heightened a sense of uncertainty and have had a detrimental effect on

the emotional and mental well-being of all. It is important to continue to focus on our physical, emotional, and mental well-being and to work on strategies for helping our students and others build resilience, connectedness, and life skills.

The RethinkEd Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) and Mental Health programs offer professional development modules, K-12 grade-level curriculum, assessments, robust

reporting, and data tracking. RethinkEd provides a comprehensive and proactive solution to support and promote positive mental health. and emotional well-being for our entire community. The curriculum helps students increase awareness and understanding of mental health and mental illness,

encourages the seeking of support and treatment, and fosters the development of critically important social and emotional skills that help to reduce vulnerability to

developing a mental illness, create safe and caring school climates, and form the foundation of mental well-being and success in school and life.

J-E-T Middle School teaches ReThink curriculum three days a week during our morning meetings. The other two days a week are used for students to set goals, check grades, and determine if their goals are being met.

## **Highlights of J-E-T**

\*School Improvement Council \*iReady for Math/ELA \*ReThink Ed \*Reward Pep Rallies \*J-E-T PTO \*Full-Time Nurse Supporting \*Full-Time Resource Officer \*Chromebooks (1 to 1) \*Multiple Grant Recipients \*MTSS for Student Support \*Jr. Scholars

#### **Past recipient of Palmetto's Finest and Palmetto Silver Award**

#### **Classes offered**

Eagle Academy

- Advanced Single Gender
- Inquiry-Based Learning
- iReady Classroom Math

#### Activities

 Music • Chorus / Drama Band Fine Arts Gateway to Technology • PE/Health German

#### **Clubs/Organizations**

 Mock Trial •Math Counts Drama Club Beta Club Student Council •Battle of the Books Boys to Men Tutoring • Fellowship of Christian Athletes(FCA) Project Unify Yearbook Staff • Jewelry Club Robotics Club

#### Sports

Football • Baseball • Basketball Soccer • Softball • Volleyball • Tennis • Cheerleading • Track • Cross Country• Swim • Golf Sporting Clays