

School Achievements



- Boeing MUSC Wellness Grant
 - \$2,000
 - Spearheaded by Ms. T. Smith
- Donor's Choose Grant funded
 - classroom rug
 - Ms. Nakeisha Lacy
- My First Library
 - 5 K students will receive library books
- Delmae Baseball League Donation
- Savannah Grove Community Action League Donation
- Ruiz Grant Recipients
 - "Caring Closet"
 - Ms. Julia Ammons
 - Classroom Library
 - Ms. Alexandra Sirbu-Green
- Taylor's Garden Shop
 - Christmas Decorations Donations
- Forest Lake Greenhouse
 - Planted Ceramic Containers for Front Entrance
- Various other community donations

**EXCELLENCE
IS THE
STANDARD!**

SAVANNAH GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SIC MEMBERS

Latonya Yates-Ford, Principal

Jill S. Fitzkee, Assistant Principal

LaWanda Williams, Chairperson and APT President

Candine Heyward, Secretary

Tasi Kennedy, 2022-2023 Teacher of the Year

Renee Dixon, 2021-22 Teacher of the Year

Johnny Rishmawi, Community Member

Bruce Turner, Community Member

Katrina Taylor, APT Vice-President

Melinda Valenti, APT Treasurer

Brandy Ford, School Counselor

Christal Scott, Instructional/Tech Coach

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT
THIS REPORT IS ISSUED BY THE SAVANNAH GROVE
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.



**Annual School
Improvement Council
2023**

**"REPORT TO
THE PARENTS"**

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of SGES is to educate the whole child by providing engaging, research-based experiences that teach life skills and prepare students to become independent, innovative, and positive contributors to society.

SIC ANNUAL GOALS

Goal 1: Build Community Support

The SIC continues to recognize building community support as an essential key to fostering a positive school climate. The SIC works closely to collaborate with a volunteer network to make certain beneficial partnerships are maintained.

Goal 2: Provide Research-Based Instruction

In an effort to improve student achievement faculty and staff will be provided with professional development opportunities that are easily accessible and transferable to their classrooms. Students will participate in aligned and engaging standardized lessons to prepare them to be successful on in school and on state standardized assessments.

Goal 3: Improve Safety

The SIC is working with SGES to improve the safety for all the students that are served at SGES. We will work diligently to review, collaborate, and provide recommendations to ensure that our virtual and in-person students are provided with high quality instruction in safe and healthy environments.

Savannah Grove Elementary School Student Programs

- Creating Excellence Afterschool
- Title 1 Gator Academy After School Program
- Title 1 Family Literacy and Math Night
- Title 1 Data Talks
- Title 1 STEM Week
- STEM Gator Lab
- STEM Bus visits
- 1:1 Chromebook Laptops
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Discovery Education
- REACH
- Lexia, Dreambox, Big Ideas Math, & Reflex Math, Accelerated Reader, Frax Math, Study Island
- Safety Patrol & Litter Patrol
- Positive Behavior Intervention Supports
- School Wellness Committee and Grant
- 4-H Junior Master Gardener Club
- Staff & Teacher Feature of the Quarter
- Perfect Attendance & Honor Roll Award Ceremony
- SC Ready Gala: "Evening Among the Stars"
- Junior Beta Club (Canned Food Drive)
- Horizons Art Club
- SGES Gators APT
- Garden Club
- Football Club



A Message from the School Improvement Council

The Savannah Grove Elementary School Improvement Council shares in the goal of increasing student achievement. As challenges and needs are discerned, work is continuously done throughout the year to attain that goal. A substantial string of successes have resulted in a more collaborative, welcoming environment conducive to teaching and learning. The perseverance, diligence, and tenacious commitment of the SIC helps shape a vision for fostering academic success benefiting students, families, staff, and the greater school community. During the school year, open SIC meetings are held monthly in the Conference Room or virtually to provide opportunities through which parents and community members can become more involved in the pursuit of excellence. Please join us as we strive towards Successfully Growing Excellent Students.

We have three words for you: We Love You!

Be Great! Be Kind!
Keep Creating Excellence!