

## Eastside High School

# School Improvement Council Report to the Community 2021



## Eastside High School 1300 Brushy Creek Rd Taylors, SC 29687 864-355-2800 greenville.k12.sc.us/eastside

Engaging Minds. Embracing Community.

Consistently Excellent in Academics, Athletics and Arts.

Principal: Tina Bishop

SIC Chair: Andrea Hargette

2019 EHS SC School Report Rating: Excellent

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to highlight the progress made in achieving the goals and objectives of the Five-Year School Improvement Plan (Portfolio) as well as the SIC's annual goals and highlight Eastside High School.

#### 5-Year Plan Goals

Improve End of Course Test Results
Improve SAT, ACT and WIN Scores
Improve Graduation Rate
Increase Graduates Meeting G+ Requirement
Increase Percent of 9th Graders On Track
Increase Number of AP Students
Increase Diversity Among Staff
Increase Feeling of Safety
Increase Caring Environment
Maintain Student Attendance Rate of 95% or higher
Sustain Environment of Supporting Mental Health

#### **SIC Goals**

- Support administration and guidance in forging positive relationships with traditionally underperforming demographic groups, namely Hispanic and African-American.
- Support school goal of sustaining an environment of supporting mental health through a partnership with PTSA.

#### **EHS SIC Members**

Audrey Bass Denia Orellana

Tina Bishop, EHS Principal Stephen Redmond

Kathryn Brooks Onarae Rice

Virginia Crews Janet Robinson

Erik Hansen Elizabeth Santos

Andrea Hargette, SIC Chair William Simkins

Dalton Kelsey Kim Tomkins

Michael Lock Sarah Burke White

Cameron McDowell Bella Wyland

#### What Sets Us Apart

- Finalist for the 2021 SC Dick and Tunky Riley Award for SIC Excellence (one of only five schools in the state).
- Eastside faculty, staff, students and parents truly care about each other.
- We have a wonderful culture of caring, kindness and community.
- Evident in student interactions and inclusiveness of all students as well as staff.
- Students especially come together when serving others.
- When items are found, most of the time students turn them in to an adult.

## Student Achievement (Testing waived for Spring 2020)

#### **End Of Course Exam Results**

**Percent Pass Rate** 



YEAR	ALGEBRA 1	ENGLISH 1	BIOLOGY	US HISTORY
2019	51.0	81.4	75.2	87.3
2018	70.0	84.0	77.0	87.0
2017	85.0	84.2	86.0	80.0

#### **Advanced Placement Test Results**

YEAR	NUMBER OF AP STUDENTS	NUMBER OF EXAMS	% SCORE 3+
2019	491	966	61.1%
2018	512	872	65.0%
2017	521	890	68.5%



#### **ACT College- Ready Benchmark**

#### **Percent of Students Meeting Benchmark Score**

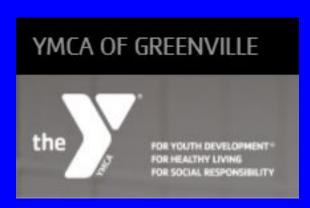
YEAR	ENGLISH	MATH	READING	SCIENCE	ALL 4
2019	67.4	48.6	44.5	41.3	29.8
2018	62.3	40.7	46.6	34.4	23.5
2017	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA



## **Community Outreach Events**

#### **Outreach Events**

- Events for 2020-2021 were cancelled in person due to COVID restrictions
- SIC partnership with PTSA to support school goal of sustaining environment of supporting mental health
  - Support counseling department quarterly outreach to parents, students and faculty
- SIC member representing Eastside YMCA and counselor partnership to boost food provisions for Eastside High School families in need



## Student Leadership

#### **Student Leadership**

Interhigh Council - Four students from each high school serve in Interhigh Council, an advisory panel that meets with Dr. Royster, GCSD Superintendent, once a month. They discuss topics that range from our district's G+ initiatives and transitions from high school to the postsecondary world to concerns about students' mental health and perceptions of their teachers. During the 2020-2021 school year this panel has advised district leadership on items such as prom and graduation changes due to COVID.



#### **Central Spirit and Student Government**

- Student Government members organize and oversee several initiatives throughout the school year to support mental health and Social Emotional Learning.
  - Inspirational quote of the day on announcements.
  - Birthday shout outs on announcements.
  - Food Truck Fridays in student parking lot during lunches.
  - Banners throughout the school to help uplift faculty and students.
- Spirit Week 2020-2021 held in April with social distancing and limited attendance at events.
  - Will raise funds for Downs Syndrome Association of the Upstate.



#### **Achievements**

#### Athletics - Fall 2020

**Swimming:** 21 selected for Ladies All Region; 18 selected for Mens All Region; 14 selected for Ladies All State; 4 selected for Mens All State; Team Region and State Champions for Mens and Ladies; Region Mens and Ladies Swimmer of the Year



Football: 3 selected for All Region; 4 selected for All State

**Cross Country:** 6 selected for All Region; 4 selected for All State; Mens Region Runner of the Year; Mens State Champions

Ladies Volleyball: 4 selected for All Region; Region Player of the Year; SC Player of the Year; 2 selected for All State; Region Team Champions

Ladies Tennis: 2 selected for All Region



#### Athletics - Winter 2020/2021

Ladies Basketball: 1 team member selected for All Region

Mens Basketball: 2 team members selected for All Region

Wrestling: 9 selected for All Region; 9 selected for All State;; Region Team

Champions; State Wrestler of the Year; State Team Champions; 7

**Individual State Champions** 



#### **Athletics - Coaches Awards**

**Swimming:** Region Mens Coach of the Year; Inducted into SC Swim Coaches Hall of Fame; Nominated for National Coach of the Year

**Cross Country:** Mens State Coach of the Year

Ladies Volleyball: Region Coach of the Year

**Wrestling:** Region Coach of the Year

**Ladies Soccer:** Selected as coach for the Clash of the Carolinas

All-Star Soccer Game in Raleigh summer 2021



#### **Beta Club**

- Virtual state competition due to COVID
- 5 First Place Winners
- 18 students in top three
- SC Beta Club Secretary 2021-2022



#### State of SC Beta Secretary Winner David Dinh



2nd Place Candidate Skit





#### **Band**

https://youtu.be/5xRYJnoD1Go

- 8 students All Region Band
- 4 students All County Band
- 4 student All State Callbacks
- 10 Superior Ratings and 1 Excellent Rating at State Solo & Ensemble Competition



#### Chorus

- 15 students participated in the Greenville County School District's Honors
   Virtual Choir
- 1 student selected for South Carolina's All State Chorus for the 3rd year in a row
- 1 student recipient of the 2021 Pleasantburg Rotary Spring Sing Scholarship



#### Orchestra

- 39 entries in SCMEA Virtual Solo & Ensemble
   Festival (over 60 students participated)
- 20 Superior Ratings and 19 Excellent Ratings
- 17 students selected for Region Orchestra
- 14 students selected for All State Orchestra
- 50 members of Tri-M Music Honor Society



#### Speech and Debate

- 13 students placed in top 6 in local tournaments
- 2 students qualified for nationals which will be held June 13 - 19
- Team competed in 5 events during the 2020-2021 season



#### **DECA**

- 26 students qualified for state competition
- 16 students placed in the top 5 at state competition
- 7 students are state champions
- 10 students qualified for national competition
- Organized Thanksgiving food drive
  - Over \$2500 worth of food
  - Fed 88 families complete Thanksgiving meals



#### **Internship Opportunities for Students**

- LaunchGVL
  - Partnership between Greenville Chamber and Greenville County Schools
- SC Works
- SC Tallo







#### **Special Programs**

Eagle Threads - embroidery business managed and run by a special education class; special orders accepted as well as sales of hats, hoodies, etc.

Eagle Screen printing - business managed and run by a special education class, sales of mugs, cups, t-shirts, etc.

Courier service - delivery of packages/boxes managed and run by a special education class, includes signature log sheet for delivery accountability



#### **Special Programs**

Unified Sports District Basketball Tournament - Eastside's special education classes hosted and participated in this annual basketball tournament

Special Olympics - Special education classes compete in local and state competitions at the Special Olympics

Peer Tutoring - Students apply in the spring to serve as peer tutors the next school year. Once chosen to be a peer tutor, a student works with the special education class during one class period. This builds a great rapport with our special education students.

**Special Olympics**South Carolina

## Other New and Exciting Changes

#### Opportunities beyond required classes

- Currently offer 25 Advanced Placement classes
- Currently offer 10 Dual Credit classes
- Career and Technology Education completer pathways offered
- College and Career Readiness certification offered
- New in 2020-2021:
  - AP Seminar
  - AP Computer Science Principles
  - AP Computer Science
- New in 2021-2022:
  - AP Research



#### **Bee Club**

Eastside's Bee Hive has been installed, populated by honeybees and the bees are busy! We also now have a Bee Club. This is a great educational opportunity for the students to see how a honeybee colony works to raise young, collect pollen and nectar, and make honey!



#### **New Athletic Opportunities**

Mens Volleyball - Inaugural season Spring 2020, suspended due to COVID-19, began play again Spring 2021

ESports - Approved during 2019-2020 school year, practices and team meetings began, suspended due to COVID-19, began re-organization in 2021



#### **Teacher Forum**

Opportunity for teachers to meet informally with principal once a month

Teachers ask questions, give feedback and discuss relevant topics

**Optional faculty meetings** 

Held virtually in 2020-2021



#### Personalized Learning

All students at EHS issued Chromebook in August 2019

Essential to eLearning, Virtual classes and Hybrid learning in 2020-2021

Professional Development for teachers focused on balancing eLearning and Face to Face instruction on a hybrid schedule (students attending on various days), Professional Learning Communities and Department Meetings



#### Facility Upgrades

- New Cafeteria Furniture (customized tables)
- New customized trophy cases
- New projector/screen system in auditorium
- Painting and branding in athletic hallways
- New benches for seating inside and outside
- New trash cans with inlays for art displays
- Plans for a new tennis shelter
- Plans for a new band storage building



### COVID-19

#### **Social Emotional Learning**

- Counselors initiative
  - Quarterly sessions for parents, students and faculty
  - Virtual Coffee with Counselors
  - Virtual Professional Development for teachers
  - Google classroom lesson for students
  - Topics include goal setting, healthy relationships, transitions, mindfulness
- Daily announcements
  - Inspirational quote of the day
  - Teacher, Student, Staff Member of the Month
- Thirsty Thursday PD
  - Monthly Professional Development with Instructional Coach
- Administrative Team and PTSA
  - Monthly treats and/or meals
  - Pause Day every quarter (during class an opportunity to make up work and catch up)



#### Logistical Initiatives due to COVID

- Virtual classes offered
  - Approximately 400 students at Eastside as virtual students
  - Most teachers teaching both in person and virtual classes
  - Some virtual students returned to in person in January
- CARES Act Grant for Remediation
  - Before school tutoring for in person and virtual students M-F 7:30-8:30 AM
  - After school tutoring for in person and virtual students M-Th 3:45-4:45 PM
- Auxiliary Gymnasium and several classrooms used as secondary cafeterias to allow for social distancing
- Staggered bell for dismissal of students

