



## HMS Curriculum Focus

- Master schedule that supports faculty/staff professional learning communities
- Retest/redo with “Failure is Not an Option” basis
- 1:1 Chromebooks
- **Technology, Literacy-based, and Performing related arts classes:**

Art

Band

Broadcast Journalism

Chorus

Communications: Podcasting

Computer Tech

Creative Writing

Gateway to Technology Design and Modeling

GTT Computer Science for Innovators

GTT Auto-Robotics

Math Assistance

Reading Assistance

Spanish

Speech and Drama

# Hillcrest Middle School

## Caring, Committed, Connected

*Report to the Parents 2022-2023*



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## Hillcrest Middle School Overview:

Student Enrollment: 998

Number of Certified Staff: 66

Number of Support Staff: 30

Percent of Advanced Degrees: 75.5



**GOLD**

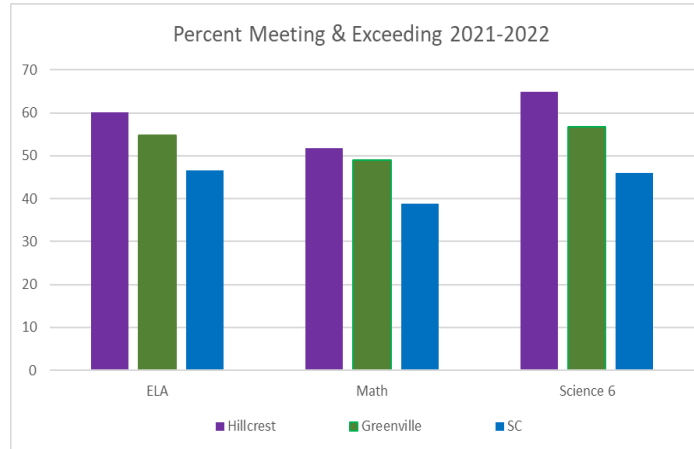
**SC REPORT CARD RATING:  
EXCELLENT**

## Hillcrest Middle School

### Outstanding Features/Programs:

- High School credit awarded for: Honors Algebra I, Honors English I, Spanish I, Advanced Chorus, Advanced Band, Advanced Strings, Advanced Theatre, Advanced Art, Cyber Citizenship, Graphic Design, Creative Writing, Digital Publication Design, Fundamentals of Computing
- Award-winning Fine Arts Programs: Superior with Distinction Band, Superior Chorus, Superior Strings, Visual Arts & Drama
- PAWS (Positive, Affirming, Willing Students)
- Mock Trial
- National Junior Beta Club
- Media Center with over 13,000 books
- Benchmark testing with individual student goal- setting with tiered interventions
- Teacher/Faculty Common Planning & PLCs
- Computer – Application Classes, Journalism
- Community Service Programs/Community Partnerships: Greenville Animal Care Food Drive, United Way Drive, Fall Food Drive, Backpack Blessings, The Springs Assisted Living Facility, Pelham Medical Facility, Kona Ice, Dippin’ Dots, Horace Mann
- Middle School Sports: Basketball, D-team Football, Soccer, Baseball, Volleyball, Softball, HS Wrestling, HS Lacrosse, HS Track, HS Tennis
- Multimedia Capabilities, Promethean Boards in all classrooms
- Student Clubs & Organizations
- Student News Show
- Career Education Programs and Career Fair
- Actively engaged, award-winning PTA Mentor Greenville Program/Mental Health Partnerships
- Peer Tutoring Program
- Special Olympics participation

**Student Achievement:** Our percentages of students scoring EXCEEDING or READY or MET or EX-EMPLARY on SCPASS for 2021-2022 as indicated on our school report card were:



### Overall Highest Growth in Greenville Middle Schools



### Achievements and Honors:

Palmetto Gold Award  
 Excellent SC Report Card Rating  
 Cognia Accreditation: 50 Years of Excellence Award  
 PTA Parent Involvement School of Excellence  
 SCASA School of Promise  
 Palmetto Silver Awards  
 PTA Reflections and GCSD Juried Art Show winners  
 Duke Scholars and SC Junior Scholars  
 Up to \$10,000 in PTA mini-grants awarded to teachers  
 Superior ratings for band and orchestra programs

### Grants received:

State Library Grant  
 Makerspace Grant  
 MENSA Foundation Grant  
 Livewell Greenville School  
 DonorsChoose Grants  
 Innovative Arts Grant/Metropolitan Arts Grant

### Faculty consists of:

GCS Teacher of the Year Runner-Up  
 SC Middle School Counselor of the Year  
 Middle School Counselor of the Year  
 SCASL Paraprofessional of the Year  
 Golden Apple Award Winners  
 Writing Consultant -Low Country Reading Project  
 Published Writers  
 Who's Who Among America's Teachers  
 Greenville County Conservation Regional Winner  
 VFW Post Teacher of the Year  
 Published Illustrator  
 Published Author  
 National Board Certified teachers  
 Upstate Parent: Top Ten Educators of the Year  
 Donors Choose Orkin Award  
 Distinguished Teachers of Reading