

## Our History

Bryson Middle School opened its doors as Bryson High School in 1954 at the old P. Meadors' homestead on approximately 86 acres. In 1970 with the federal mandate for school integration, buildings and student populations had to be re-configured. Ninth graders from Hillcrest High School then attended in Bryson's building, later becoming Bryson Center, while Bryson's seventh and eighth graders joined with Hillcrest Junior High.

In the fall of 1973 and after the building of an additional local high school, Bryson Center changed to a middle school to serve students in grades six through eight. Twenty years later in 1993, Bryson Middle School relocated to its current building, then recently renovated, which had formerly been Hillcrest High School.

Today Bryson Middle School is a regionally accredited public middle school serving grades six through eight. It is one of the largest of the nineteen middle schools in Greenville County with over 981 students and is adjacent to the county's largest high school, Hillcrest High. Our school serves the cities of Fountain Inn and Simpsonville.



## Parent Involvement Opportunities

BMS PTSA    Volunteering    Mentoring

Monthly Parent Involvement Nights

(Meet the Teacher, Open House, Related Arts Fall Festival, Veterans' Program, Chorus/Band/Strings Concerts, Inspiring Excellence/Curriculum Night, Spring Musical, Talent Show, Field Trip Chaperones and Bulldog Dash/ Fun Run)

## School Improvement Council

Melissa Marsh, Chair, Parent  
Dr. Adrienne Davenport, Principal  
Paula Bruce, Assistant Principal  
Denise Lambert, Guidance Counselor  
Mary Cole, 6th Grade Science Teacher  
James Kliewer, 7th Grade Math Teacher  
Heidi Rugg, PTSA President  
Teresa Carson, Parent  
Jennifer Jarvis, Parent  
Dale McMinn, Parent  
William Crawford, Community Member  
Katrina Jones, Community Member  
Leon Hunt, Community Member

## Purpose of the Report

*This report is issued by the Bryson Middle 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.*



## School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2016-2017



## Bryson Middle School

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*Inspiring  
Excellence*

## Celebrate with Us

- ◆ 14 Junior Scholars; 65 Duke TIP Candidates
- ◆ Bryson Middle was named National School of Merit for inclusive induction practices and outstanding participation at the State Convention
- ◆ Junior Beta Club—Bryson Middle was recognized as a National Beta School of Merit for outstanding membership and participation; State Convention winners with 1st place in Tower of Power, Living Literature, Pencil/Pen Sketching; 3rd place in Book Battle and Songfest,
- ◆ Fine Arts Honors: Band with 3 students in All-County; 1 student District One Region Band; Excellent Rating at SCMEA Concert Festival; Chorus with 25 students in All-County Spring Sing Chorus, Participant in annual Rotary Night of Singing, 2016 Six Flags Music Showcase Festival Grand Sweepstakes Champion Strings: Excellent Rating at SCMEA Concert Festival, 4 students in Region Orchestra; 5 Orchestra Students—Superior Rating
- ◆ Clubs—Battle of the Brains; FFA; Bryson Bulldog Pack; Book Club; Chess Club, Coding Club, Gardening Club
- ◆ Service through Student Council for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society; other service and support with the American Heart Association and Backpack Blessings
- ◆ FFA Archery Team—Regional, State and National Participation

## SCHOOL

### IMPROVEMENT GOALS

#### Student Learning /Achievement

Performance Goal: Annually increase by one percentage point students meeting standard in ELA and Math as measured by SC Ready and in science and social studies as measured by the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS).

ELA 43.7% to 44.7%  
Math 34.9% to 35.9%  
Science 70.2% to 71.2%  
Social Studies 76.1% to 77.1%

#### Teacher Quality

Performance Goal: Offer a minimum of twelve hours of professional development in-house on school-wide initiatives.

#### School Climate

Performance Goal: Maintain an annual student attendance rate of 95% or higher.

Performance Goal: Maintain an annual student expulsion rate below 0.5% of the total school population.

Performance Goal: Increase by 0.5 the percentage of parents, students, and teachers who are satisfied with the learning environment.

Parents 88% to 88.5%  
Students 57.1% to 57.6%  
Teachers 55.5% to 60%

Performance Goal: Increase by 0.4 the percentage of parents, students, and teachers who feel that the students are safe at school.

Parents 83.8% to 84.2%  
Students 90.7% to 91.1%  
Teachers 90.7 to 91.1%

## SC School Report Card

Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.

### Spring 2016 SC Ready Scores

	ELA	Math
Sixth	38.8%	36.3%
Seventh	42.6%	34.2%
Eighth	49.7%	34.3%

SC Ready scores reflect percentage of students Meeting or Exceeding State

### Spring 2016 PASS Scores

	Science	Social Studies
Sixth	66.5%	79.9%
Seventh	75.7%	68.4%
Eighth	68.4%	80.1%

PASS scores reflect percentage of students scoring met or exemplary.

### 2015-2016 MAP Scores

	Reading	Math
Sixth	52.9%	55.8%
Seventh	58.5%	64%
Eighth	52%	62.8%

MAP scores reflect percentage of students meeting Growth Targets. Goal scores are expected to be at 50%.