

Student Achievements

- Kaela Cummings and Claudrez Thompson awarded the Certificate of Distinguished Achievement from the American Legion.
- Takira Covington placed in the top ten in the Atlantic Institute Art and Essay Contest.
- Kevin Nguyen and Sophia Delgado Valverde were named Berea Middle School's Advocates for Character and Education winners.

Berea Middle School SIC Members

- Stacy Ashmore, SIC Chairman/Community Member
- Rhonda Felder, Parent
- Bob Whitehead, Parent
- Kenya Deese, Community Member/Reedy Property Group
- Natalia Restrepo, Parent Facilitator
- Maria Johnson, Teacher
- Holly Bryan, Community Member/Prisma Health
- Corey Collington, Berea Middle, Principal
- Steven Sokohl, Assistant Principal

Purpose of the Report

This Report is issued by the Berea 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.

Berea Middle School
Building Relationships, Shaping
Leaders

Annual School Improvement Council

**Report to the Parents
2019 – 2020**



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To provide students with **Success for Today, Preparation for Tomorrow and Learning For a Lifetime**

SIC Annual Goals

The School Improvement Council's goals for the school year were to

1. Raise the academic challenge and performance of each student;
2. Provide a school environment supportive of learning;
3. Increase the percentage of parents, students and teachers satisfied with the learning environment; and
4. Increase the percentage of parents who indicate their child feels safe at school.

Parent and community involvement continued during the school year through

- ↗ Monthly parent workshops provided by the Title I Staff;
- ↗ Several partnerships through Furman University including Furman Tutors;
- ↗ Continuation of the Men and Ladies of Distinction programs;
- ↗ Various community speakers, including a meteorologist, community educators from local organizations, a nutritionist, and medical residents; and
- ↗ Berea Spinners Bike Club partnered with Prisma Health; Harper Corporation; Recreational Equipment, Inc.; Clemson's

Momentum Bike Clubs; and Greenville Spinners.

School Achievements

- ◆ On the 2019 Report Card, the passage rate for Berea Middle School students taking end-of-courses tests was 100% for Algebra I and English I.
- ◆ As a recipient of the OnTrack Greenville grant from United Way, Berea Middle has a student support specialist for each grade level (Communities in Schools); a mental health specialist; Teen Leadership class; Early Warning Response System used to collect student data (Greenville County Schools); school-based health clinic with a nurse practitioner and registered nurse (Greenville Health System); literacy coaches (Public Education Partners); and a six-week camp for rising sixth graders (Building Educated Learners for Life). Evaluation of results of the OnTrack Greenville initiative is conducted by the Riley Institute at Furman University.
- ◆ Tara Olenja was awarded the 2020-2021 Public Educators Partner Building S.T.E.A.M Grant.
- ◆ The Berea Middle Robotics team, Belle Bulldogs won the Judges Award for Excellence. The Hexagons made it to the district semifinals at the GCS Robotics Competition.
- ◆ Berea Middle was selected as one of two schools in Greenville County to receive the Healthy and Ready to Learn grant through Prisma Health.

Additional Information

Berea Middle is a suburban middle school located in the northwest quadrant of Greenville County. Our middle school serves students in grades six, seven and eight. During the 2018-2019 year, the school enrolled approximately 801 students and employed 80 staff members, including professional and para-professional staff.

Significant challenges to Berea Middle School included

- ❖ A transient population, which results in students lacking content not taught before transferring, or repeating content that had already been taught; and
- ❖ Decreased Title I funding which resulted in fewer resources available for professional development and other activities.

Berea Middle School is always looking for additional parental involvement in the school. Parents or any agency who would like additional information about ways in which they could become more involved in the school should contact the school at 864-355-1700.

For more information, you may view Berea Middle School's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov.