## SEVIER MIDDLE SCHOOL

FOCUSED. CHALLENGED. PREPARED.

#### **School Improvement Council Annual Report 2014-15**

## **Challenge & Achievement**

- 1. Engaging Instruction and Assessment
- 2. Culture to Support 21st Century Learning
- 3. Purposeful Use of Technology and Community Resources



**2014 STATE REPORT CARD RATINGS:** 

**S:** 2014

Absolute - GOOD

**Growth - AVERAGE** 

2014 PALMETTO SILVER AWARD 6 of last 7 years 2014 END OF COURSE (EOC) Pass Rate:

English I - 98.8% • Algebra I - 98.4%

2014 NCLB Federal Waiver (AYP): 75.8, "C"

**Annually Meet or Exceed Norm Expectation on MAP** 

#### Science

**Technology** 

**Engineering** 

**Arts** 

Math

# Integrated, multi-content area project-based units Cross-content area challenges and simulations Problem solving and design practices in daily instruction

#### STEAM EVERYDAY

"The arts enhance the process of learning. The systems they nourish -- our integrated sensory, attentional, cognitive, emotional, and motor capacities, are the driving forces behind all other learning" (Jensen, 2001).

Choral Music Graphic Design General Music Percussion Band Strings Orchestra Drama

Art

Visual and

### **Performing Arts**



## DEVICES ALL STUDENTS Fall '15

Expanded learning resources
Engaging presentations
Enhanced motivation and focus
Deeper reach, high quality work
Learning w/o walls, teacher 24/7
Collaboration – ideas and product
Differentiated instruction & testing
Timely assessment and feedback
Access to project mentor

## **Project-Based Learning**



Compelling Challenge In-depth Inquiry Significant Content

21st Century Skills

- Critical Thinking
- Creativity & Innovation
- Collaboration
- Communication

Feedback, Revision, Reflection

**Public Audience** 

#### **TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING**

Design and Model
Automation & Robotics
Energy & the Environment
Green Architecture
Keyboarding
Computer Applications
Desktop Publishing
Google CS First
Robotics Club
In-House Tech Expeditions





SAFE PURPOSEFUL
POSITIVE RIGOROUS
CREATIVE RELEVANT
COLLABORATIVE
ACTIVE CELEBRATING
SUPPORTIVE ATTENTIVE
DISCOVERING STRENGTH

#### 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY LEARNING CULTURE



Enhanced Academic Rigor • College and Career Exploration • Expanded high school offerings at middle school • Prepared for advanced high school focus • Graduate with industry certification, freshman year college coursework, initial courses in college major, year one technical college, and/or apprenticeship.

#### HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT OFFERINGS AT SEVIER BEGINNING FALL 2015:

PLTW - Intro to Engineering Design PLTW - Intro to Computer Science Spanish I Algebra I at Gr. 7 & 8

Art I Keyboarding English I Honors Geometry - Fall 2016

Digital Media Arts Google Applications

#### **ENRICHMENT**

- Skills preview and re-teaching
- Small group support or extra time
- Academic advancement
- Special interest or competition
- Team Building Chemistry Chess
- Cursive Math Challenge Logic
- Service Learning Speech and Debate
- CSI Primary Source Docs Improv
- Youth in Government Technological Design







In December 2015, our School Counselors achieved RAMP certification. Sevier is the first Greenville County middle school to be a Recognized ASCA Model Program.

**Classroom Lessons** Small Group **Student Advocacy and Recognition Individual Educational Counseling Career Exploration Academic Planning & Intervention** 

**Positive Behavior Interventions and Support** 

44,000 signatures over 3 yrs Nearly 25,000 THIS year alone

2014-15: Reduced referrals for classroom disruption by 39%



#### Falcons that Fly with Respect, Integrity, and Responsibility Achieve Excellence

Nationally Accredited, Advanc-Ed • Enrollment 655 • Attendance – 97% • 2014-15 Teacher of the Year: Kevin Duncan • National Board Certified: Ginger Barbare, Anne Bolin, Cheryl Cruell, Brian Falls, Marilyn Murphy

• Outstanding Science Teacher: Morgan McClement • United Way Chairman's Award • 100% Faculty PTA Membership • PTA Volunteer of the Year: Robin Broumas • PTA Top School Support Staff:

Karen Hege • State PTA Goals Award • SIC Chair: Mark Pechin • PTA President: Rita Kirven • Active School Counseling Advisory

Council • Active STEAM Advisory Council • 43 Businesses & Colleges

- Career Fair • 8,789+ Volunteer Hours

#### ACADEMIC HONORS SC PSAT Junior Scholars: Stephen

Ackerman, Hanna Falous, Lauren Best, Cameron Gray, Rachel Broumas, Timothy (TJ) Green, Victoria Chappell, Robert Harris, Corinne Vicario, Caedmon Evans, Maxwell Wascom • Greenville Drive Reading Challenge: 314 students / 72% successful pledges - First in District, Hall of Fame • Top Media **Center Patrons:** Brandon Young (155 books), Katy Tower, Emin Demirkilic, Rodney Buress • National Geography Bee: 1st Place, Zachary Surette; 2nd Place, Jacob Bishop-Pirrone; Zachary to State competition • Mu Alpha Theta MAV Invitational (Math): 3rd Place Team: Lauren Best, Maraya Diamond-Burger, Eric Dietz, Corinne Vicario; Corinne also 4th place Individual • Duke Tip Qualifiers: Grace Brackett, Daniel Harrington, Johnny Nguyen • Academy for Summer Studies Qualifiers: Grace Brackett, Connor Chambers, Daniel Harrington, Libby Harvey, Kevin Le, Coan Luquire, Johnny Nguyen, Dalton Price



Rachel Broumas, Hanaa Falous, Daniela Alvarez, Ethan Rhodes, John Smitherman, Patrick Stone • 6th Grade Grant Winners, Katie's Krops: Shaler Reeves, Emileigh Snow, Katie Lee, Hannah Hand, Patrick Stone, Mitchell Evans, Kaleb DeHart, Madison Street, Chandler Nix, Randall Martin • Youth In Government: Lauren Best, Rachel Broumas, Ansley Edge, Evan Edge, Hanaa Falous, Chet Kolodziejski, Kameryn Miller, Noah Saitz, Josiah Shelley, Corinne Vicario, Imanee Yates, Alexander Southern, Zackary Surette, and Kirsten Smith • ACE Awards: Victoria Chappell and Seth Dawkins • Perfect Attendance 3 years: Jesus Manuel De Los Santos, Tammy Truong, William Piepho since grade 5, Lindsey Wagner since grade 2 • Veterans Day Tribute • Student Council service to Rutherford Rd. Food Pantry & Make a Wish • Beta Club service to United Ministries Soup Kitchen and to Children's Hospital



NW Region, & Greenville County Champions; Softball - Undefeated, NW Region Champions, 3rd in District; All teams including Girls Soccer, Volleyball, Boys and Girls Basketball earned a seed in the County Tournament • Falcon Anglers: Bobby Long caught a 3 lb. bass • Falcon Walking Club: Taelor Larance - 25 miles, Emily Rhea - 20 miles • WHHS Tennis: Emmilou Anderson ranked #2 • GCS MS All-Star Basketball -- Chloe Hiott, James Kirven • Greenville Co. All-Star Youth Football Team: Hayden Wyatt, Hudson Phillips, Evan Greeley, Levi Conway • Special Olympics: earned 11 Gold, 9 Silver, and 8 Bronze medals, and eight 4th Place ribbons



#### ARTS HONORS PTA Reflections:

Literature -- 1st Place, Taliyah Sullivan; 2nd Place, Kirsten Smith; Photography -- Jacob Bishop-Pirrone, 1st Place Sevier, 2nd Place State • GCS Middle School Juried Art Show winners: Caroline Stover, 1st place 3-Dimensional; Hunter Jackson - 2nd place Drawing: Momoko Schmidt - Honorable Mention · Carowinds Festival of Music: Orchestra rated Superior, Chorus rated Excellent • All County Band:

Reese Siglin • Spring Sing: Corinne Vicario, Naomi Cladovan, Grace Brackett, Sara Hammond, Caitlin Spencer, Bentley Clark, Judasha Jones, Jenna Ellenburg, Cassidy Bryant, Samona Whitner, Imanee Yates, Tatiana Mann, Caleb Segar, Nick McAbee, Drake Stambaugh, Sebastian Piguera, Nauleage Corpening, Decivius Williams







**ENGINEERING & DESIGN** 

Robotics Competition: 4 robots qualified and

competed at State, with many Regional awards.

Regional Tournament Champs at Chapin · Shives Rankin, Noah Haughton, James Stegall, Ethan Rhodes, & "Cornelius" won a MS Excellence Award • TJ Green. Matthew LaPenna, MacKenzie Clinch, & Noah Grashius took "#Bubbles" to the State Tournament

· Halie Ward, Mackenzie Clinch, Lydia Flackett, & Grace Brackett & "#Bubbles" won the MS Excellence Award at Indian Land • Skylar Wolf, Matthew LaPenna, & Noah Grashius won the Design Award at USC Gateway to **Technology Competition** • Grace Brackett,

Lydia Flackett, Lauryn Clark, EcoBox 1.0 --1st place; and Zane Brown, Sparkle -- 2nd place at the 7th Grade Innovation Station









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