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2022-2023 SIC Report to the People

2022 Teacher of the Year

#### Principal's Message

Our 2022-2023 theme is "Good, Better, Best! Never Let it Rest, Until Your Good is Better and Your Better is BEST!" This year, we continued to focus on student growth, the social-emotional needs of students and staff, and professional growth of all staff members. Below you will find a list of this year's initiatives/strategies for continuous improvement:

- 1. **Intervention** a 60 minute intervention period is included in each student's daily schedule. During intervention time, students work on improving identified skills of need through their IReady Individualized Learning Pathway.
- 2. **Arts Integration and STEAM** Arts integration is an approach to teaching and learning through which content standards are taught and assessed equitably in and through the arts. The Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM provides ongoing and individualized professional learning and instructional resources.
- 3. **EMS House Academic and Behavior Houses** staff promote positive behaviors and academic engagement and growth through grade level competitions & celebrations.
- 4. **College and Career Readiness-** we continue to partner with SC State 1890 Research & Extension, Voorhees University, Communities in Schools and other businesses to provide college and career exploration activities. Some of the opportunities include field trips, guest speakers, informational resources, etc....
- 5. **Family Nights-** this year families were invited to participate in several informational evening sessions ---- Literacy Night, Winter Program, and SIC Nights. Our students did a phenomenal job leading some of those sessions.
- 6. **Grants-** we were able to attain a few grants this year to extend learning opportunities for students. The grants include, Recycling Grant, SC Gardening Grant, Hargray STEM grant, and our local Rotary Club grant.

The initiatives listed above help us to meet the academic, social-emotional, and physical needs of our students. We look forward celebrating this year's growth during the 2023-2024 school year. Thank you to all families, community members, colleges/universities, businesses and organizations for your partnership in helping to provide valuable learning experiences for our students.

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Public Safety College & Career Development Day









Technical College of the Lowcountry Educational Talent Search

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# **Staff and Student Wellness Activities**





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