

## **Continued Excellence**

For the 2020-2021 school year, Wren Middle School maintained a rating of EXCELLENT on the annual South Carolina School Report Card due to state testing not being performed during the 2019-2020 school year (Covid-19). This distinguished mark acknowledges our school's performance "substantially exceeds the criteria to ensure all students meet the Profile of the SC Graduate."

Even through all of the Covid protocols and learning obstacles, this has once again been an amazing year for our students academically. Students continue to perform well on state and national assessments. This year we had 17 Junior Scholars based on how well they scored on the PSAT. Many schools struggle to have one Junior Scholar, but we are fortunate to have 17 this year. This really exemplifies the high academic standards we have for students at Wren Middle School.

On top of strong academics, what really sets Wren Middle School students apart is how well-rounded they are with extra- and co-curricular activities. This is exemplified by our four students that were selected to the all-region band. Also we had 22 band entries for the solo and ensemble competition.

*"To view the entire report card for Wren Middle School for the 2020-2021 school year, look for the "REPORT CARDS" section on the South Carolina State Department of Education website. [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov)."*

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## **Wren Middle School SIC Members**

*Lacey Anderson- Chair  
Jennifer Opper  
Steve Crowe  
Christine Economou  
Donna Moore  
Angela Tarbutton  
Jon Shoffstall*

### **Purpose of the Report**

*"This Report is issued by the Wren 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."*

## **Wren Middle School Annual SIC "Report to the Parents" 2020-2021**



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### **Mission Statement**

*Wren Middle School will ensure all students achieve high levels of academic mastery and personal growth through collaborative learning communities.*

### **Vision Statement**

*The Wren Middle School community is committed to being a top-performing school where all students are held to high expectations in preparation to lead and serve in a global community.*

## **SIC Annual Goals**

Goal 1: Wren Middle School will continue to maintain above average test scores on both the SCReady and SCPass and secure a score of EXCELLENT once again on the State Report Card.

Goal 2: Wren Middle School will seek to become a Gold Award winning school through the SC Dept. of Education's Palmetto Gold and Silver School Awards.

Goal 3: The SIC will help support Wren Middle School with the implementation of Covid-19 safety protocols by providing insight and feedback to school personnel in hopes of providing the safest learning environment possible and limiting the number of students quarantined.

The SIC plays an important advisory role in the accomplishment of the above goals. The variety of input that the SIC provides is useful in making important decisions. Perspectives from inside the school (teachers and administrators) meet with perspectives of those outside the school (parents and community members). Together we discuss goals, allocation of resources, policies and procedures and direction and vision for Wren Middle School.

## **Student/School Achievements**

2020-2021 was an outstanding year at Wren Middle School. Our students and faculty have been recognized for their accomplishments and our school continues to stand out as one of the best in the state.

### **Awards and Accomplishments:**

1. The Wren Middle School Basketball C-Teams (Girls and Boys) both made the finals in tournament play. *This was the Boys 4th straight trip to the finals.*
2. The Wren Middle School Football C-Team had another great year as they narrowly lost their last game, which was their only defeat of the year.
3. Katie Kilborn, Alli Sielicki, Jillian Swire-Clark, and Sarah Grace Turner were all selected for the Region 1 Honor Band. Jillian Swire-Clark was selected to be the first alternate for the All-State Band, as well.

### **WMS Support Staff Member of the Year**

Deanna Irby, Bookkeeper, was awarded the "Support Staff Member of the Year" for Wren Middle School for the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Irby has served Wren Middle School and the community for over 25 years. She has poured much love and kindness into our

students and staff during this time! Though Ms. Irby is excellent at her job title "Bookkeeper", she does much more than that for our students and staff, including being the local historian and advisor. Ms. Irby has a "heart of gold" and we have certainly been blessed by her many years of service (with many more to come)!

### **WMS Teacher of the Year**

Kristee Brady, 6th Grade ELA Teacher, was awarded the "Teacher of the Year" for Wren Middle School for the 2020-2021 school year.

Ms. Kristee Brady was recognized by her peers for her passion for helping students and creating engaging lessons. Ms. Brady has great energy and enthusiasm for teaching and this is reflected in her students eagerness to learn and thrive in her classroom!

The love Ms. Brady shows towards her students and her craft are evident everyday. She is constantly searching for creative ways to reach her students and provide them a way to collaborate and work together in learning. Her dedication to her students is evident everyday. Wren Middle School is so fortunate to have such a creative, loving, and caring teacher for our students!