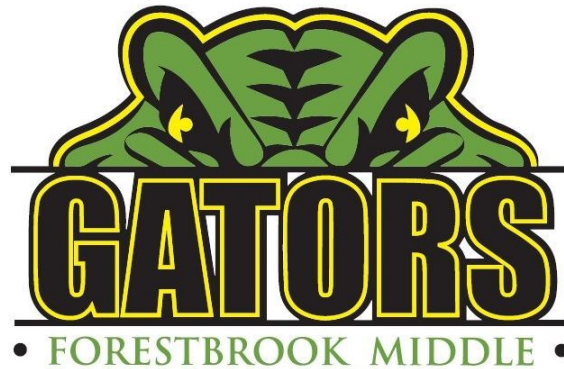


Forestbrook Middle School 2022 School Summary Report



2019 Palmetto Gold/Excellent Ranked School
2015 National Blue Ribbon School
2014 Palmetto's Finest School

School Mission

The Mission of Forestbrook Middle School, a nurturing family responsive to an evolving community, is to ensure that all learners are prepared for and committed to lifelong learning with integrity by challenging students with innovative curriculum, teaching with high expectations, and cultivating individual talents.

School Improvement Council

Rob Kegler – Chair, Faith Powalie – Secretary, Connie Rogers – Advisory Board Member and PTO President, Stacy Millward, Meghan Stiles, Scott Barnes, Gussie Simmons, James Foster, Amanda Pidgeon, Amanda Tenney, Melissa Rutenberg

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Dear Forestbrook Middle School Gator families:

It is our sincere pleasure to share this annual school report with our school community. Forestbrook Middle School has high expectations and standards for our students, and our staff takes great pride in providing a safe and secure learning environment, while at the same time offering a wide array of exciting and challenging academic programs. Each year we are filled with pride as we watch our students grow and learn and become responsible young adults. We are so fortunate to have a wonderful group of students at Forestbrook Middle School, and we continue to work in partnership with our families and community to ensure our students' success. We know that having your support is an essential part of our success, and we thank you for all that you have done to make our year so fulfilling and memorable despite the many challenges we have faced as a community with COVID-19.

At Forestbrook Middle School, we have a proud tradition of excellence that is associated with being a SC State Department of Education Palmetto Gold/Excellent Ranked School, Palmetto's Finest and National Blue Ribbon award winner. Academically our students have continued to perform at high levels in all areas. In addition, our students and faculty have continued to excel both in and out of the classroom. We have provided opportunities for student success beyond the classroom through our clubs and activities designed to enhance the middle school experience and to foster individual talents. This year we have continued to implement effective personalized learning with Google Chromebooks and have supported our students' social and emotional needs through implementation of the Second Step curriculum. In all aspects of our school, we embrace our motto of "Excellence, Every Day, Everywhere!"

Thank you for taking the time to read this annual report and to celebrate the accomplishments of our school and community. As always, we appreciate your support of Forestbrook Middle School.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Melissa Rutenberg
Principal

Mr. Rob Hegler
School Improvement
Council Chairperson



2021-22 FMS Administration

Community and Parent Involvement

- Pastries for Parents at Library Book Fair
- Backpack Buddies—Year-Round Food Distribution for Students
- Free Breakfast and Lunch for Students All Year
- Veterans Day Art and Writing Contests
- Family/Business Donations to School: Over \$20,000
- Charitable Fundraising and Donations:
 - FMS Angel Tree: \$2,000 in Donations Supported Students and Families
 - United Way: Donations via Staff Payroll Deductions
 - FMS Polar Plunge Team Raised Over \$4,000 for Special Olympics
 - Fundraisers for Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary and ECHO Domestic Violence Shelter
- Socastee Attendance Area Advisory Board
- Bilingual School Correspondence
- School-to-Work Initiative—276 6th Graders and 282 7th Graders Participated in Virtual Career Conference
- Featured on WBTW, WPDE, WMBF; and in *Sun News* and *Post and Courier*
- Parent Survey
- Parents' Nights for Sports Teams
- Back-to-School Night for Parents and Students to Meet Teachers
- Active and Supportive PTO and School Improvement Council



2022 Basketball Parents' Night



2022 Polar Plunge Team



Celebrate With Us!



Administration

Melissa Rutenberg, Principal—mrutenberg001@horrycountyschools.net
Sylvester Carr, Assistant Principal—scarr002@horrycountyschools.net • Erica Markunas, Assistant Principal—emarkunas@horrycountyschools.net • Grayson Hancock, Instructional Coach—ghancock@horrycountyschools.net

Academic Awards and Other Honors

2015 National Blue Ribbon School
Seven National Board-Certified Teachers
and One National Board-Certified
School Counselor
Nationally Recognized BETA School
Eighteen Junior Scholars
Second Place in HCS Virtual Battle of the
Books Competition
Three Students Qualified for National
History Day Competition; Five Qualified
to Compete at South Carolina State
History Day Competition
Yearbook Named National Program of
Excellence by Jostens in 2016 and 2022
Teachers Presented at a Variety of State
and National Conferences
Alpha/Beta Incentives
Students of the Week Recognition

Student Academic Activities

Black History Month—Writing and Art
Contests and Displays
English for Speakers of Other Languages
Classes
School-Sponsored Creative Writing and
Art Contests
Student Writing and Art Created and
Displayed for Veterans Day
Pi Day Events
Makerspace Day of Coding
After-School Extended Learning, Credit
Recovery, and Band Tutoring Programs

Extracurricular Activities

Archery Team
Basketball, Football, and Cheer
Active Participation in Socastee
High School Sports
Polar Plunge
Spirit Week, Red Ribbon Week,
Holiday Caroling, and
Charitable Giving
Book Fair
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Fishing Tournament
Spirit Weeks/Dress-Up Days for
Athletics, Holidays, and
Teacher Appreciation

Life Skills

Guidance Department
Red Ribbon Week Activities
STOMP Out Bullying Events
Drinking and Driving Curriculum
HTC Reel Kids—Recognition for
Students Excelling Despite
Tremendous Challenges
Second Steps Social-Emotional
Learning Curriculum

Clubs

Book Club and MakerSpace
Junior Beta
Yearbook Staff
Art Club
Gator Anglers
National Junior Art Honor
Society



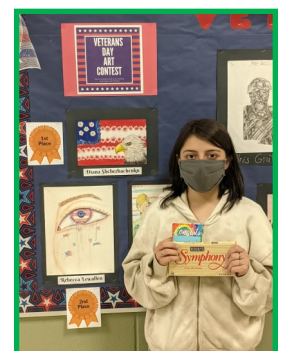
“Team Up Against Drugs”
for Red Ribbon Week



FMS Softball Players on
Socastee High Team



National History Day Qualifiers



Veterans Day Art Contest
Winner



Forestbrook Middle School 2022 Assessment Data

NWEA MAP Test Averages	2021-22 Spring RIT Score	2021-22 Fall RIT Score	RIT Score Fall to Spring	2021-22 Spring Percentile	2021-22 Fall Percentile	% Growth Fall to	Percentage of Students Meeting
Reading	216	210	7	49	45	3	60
Math	224	218	6	46	48	-2	56



Visual and Performing Arts, Communications

FMS Music Programs are Nearly 300 Students Strong
 Five Students Qualified for Southern Region Choir
 One Student Qualified for Region Band
 Twelve Students Qualified for All-State Chorus
 Fourteen Students Qualified for All-County Chorus
 Six Students Qualified for All-County Band
 One Student Qualified for All-County Orchestra
 Three Band Festivals—Superior in All Out-of-State—Atlanta Music Festival—Band, Chorus, and Orchestra—Superior and Excellent
 Chorus, Band, and Art Students Participated in Outdoor “Amp Up Your Holidays” Event with Socastee Middle and High School
 Sound System for School Provided by PTO

Student Won 1st Place for Youth Art Month National Art Education Association Eastern Division Contest
 Student Won 1st Place for "Waves of the Future" Rotary Logo Contest
 Student Artists Designed FMS Yearbook Cover, Title Page, and End Page
 Eighteen Students Inducted into National Junior Art Honor Society
 Gator Marquee Provided by Student Council and PTO
 Hallway Video Monitors Display Student Activity Photos, Awards, Alpha/Beta Status
 Blackboard/Parent Link System
 Bi-Weekly Parent Newsletter via Email
 HCS TV-12
 FMS Web Page, Facebook Page, Instagram, and Blog
 Gator Guides, Ambassadors, and Greeters