

School Achievements

- Amber Theus-Laurens District 55 Distinguished Literacy Teacher
- STEM Afterschool Grant
- Interactive Promethean boards/panels in every classroom
- Chromebooks available to all students in grades 3-8; K-2 has access to chromebooks and/or I-Pads
- From Fall to Winter in grades K5-8, 69.21% of students met their target growth on the MAP Reading test.
- From Fall to Winter in grades K5-8, 69.50% of students met their target growth on the MAP Math test.
- From Fall to Winter in grades K5-8, 88.99% of students showed growth on the Reading MAP test.
- From Fall to Winter in grades K5-8, 91.95% of students showed growth on the Math MAP test.
- From Fall to Winter in grades K5-5, 90.60% of students showed growth on the Fountas and Pinnell reading test.



GCO SIC Members

Elected Members:

- Sarah Brena - Parent
- Julie Carroll – Teacher
- Brook England-Instructional Coach & 21st Century After School
- Kacie Isbell – Teacher
- Danielle Nichols - Parent (Chair)
- Jessica Kellett-Parent

Appointed Members

- Marty Crain, SRO- Community Member
- Ernest Lloyd- Community Member
- John Fahrney- Community Member

Ex-officio Member:

- Kim Penland- Principal
- Marcia Womble- Assistant Principal
- Michelle Spires- Teacher of the Year

Purpose of the Report

This Report is issued by the Gray Court-Owings 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.

Gray Court-Owings School

Annual School Improvement Council “Report to the Parents”

2018-2019



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Mission Statement

The mission of Gray Court-Owings School is to empower and inspire all to be educated and informed.

GCO SIC GOALS

Goals for the SIC focused on the School Climate goal of the School Renewal Plan:

- **Safety:** The SIC made recommendations and approved safety and security upgrades to the campus including front entrance doors and additional cameras added to the front.
- **Instruction:** The SIC reviewed steps taken to improve instruction, such as intensive coaching, uninterrupted instructional time, instructional expectations, data analysis, and data-driven instruction.
- **Accountability:** The SIC discussed formative and summative assessments used to help monitor student growth and achievement.



Student Achievements

**based on 2018 SC Ready scores*

SC Ready Scores:

- **Grade 3-5 ELA** – 24.80% Met and above
- **Grade 3-5 Math** – 28.00% Met and above

SC Pass Scores:

- **Grade 4 Science** – 37.20% Met and above
- **Grade 5 Social Studies** – 67.60% Met and above

SC Ready Scores:

- **Grade 6-8 ELA** – 15.30% Met and above
- **Grade 6-8 Math** – 25.20% Met and above

SC Pass Scores:

- **Grade 6 Science** – 18.90% Met and above
- **Grade 8 Science** – 36.80% Met and above
- **Grade 7 Social Studies** – 68.30% Met and above

End of Course Test Scores:

- **GCO's End of Course Test scores for Algebra 1**- 85.7% passing
- **GCO's End of Course Test scores for English 1**-84.6% passing

The School Report Card Ratings:

- **GCO Elementary:** Below Average
- **GCO Middle:** Average

“For more information, you may view GCO “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at <http://screportcards.com>”

Congratulations to:

- Amber Theus - Teacher of the Year
- David Turner – Support Staff of the Year
- Monica Wood - Cafeteria Employee of the Year

Community Partnerships:



- Bramlett United Methodist Church
- Certified Security Systems
- Friendship Baptist Church
- M&M Scrap Metal
- Martin Brothers Construction
- Modern Woodmen of America
- Fibertex Nonwovens
- Vulcan Materials
- ZF Transmissions

Principal for the Day

Gray Court-Owings School welcomed Dr. Robert Cathcart, Jr. from Friendship Presbyterian Church as our Principal for the Day.