

## Academic Highlights

Increased technology ~ Chromebooks are accessible to all students in every classroom for infused blended learning in core content area classrooms

High progress literacy classrooms with classroom libraries and the implementation of the Reading and Writing Workshop Model in ELA

Analyzing informational texts using Text Dependent Analysis and Document Based Questions in Science and Social Studies

Connecting learning and collaborating to find multiple solutions to real world problems in Math

Inquiry and Exploration using the Science and Engineering Practices (SEP) in all science classrooms

### SIC Members

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### Purpose of the SIC Report

*This Report is issued by the Sanders' School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on our progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year."*

## 2018-2019 School Improvement Council Report to the Parents Sanders Middle School



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### SMS Mission Statement

The vision of Sanders Middle School is to empower and inspire all to be educated and informed.

## Student Achievements

Sanders is home to...

- Four 8<sup>th</sup> grade South Carolina Junior Scholars Brianna Burrafato, Mykayla Neely, Finley Partee, and Abigail Whitten
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winners of the WPEC Academic Challenge Middle School Division II
- 67 newly inducted National Junior Honor Society members
- 2018-19 Laurens County Distinguished Literacy Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Nina Mullinax
- Regional Science Fair Winners for 5 consecutive years
- “I, too, have a Dream” Thomas Sanders Alumni Association Essay Competition Winners (1<sup>st</sup>) Quinyetta Goggins, (2<sup>nd</sup> place) Alaina Turner, (3<sup>rd</sup> place) Buddy Baker

The SMS School Report rating for the 2017-2018 school year is **Average**. Our school’s performance **meets** the criteria to ensure all students meet the Profile of the SC Graduate. The full report card can be accessed at <https://screportcards.com/>.



## Sanders’ Unique Features



Montessori Education

AVID School-wide

PBIS targeted behavior interventions and supports for students

The 1,000,000+ Page Reading Challenge and 30 for 30 Reading Initiative ~ students and staff yearly log over 1 million pages of reading

