

Pelion Middle School

2019-2020

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“One Team. 100%”

Enrollment Summary (Total Number of Students)	Statistics (Staff and Students)
6th Grade: 174 7th Grade: 177 8th Grade: 197 Total Student Enrollment: 548	National Board Certified Teachers: 5 Highly Qualified Teachers: 100% Teachers with Advanced Degrees: 27 Students qualified for Duke TIP Testing: 21
Total Faculty and Staff: 90	

Clubs, Sports, Organizations, and Extracurricular Activities

<i>Honors Art District Art FCA Jr. Beta Club Heart and Sole/ Girls on the Run Robotics Book Squad LOCC Student Council Student Lighthouse</i>	<i>Football Volleyball Girls and Boys Basketball Cheerleading ***Baseball, Golf, Softball, Girls Soccer, Girls Tennis, Track, Wrestling, Marching Band, and Winter Guard are all available through Pelion High</i>
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Power Skills, 7 Habits, and Student Success

Relationships: LEAD and Sharpen-the-Saw Fridays

At PMS, each student is known well by at least one adult within the school through our LEAD structure. Students have their needs met and strengths discovered through social, emotional, and instructional/academic support. LEAD classes meet every morning. To strengthen school-wide relationships and provide students with the opportunity to explore their interests, we implement Sharpen-the-Saw Fridays. Each week students either participate in team-building activities with their LEAD class or grade level, clubs sponsored by teachers, or engage in school-wide activities that build community.

Family Engagement Nights

We host regular Family Engagement Nights in an effort to encourage family involvement in the educational process. Parent University, Spooky STEAM Night, and Trivia Night are just a few of the events that we sponsor to welcome families and continue strengthening relationships.

Student Leadership: Grade-Level Community Meetings

Students have the privilege of leading these meetings for their grade levels. At these meetings, student learning is highlighted and student accomplishments are celebrated. We also celebrate students who consistently demonstrate traits of the 7 Habits and the district Power Skills. These scholars are acknowledged by their peers and announced at the grade-level Community Meetings.

Paideia Partnership

In order to provide students with learning opportunities to practice critical thinking and communication skills, PMS established a partnership with the Paideia Center. This active learning introduced students to the Paideia Socratic seminar which was grounded in providing students with access to complex texts.

Learning Supports

We employ a push-in model for Response-to-Intervention (RTI) in both English Language Arts and math to ensure that student needs are being met in the general education setting. Through the implementation of the Workshop Model, we maximize student learning opportunities and provide timely, meaningful feedback and assessment through which to adjust instruction and enrich learning experiences across content areas. Our school's partnership with Teachers College, full implementation of the *Lucy Calkins Units of Study*, and ELA Model Classroom provides us with the necessary tools and resources to collaborate, remediate instruction, and enrich as necessary. Our continued partnership with the Dynamic Learning Project as a partnership with Google, in addition to our Rolling Study Hall initiative, continues to increase student achievement by providing students with academic advocates.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Six students were accepted into the District Honors Art program.
Two orchestra students were accepted into Region Orchestra.
Two middle school wrestlers competed in the State Middle School Wrestling Tournament and placed 6th and 8th.
One student was selected for TriDAC.
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100% participation in Beginning of the Year Book Clubs
Our Digital Learning Coach, Mrs. Laura Beckham, was awarded the 2020 Dr. Elizabeth Gressette Scholarship from the Palmetto State Teachers Association.
Dr. Catherine Bouabre, one of our French teachers, was published. Her article is Current State of Foreign Language Instruction in the U.S. K-12 Christian Schools and is published in Journal of Research on Christian Education, Volume 28 Issue 3.
Several marching band awards for the Pelion Panther Marching Pride
The PMS Turkey Bowl Food Drive We received 1,382 donations!!! We could not have done it without your generosity! We showed our ability to come together as ONE TEAM!
Successful student participation in the Veteran's Day program
Well-attended Family Engagement Nights
Our Director of Counseling, Mr. Clayton Henke, was named the 2020 PSSCA Middle School Counselor of the Year.
Principal, Kailanya Brailey, was named the 2020 PSSCA School Counselor Advocate of the Year.
Girls on the Run/Heart and Sole 5K participation and completion (inspiring students to be healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running)
Pelion Middle was chosen as a Symposium visit location by <i>The Leader In Me</i> .
PMS Teachers, Ms. Bagnall and Mrs. Arthur, were presenters at the South Carolina Teachers of English conference.

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