#### **School Achievements**

HPMS Girls basketball was crowned the inaugural Anderson Oconee Pickens Conference Division III champions.

7<sup>th</sup> grader Kennedy McGaha qualified for the State Championships in Girls Golf.

Ideals Music received an Excellent rating at the SC Music Festival.

Jazz Band received an Excellent rating at the SC Jazz Festival.

Brayden Couch, Ian Gambrell, and Rebecca Simpson qualified for All Region Band

Preston Ashley was named the school's Corey White Diversity Award recipient.

6<sup>th</sup> grader Caleb Taylor was crowned School Spelling Bee Champion.

The top 3 spots for both 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade went to HPMS students in the Anderson Soil & Water Conservation District's Essay Contest.

19 Students earned Presidential Service Learning Awards (6 gold, 2 silver, 11 bronze).

Cara Noland was awarded HPMS Teacher of the Year for 2015-2016.

Pam McCoy was awarded HPMS Support Staffer of the Year for 2015-2016.

# Honea Path Middle School SIC Members

Chair: Mrs. Stephanie Covan, Parent Mrs. Ashley Ashley, Parent Mrs. Stephanie Covan, Parent Mrs. Angie Gary, Parent Mrs. Angie Smith, Teacher Mr. Richard Simpson, Teacher Mr. Warren Simpson, Teacher Mrs. Mandy Vinson, Community Representative Ms. Louise Wilkerson-Walker, Community Representative Mr. Phil Zigos, Community Representative

**Ex-Officio Members:** 

Principal: Mr. Matthew Schult Assistant Principal: Mrs. Rhonda Gregory

#### **Purpose of the Report**

"This Report is issued by Honea Path Middle School's 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."

## Honea Path Middle School

Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2015-16



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The mission of Honea Path Middle School, in collaboration with the total community, is to inspire lifelong learners who apply the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to become creative problem solvers, achieve personal success, and contribute responsibly as citizens in our diverse and dynamic world.

### School Renewal Plan Goals

Student Achievement Goal – By 2020, 85% of students in grades 6-8 will meet grade-level expectations on state-wide assessments.

Teacher Quality Goal – By 2020, teachers will, on average, participate in 17 days of high quality professional development that focuses on increasing teachers' expertise in using engaging instructional strategies, motivating learners, and creating quality assessments aligned to district goals as evidenced by professional development days on the state report card.

School Climate Goal #1 – Through 2020, the average student attendance will remain at or above 96%.

School Climate Goal #2 – By 2020, the average teacher attendance will remain at or above 98%.

The purpose of the School Renewal Plans Annual goals is to steadily progress the school forward in all areas consistent with the school's mission. We believe that by targeting the above four areas that we will not only prepare our students for the high school, but that we will have helped to shape a generation of students for success in our community.

### **Student Achievement**

HPMS students scored higher than other schools statewide with students like ours in Reading, Writing and Math on the ACT Aspire test.

HPMS students scored higher than other schools statewide with students like ours in both Science and Social Studies on the SC PASS test.

Over 40% of students scored Exemplary on PASS Social Studies.

24% of students school wide scored Exceeding expectations on Aspire Math.

50% of 7<sup>th</sup> graders scored Exceeding expectations on Aspire English.

In a class of 134 students, just over 50 8<sup>th</sup> graders enrolled in Algebra I and nearly 75 8<sup>th</sup> graders enrolled in English I, more than double any year prior.

100% of Algebra I students and 98% of English I students passed the state's End-of-Course Exams.

87 of 134 8<sup>th</sup> graders earned at least one high school credit!

"For more information, you may view Honea Path Middle School's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at <u>www.ed.sc.gov</u>."

# **HPMS Unique Attributes**

21st Century Merit Academy – HPMS has a thriving afterschool program with a STEM focus.

Focus on Service Learning – Nearly 150 of our 300 students take Service Learning as an elective and HPMS offers Gold, Silver, and Bronze awards based on the National Service Learning Standards.

Earn Carnegie Units - Students are encouraged to get a jump on high school coursework with the opportunity to earn 4 high school credits in 8th grade (Algebra I, English I, Spanish, Integrated Business Applications).

Gateway to Technology Program offers courses in Design & Modeling and Automation & Robotics and will be adding Introduction to Computer Science next year!

Digital Library - our library offers over 375 titles for digital download on your student's e-reader device.

Technology rich school - Our building is fully wireless, has two staffed computer labs, and offers two 30 station iPad mini mobile labs. Students are engaged in their learning and often generate rich projects for public consumption. Parents are able to stay abreast of school activities via our Facebook page, Twitter feed, Instagram account, Parent Portal, and the school's website.