

## School Achievements

HPMS was rated **EXCELLENT** on its 21-22 state report card. This is the highest rating since 2013. It was also rated as a **PALMETTO GOLD AWARD** school due to its ratings in achievement and growth. HPMS' overall report card rating was the fourth highest in the state among traditional middle schools.

HPMS Advanced Band Members were awarded Superior with Distinction, the highest possible rating, at this year's SCBDA Concert Performance Assessment.

Caleb Guest was awarded the Cory White Diversity Award for HPMS.

Jennifer Parks was awarded HPMS Teacher of the Year for 2023-2024.

Zip Scott was awarded HPMS Support Staff Member of the Year for 2023-2024.

Sarah Smith was awarded HPMS Induction Teacher of the Year for 2022-2023.

## Honea Path Middle School SIC Members

Chair: Mrs. Natasha Kay, Parent  
Mrs. Amanda Sears, Parent  
Mrs. Sara Nabors, Parent  
Mr. Demarius Smith, Parent  
Ms. Rachel DuRant, Faculty  
Mrs. Tara Miller, Faculty  
Mrs. Dot Evans, Community Representative  
Mrs. Laurie Townsend-Sanders, Community Representative  
Mr. Travis Dyar, Community Representative

### Ex-Officio Members:

Principal: Mr. John Michael Hall  
Assistant Principal: Mrs. Jan Mundy  
After-School Program: Mr. Allen Taylor  
CFEC: Ms. Lorilei Swanson

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### 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."*

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## Honea Path Middle School Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2022-2023



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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.*

## HPMS SIC Goal 2022-2023 School Year

Develop a Community Family Resource Center (CRFC) to give parents easy access to the information and resources they need to support their child's learning and development.

*Actions taken to achieve goal:*

- Partnered with the Carolina Family Engagement Center and the South Carolina Department of Education to secure funding for the CRFC.
- Secured the Watkins Community Center as a site location
- Partnered with Honea Path Elementary School SIC to jointly host the CRFC.
- Identified two parent leaders to serve as family-school liaisons for the CRFC.
- Ordered supplies and materials needed for the CRFC.
- Anticipated launch date for the CRFC September 2023.

## Student Achievement

Our test data from *spring 2022* shows:

- 55.2% of our students scored Meets or Exceeds on the SC Ready ELA test.
- 45.5% of our students scored Meets or Exceeds on the SC Ready Math test.
- 64.5% of our students scored Meets or Exceeds on the SC PASS Science test,
- 96.2% of our students passed the Algebra I EOC.
- HPMS was ranked 65<sup>th</sup> in the state by Schooldigger.com, up 20 spots from 2021, placing HPMS in the top 25% of middle schools in the state according to that ranking.
- HPMS, once again, achieved at a levels across that board that nearly matched or, in many cases, exceeded our pre-pandemic student achievement. This demonstrates again the dedicated and intentional hard work of our students, teachers, and staff. It also is a testament to the support of parents, the community, and our district.

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Some highlights within our data include:

- Overall ELA, an increase of 9.7%
- Overall Math, an increase of 3.1%
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science, an increase of 14%

*“For more information, you may view Honea Path Middle School’s “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov).”*

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## HPMS Unique Attributes

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

Earn Carnegie Units - Students are encouraged to get a jump on high school coursework with the opportunity to earn 3 high school credits in 8th grade (Algebra I, English I, and Fundamentals of Computing).

Gateway to Technology Program offers courses in Design & Modeling, Automation & Robotics, Introduction to Computer Science, Electronics, and Aerospace.

Read 180 and Math 180 - Programs provided to students to help increase skills in reading and math, and students have already shown tremendous growth and development in these programs.

A competitive and engaged agricultural program and FFA.

Technological Advantages - Our building is fully wireless, each student has a Chromebook for 1:1 instruction. Students are engaged in their learning and generate rich projects for public consumption.

Frequent Communication - Parents can access information on school activities via our Facebook page, Twitter feed, Instagram account, Parent Portal, and the school's updated website. Additionally, a weekly newsletter is sent from the principal each week on Friday. Parents and students also have access to a newly developed app for Anderson 2 which supplies information for both the school and district.