

IRMO HIGH SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS SIC ANNUAL REPORT



2019-20 AWARDS

- 1st place, SC Girls Wrestling Championship
- 1st place, Accounting & 1st place, Personal Finance, Future Business Leaders of America State Conference
- 2nd place, Magnet Schools of America national poster contest
- 2nd place, SC Economics Challenge
- 2nd place, Girls Basketball Lower State Championship
- 3 students selected for All State Chorus
- 4 students selected for All State Band
- 5 students selected for All State Orchestra
- AFROTC Type Seven Scholarship offered to cadet Logan Shealy
- Prestigious South Carolina Teaching Fellowship awarded to student Emma Bassett
- 115 students inducted, National Honor Society
- Grant recipient, Dominion Energy Solar for Students

ANNUAL GOALS 2016-21

- Graduation rates will improve by 5% as reported by the SC Dept. of Education.
- Average SAT score will improve by 25 points and the ACT composite will improve by 2.0 points.
- End of Course exam scores will improve by 10%.
- Student on-task behavior in class will improve by 10% as measured by teacher, parent, and student survey results; referrals for classroom disruptions will decrease 10%.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

- Irmo High School and The Center for Advanced Technical Studies collaborate to offer the first cohort in the new International Baccalaureate (IB) Career Related Programme, expanding our IB offerings. The IB Career Programme offers career related studies in 6 career related concentrations.
- Irmo High School expanded Dual Enrollment courses in partnership with USC-Lancaster and Midlands Technical College, and will begin offering courses that will allow students to earn an Associate in Arts from Midlands Technical College.
- Irmo High School inducted 3 alumni and 3 former faculty into the Hall of Fame.
- 99% of students in American Government passed the state-required Civics Exam in the fall semester.
- The Irmo High School Symphonic Winds was a featured ensemble at the 2019 South Carolina Music Educators Association Conference.
- As a certified GreenSteps School, we implemented sustainability projects where students learn, do, and teach others, including rain barrel installation.
- Irmo High remains a Certified National Merit School by Magnet Schools of America. Certified schools ensure high standards and expectations in diversity, innovative curricula and professional development, high-quality instruction, academic excellence, and family & community partnerships.
- Irmo High remains a Professional Development School in partnership with University of South Carolina.

Bringing our A Game to all we do



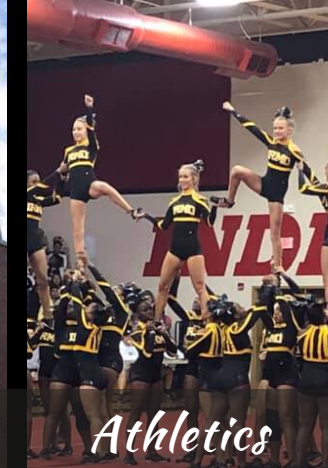
Academics



Arts



Attendance



Athletics



Attitude

ACADEMICS

Irmo High School offers rigorous academic programs to support students' varied post-secondary plans as well as elective courses to foster growth in academic achievement, life skills, fine arts, and physical fitness. The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme, the IB Career-related Programme, Advanced Placement courses, and Dual Enrollment opportunities continue to challenge

students academically and prepare them for future success. Teachers utilize a variety of instructional strategies, such as cooperative learning, to actively engage students and encourage them to become lifelong learners. Professional development for teachers included training in cooperative learning, arts-based education, and diversity inclusion from experts in these fields.

ARTS

Irmo High School is an arts-focused school with options for experiences in vocal and instrumental music, dance, theatre, and many disciplines of visual arts. Each program has various course levels to include any students who want to participate, as well as specialized instruction within each program such as world percussion, piano, technical theatre production, stained glass, and ceramic arts to name just a few. Our highly trained teachers, practice facilities, and Center for the Arts provide our students with a world class environment for arts education and production.

ATTITUDE

Our message to students is one of cohesion and community: "IRMO means I Respect Myself and Others!" and "This is Irmo, where we bring our A Game to all we do!" Our student Irmo Ambassadors are positive peer influencers - they welcome new students, participate in community outreach, serve as peer mentors, and more. Our Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program allows teachers to reinforce positive school culture as well as behaviors we expect of our students. To promote student involvement, our PBIS team partnered with Irmo Athletics to provide free admission to an athletic event for students meeting PBIS goals.

ATTENDANCE

Our intentional focus of encouraging students to be in class on time every day is a part of our daily messaging. In collaboration with our school counseling department and social worker, we provide support to families to communicate the importance and connection of attendance and academic success. In addition to academic attendance, we encourage students to participate in extracurricular opportunities and to support one another by attending school events such as athletics, theatre, and more.

ATHLETICS

Irmo High School offers a wide variety of competitive athletic opportunities for both boys and girls. In conjunction with Irmo Middle School, there are Varsity, Junior Varsity, and C-Team levels for many teams. This past year, our students participated in baseball, cheer, cross country, football, golf, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swim, tennis, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling. Our Girls Varsity Basketball coach surpassed 400 career wins, was named County Coach of the Year, and was selected to coach an all-star SC team. Our Girls Golf coach was named Region Coach of the year. First place region champion teams include our Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball teams and Girls Cross Country team.

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