

## From the SIC of Irmo High

The School Improvement Councils (SIC) are required by law to provide this annual "Report to the Parents" and constituents of the school with information on the SIC's and school's progress in meeting the school and district goals and objectives.

### The purpose of the Irmo High School SIC is to:

- \*assist in the preparation, implementation, and evaluation of the 5-year Comprehensive School Improvement Plan and updates
- \*assist with the development and monitoring of school improvement and innovation
- \*provide advice on the use of school incentive grant awards, if applicable
- \*serve as a liaison between the school, school organizations, the community, and the local school board by collecting and disseminating information about school improvement
- \*provide assistance that the principal may request as well as carrying out duties prescribed by the local school board

### During this reporting period the Irmo High School SIC has:

- continued the work towards the goal of positive public relations promoting the qualities of Irmo High School
- assisted principal with developing and implementing the School Renewal Plan
- provided strong support in efforts to improve and beautify Irmo High School campus
- provided insight and direction on the development of a more effective communication tool for our parents and the community
- continued support for the "Irmo Advantage" program which serves students at risk of failing classes or not graduating

Irmo High School Improvement Council remains a pillar of support for the school's goal to maintain a high quality of education for all students.

## Mission Statement

The mission of Irmo High School is to develop an education community of lifelong learners and educator who meet the global demands of the 21<sup>st</sup> century through a challenging educational program which embraces diversity and unity, instills integrity and character, and provides opportunities for leadership and teamwork.

## SIC Stakeholders

### Elected Parents

Hayley Gossett, Chair	Dan Koon, Vice - Chair
Kathy Mahoney	Joy Rambo
Betsy Bryant	Maya Malhorta
Tabitha Keeler	

### Elected Teachers

Chrissie Poore	Steve King
Brennan Davis	Alisa Long
Patricia Powell	

### Appointed Community

John Cantey	Alisha Polkowsky
Damon Terry, Sr.	Linda Byars
Betsy Lybrand	Tony Langton
Denise Johnson	Cynthia Hacker

### Ex - Officio

David Riegel	Beth Well
Vic Caldwell	Lisa Karen Meetze
Shelly Chambers	Barbara Waldman

### Elected Students

Dexter Weathers	Sahar Desai
Chandler Hawsey	Megan Denning

### Administrators

Kaaren Hampton	Tom Wise
John McMillan	William Olawsky
Jeff Corley	

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*In ourselves, our future lies*

## School Improvement Council

2014 - 2015

David Riegel, Principal  
Hayley Gossett, Chair

Annual Report

## To the Irmo High School Community

The Faculty and Staff at Irmo High School thank our parents and the community for supporting our efforts. We continue to improve our communication through the weekly parent newsletters, monthly Jacket Journal News, and phone/email blasts.

Irmo High officially launched its new International School for the Arts on January 9, 2015 with the grand opening of the Center for the Arts. We have an array of courses in dance, theater, music, and visual arts. The auditorium seats over 600 people. Along with our arts magnet program, Irmo High is known throughout the Midlands for our rigorous International Baccalaureate Diploma Program. The program grew with 46 juniors enrolled. Our students are among the most talented and academically gifted students anywhere. Outstanding efforts include; the yearly Student Council Blood Drive, CAS students fundraiser with UNICEF, Cancer Awareness Month, Be A Fan Talent show in honor of our Special Needs students, FBLA tax volunteers, Irmo Pride Day, and more.

Other accomplishments include: one student achieved a perfect score on the math portion of the SAT, being named a Cool School, internationally & nationally featured by BBC and CNN on the Anon Alert App, worked with Parkridge Hospital on a public art display, two National Merit scholars, six National Merit Commended students, United Way Best Campaign, Coca-Cola Scholarship, Scholastic Art & Writing Silver Key Award, AFJROTC cadet were escorts for the WWII and Korean Veterans Honor Flight to Washington, DC, Master Orchestra and Jazz Band achieved superior ratings, outstanding athletic accomplishments, and we began our Bee Fit Program for staff.

Irmo High School, "We Build Bright Futures".

David Riegel  
Principal



## Arts, Academic, Athletic Accomplishments

Irmo High School is proud to announce the following national, state, and regional awards. These accomplishments reflect the tradition of excellence at Irmo High.

- ❖ Perfect Math Score on SAT
- ❖ Winner of D5 PSAT Competition
- ❖ Prudential President's Volunteer Service Award
- ❖ Jazz Band Superior Rating
- ❖ Prudential Spirit of Community Award
- ❖ Finalist Coca-Cola Scholarship
- ❖ United Way Best High School Campaign
- ❖ WLTX Player of the Week
- ❖ Cool School Feature
- ❖ Irmo High School Bee Fit Program
- ❖ Anon Alert App featured on BBC
- ❖ CNN News featured IHS Anon Alert
- ❖ SC Junior Civitan Governor/International Officer
- ❖ National Merit Scholars
- ❖ National Merit Commended Scholars
- ❖ Boys & Girls Basketball Region Champs
- ❖ 2015 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards
- ❖ Top Ten in Atlantic Institute Art/Essay Contest
- ❖ IHS Center for the Arts Grand Opening
- ❖ Silver Key Award in Scholastic Art & Writing
- ❖ Public Art Collaboration with Palmetto Parkridge
- ❖ IHS AFJROTC Honor Flight Participants
- ❖ Master Orchestra Superior Rating
- ❖ NSCAA Soccer Team Academic Award
- ❖ North South Football Participants
- ❖ All State /All Region Athletes
- ❖ Francis W. Excellence in Teaching Award
- ❖ Congressional Art Award
- ❖ Be A Fan Talent Show for Special Needs Students
- ❖ \$1000 Grant for Environmental Science
- ❖ Bright Ideas Grant
- ❖ Certificate for IHS Volunteer Tax Assistance



## Irmo High School Events

