

# IRMO HIGH SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS SIC ANNUAL REPORT



## 2018-19 AWARDS

- National Merit Finalist - Nickey Wang
- 2019 International Society for Technology and Education Lesson Planning Winners
- Chorus earned Superior with Distinction for SC Choral Assessment
- SC Band Directors Association Symphonic Band earned Superior with Distinction
- 2019 Top JROTC Air Force Cadet - Logan Shealy
- 2019 5A Athletic Director of the Year
- 2nd place in Magnet Schools of America poster contest
- 2019 James Francis Byrnes Student Leader award - Cambridge Dantzler

## ANNUAL GOALS

- Graduation rates will improve by 1% per year during the plan as reported by the SC Dept. of Education
- Student on-task behavior in class will improve by 10% as measured by student survey results
- Average SAT score will improve by 25 points and the ACT composite will improve by 2.0 points each year

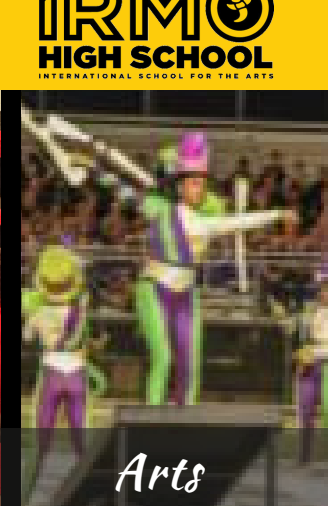
## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

- Irmo High was named 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 and community partnerships.
- Irmo High School and The Center for Advanced Technical Studies completed the application process to host the International Baccalaureate Career Related Program.
- We have partnered with Nephron Pharmaceuticals to strengthen our Health Science Program to include dual enrollment medical terminology and pharmacy technology.
- Our JROTC unit, SC-071 was recognized as a Distinguished Unit Award presented from HQ Air Force JROTC. Only top JROTC programs from across the country are awarded annually.

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Academics



Arts



Attendance



Athletics



Attitude

# ACADEMICS

Irmo High School hosts a variety of academic programs in an effort to engage students where they are most interested to support their post-secondary plans. We strive to offer elective courses that foster growth in academic achievement, personal growth, life skills, fine arts, and physical fitness.

Additionally, the International Baccalaureate Diploma (IB) Program, Advanced Placement (AP), and dual enrollment programs continue to challenge students academically and socially. Teachers utilize a variety of instructional strategies such as cooperative learning and feedback to engage student learning and to support continuous improvement.

# ARTS

Irmo High is an arts focused school with a variety of options for experiences in vocal and instrumental music, dance, visual and performing arts. Unique opportunities like artists in residence in jazz band and African dance enrich the arts experience for students. Over 500 students in various stages of artistic exploration were active participants during the school year.

# ATTENDANCE

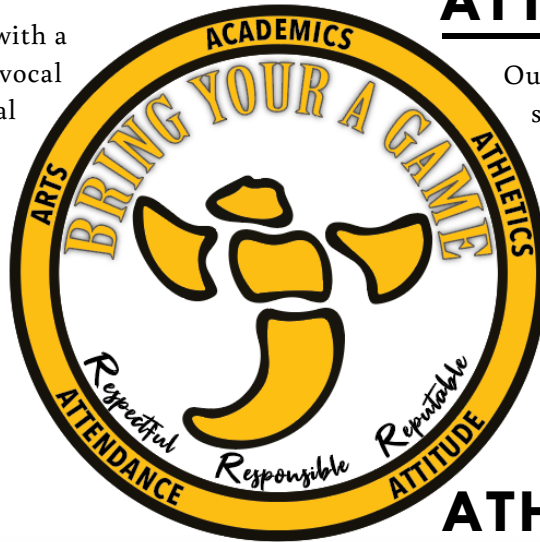
Our intentional focus of encouraging students to be in attendance every day is a part of our daily messaging. In collaboration with our school counseling department and social worker, we provide support to families to communicate the importance and connection of attendance and academic success.

# ATTITUDE

Our Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program allows for teachers to reinforce positive school culture as well as behaviors we expect of our students. As an extension of PBIS, a group of students, our Irmo Ambassadors, are positive peer influencers for the student body. This group serves a variety of purposes including welcoming new students, participating in community outreach, and serving as peer mentors. Also, in partnership with the school nurse, we have implemented a mindfulness technique and location called the Calm Corner.

# ATHLETICS

This year, our football team was Region runner-up, and our girl's cross country team was Region Champion. Our wrestling team and the boys and girls basketball teams qualified for the state playoffs. The boy's tennis and both boys and girls soccer teams qualified for the state playoffs. Our softball team had their first winning season since the 2010 season. Over 50% of students participate in one or more athletic teams as student-athletes.



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# SIC MEMBERS

## PARENTS

- D. C. Terry, Sr. - Chairperson
- Kim Weber - Vice Chair
- Ruth Iglesias - Secretary
- Toshia Addison
- Juanita Bowen-Seabrook
- Christine Smith
- Elizabeth White

## COMMUNITY

- Julie Bird
- Linda Byars
- John Cantey
- Toni Karl
- Alisha Polkowsky
- Susan Robertson
- Dr. Barbara Waldman

## TEACHERS

- Joseph Aiken
- Nicholas Godfrey
- Roger Simpson
- Allison Smith

## STUDENTS

- Emma Bassett
- Cambridge Dantzler
- Tomauree McDowell
- Ariana Pinder
- Allissa Pressley
- Ja-Qunn Washington

## EX-OFFICIO

- Donna Ciriello
- Jay Clark
- Jeff Corley
- Kaaren Hampton
- Robin Hardy
- Chris Jenkins
- Dan Koon
- John McMillan
- Sarah Zupon