

MID-CAROLINA MIDDLE SCHOOL 2022-2023 SIC REPORT TO THE PARENTS



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Mid-Carolina Middle School, a rural school located on Highway US 76 in Newberry County, serves as a centralized location for middle school students feeding from three elementary schools in its attendance area for the School District of Newberry County. We are approximately thirty minutes from the Columbia area and 15 minutes from downtown Newberry. Mid-Carolina Middle School is composed of 535 students in grades 6 through 8, 70 faculty and staff members with 4 National Board Certified Staff.

Mission

To create a safe and engaging learning environment that challenges all scholars.

Vision

To empower our scholars to maintain a growth mindset as they face future challenges.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS:

- Redesignated National School to Watch
- AdvancED Accredited School
- 2022 Excellent SC Report Card Rating
- SC State Beta Award Winners
- Junior Scholars
- WPEC Academic Team Region 3rd Place
- Making Middle Grades Work
- 7 Mindsets School
- Live to Give-Community Service Projects:
 - Relay for Life
 - o Cash for a Cure
 - The Malala Fund
 - Pomaria Food Bank
 - American Heart Association
 - Angel Tree
- Veterans Day
 Community Program of Recognition
- United Way
- Ronald Juvenile
 Diabetes Foundation
- Newberry County Memorial Hospital Packets
- Student Field Trip Scholarships
- Special Incentives:
 - Principal's Honor Roll
 - o A-B Honor Roll
 - AcademicHonorable Mention
- Rebel Ambassadors
- Enrichment Celebration
- MCMS Rebels of the Month
- Teacher and Support Staff of the Month
- Praise a Rebel Student and Staff Recognition
- Positive Behavior Celebrations
- Rebel to Rebel Shoutout

MCMS uses the team approach and the 7 Mindsets Social Emotional Learning to better facilitate learning and build positive relationships with students. You will find a caring and supportive faculty and staff who pride themselves on successful student achievement. We believe parents, students, community members, and educational staff must work together to best attain a quality education. It's The Rebel Way!



Student Programs at MCMS

WMCMS Student Morning News Show, Honors
English I, Honors Algebra I, Accelerated 6th & 7th grade
math and ELA, PLTW Classes, Whole School Enrichment,
Band, Chorus, ESOL, Art, Inquiry Labs, SAC (Student
Advisory Council), Catch-up Café, After-school tutorial,
READY Time, Read 180, School-wide Clubs, One Book One
School, Job Shadowing, Career Day, Success Assemblies,
Grade 8 Promotion Ceremony, Parent Institutes, 7
Mindsets, Birthday Recognitions, School-wide Live to
Give/Community Service Projects, 7 Mindsets, Mentoring
Groups, ROTC, and School-wide Recycling.

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Extracurricular Activities:

Rebel Ambassadors, Color Guard, Marching Band, Beta Club, Be Great Academy, Project Lead the Way Club, Academic Bowl Team, volleyball, wrestling, tennis, golf, cross country, lacrosse, track and field, swimming, football, Rebelettes, cheerleading, basketball, soccer, softball, Archery Team, B team baseball, and soccer.



WHAT'S WORKING AT MCMS

- Teaming concept
- Interdisciplinary Units
- Organized binders for all students, agendas, and IDs
- Read 180 Class
- READY Time in the mornings
- Catch-up Café at lunch
- After School assistance provided by all teachers
- Continue to implement practices from the Making Middle Grades Work initiative
- Incorporate curriculum events that strengthen positive relationships between home and school
- Utilize communication tools:
 School website, Thrillshare, Parent
 Portal, monthly newsletter, Remind
 101, Facebook, Twitter
- OBOS (One Book, One School) school-wide literacy initiative
- Team Electronic Data Notebook
- Level One Discipline
- Teacher grade analysis for at-risk & subgroup students
- ELA & Math Unit Analysis
- Rotating schedule each 9 weeks
- Healthy Schools Program
- SIC goal setting
- Rebel Ambassadors
- The 7 Mindsets
- iReady
- Schoology Learning Platform with Google
- 1 to 1 technology
- Rise and Rise-UP curriculum for struggling students
- Translation of communication for Hispanic families
- Provided uniform school supplies for all students
- Vertical planning with feeder Elementary and High schools

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What is a School Improvement Council (SIC)?

Key Points:

- The School Improvement Council (SIC) serves as an advisory committee to a school's principal and faculty.
- Unlike PTAs and other voluntary school organizations, councils are mandated by law to exist in every public school in South Carolina.
- SICs play a key role in the education of our state's children, bringing together parents, educators and community stakeholders to work collectively to improve their local schools.

Key Functions:

- SICs work with the school to develop and implement a five-year school improvement plan (school renewal plan).
- SICs monitor and evaluate success in reaching the plan's goals and objectives.
- SICs write an annual report to parents about the progress of the plan.
- SICs assist the principal in writing the narrative for the School Report Card.
- SICs advise on the use of school incentive awards and provide assistance as requested by the principal.

2022-2023 MCMS SIC Goals:

- Supporting our Teachers
- Increasing Parental Involvement

For more information on MCMS or to learn how to get more involved with our school, visit the GET CONNECTED section on our website.

MCMS School Improvement Council 2022-2023

SIC Leadership Gretchen Haskett- Chair Karen Kirchel- Vice Chair Stacie Martin- Secretary

Parents

Jennifer Gilliam, Erin Hamilton, Christine Milling, Tara Purcell, Angela Reid, Nicole Skeen

Teachers

David Meetze, Stacey Valentine

Community Members Laura Clark, Jennifer Moore, Adam Teseniar, Peggy Winder

Ex-Officio Members
Dr. Paul Dobyns- Principal
Eric Thompson- Assistant Principal
Beverly Wood- Assistant Principal

