## R. H. Gettys Middle School Community Profile

## **Gettys Middle School**

**Our Mission** 

Gettys Middle School, along with the student, family and community, will promote greatness in academic achievement and personal development in a safe environment that prepares students for high school and beyond.

Gettys Middle School students, staff, and community are "Making Gettys Great" and are helping all students develop world class skills.

Our staff commits to providing a safe and academically rigorous learning environment to fulfill our vision of "Gettys Greatness." Since 1962 this tradition of excellence has been the heart of the Easley community and remains so today. Come experience Gettys Greatness and the school that thousands of families have chosen for their child's education.



Our school empowers students in a process of discovery in a transformative school experience. We are an award-winning STEM school that is one of the only South Carolina middle schools to be recognized as Project Lead the Way Distinguished School for five consecutive years 2018-2022. The GMS Robotics team has advanced to the Vex Robotics World Championship in multiple years and has competed internationally.

Gettys Middle engages students in the Arts for a dynamic learning environment. The Art programs inspire and motivate students to enjoy learning while fostering the creative and critical thinking skills valued today beyond the classroom. Nearly 2/3 of our students are enrolled in the Arts. The Band Program was awarded the SC Outstanding Performance Award, a distinction that only 36 band programs received across the state. The Strings Program performed in the state's Concert Performance Assessment and received an "Excellence Award." Approximately 160 student Choir showcased students singing in several performances including the Trills and Thrills Festival where they received a "Superior" rating. The Theater Club performs sold-out musicals in the Broadway Junior series at our historical W.M. Scott Auditorium while award-winning Visual Art students are highlighted at the Pickens County Youth Arts Month showcase.

Teamwork and character is developed in our unique clubs and sports that are favorites of our students. Take a bike ride along the Doodle Trail with our Momentum Bike Club or have fun in our school's video Game Room with our Game Club or dive into some local history with our History Club. We offer an array of successful sport teams at the "Home of the Breakers" with recent championships in football (2018), girls' basketball (2021), girls' volleyball (2020) and a number of high school sports that our students participate in.

Come join the Gettys Family and be a part of "Gettys Greatness!"