



Pickens Middle School

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2022-2023 Report to Parents

Our Mission

To prepare students for college and career readiness

Our Vision

Empowering students to realize the best in themselves and others each day.

Our Beliefs

- Students' basic needs must be met before learning can occur.
- All students can achieve ON grade level mastery of essential standards.
- Students who are prepared for life beyond school require world class skills and life and career characteristics in addition to world class knowledge.

Personalized Learning Academy

- Positive Morning Assemblies
- RCA House System (Advisor/Advisee)
- Weekly Meetings in
 - Leadership, Service, Innovation, Visual and Performing Arts

What Sets Us Apart?

14 High School Credit Classes!

32% of 8th graders take high school credit classes at the Pickens County Career and Technology Center

64% of students take at least one High School credit course while in Middle School

Student choice in electives, including:



Computer Science,
Cybersecurity, PLTW



Weightlifting,
PE, Archery



Dance,
Theater

more options available than listed



Band, Strings,
Chorus



Art



American Sign
Language, Spanish



Ongoing Intramural Competitions!
A different sport happens every
nine weeks!

Percentage of students who met their growth projection:

MATH	Spring to Spring	Fall to Spring
Above 80th percentile:	82.9%	72.4%
41st to 79th percentile:	58.8%	61.5%
40th and below:	31.1%	39.6%

ELA	Spring to Spring	Fall to Spring
Above 80th percentile:	68.2%	72.1%
41st to 79th percentile:	51.3%	63.8%
40th and below:	31.3%	44.7%

2023 Strategic Plan Goals

By 2027-2028, Pickens Middle will increase student proficiency numbers on SC Ready ELA from 40.2% to 60.9% and SC Ready Math from 36.2% to 55.1%

By 2027-2028, Pickens Middle School will increase the teacher retention rate from 80.5% to 89.4% by increasing 1.5% each year.

By 2027-2028, Pickens Middle School will increase the Overall Perceptions of School Climate from 6.41 out of 10 to 8 out of 10 according to the Department of Education Survey

School Improvement Council

James King - Principal

LeAnn Masters - Instructional Coach

Tracy Moody- Parent

Nick Smith - Parent

Michael Erb - Community Member

Maggie Holder- Student

Brooks Dow- Student

Brick Moody- Student

Ava Sterlachini- Student