

## Achievements

- 2 students received superior ratings on the state and district level theater festival.
- Kentrell Tucker, graduate, received best actor award from Columbia High
- 2 orchestra students made region orchestra
- 4 students made district orchestra ensemble
- 2 students received scholarships to Canon Music Camp in Appalachian State
- Orchestra students traveled to Carowinds and received a superior rating and first place overall
- 12 students were selected to participate in Richland School District's One Honors Choir
- Graduate: Ethan Perkins and Kenneth Gilliam were chosen to be apart of the SC American Choral Director's Association TTB choir at Francis Marion University
- The Female Ensemble were the featured ensemble for the Richland One Hall of Fame Gala and sang for Living Legend Donnie McClurkin
- The Concert Choir performed for the pre-inauguration for the newly elected president of Columbia

College, Dr. John Dozier, a Columbia High Alum.

- The Concert Choir received an EXCELLENT rating at state choral performance assessment.
- 20 dancers participated in Richland One Honor's Dance
- Sincere Taylor, graduate, was recognized as Columbia High's honor dance student.
- Kimora Culp won Artolina Contest at Wonderworks in Myrtle Beach, SC
- Awarded the National Network of Partnership Schools (NNPS) Award for an EXCELLENT program of school, family, and community partnerships.
- Awarded the Magnet Schools Assistance Program (MSAP) grant from the U. S. Department of Education
- Our athletics Department had 9 teams make the post season and 25 All Region Players and 3 Region Players of the Year.
- Zayquaun Buckley for Boys Basketball, Naome Mazembe for Girls Soccer and Musa Robert for Boys Soccer.
- We had 2 All State Wrestlers Tyler Clark and Zion Clarke and 2 All State Track Athletes Lamereon George and Saria Shaw.
- Our Boys Tennis Team are 2024 Region Champs.

## Columbia High School 23-24 SIC Members

### *Elected Members*

Mays, Barkesha	Parent (Chair)
Ancar, Herlene	Parent (Co-Chair)
Campbell, Sasha	Staff (Secretary)
Cannon, Alex'Ziouna	Student
Fagins, Jordan	Student
Ray, Shannon	Student
Wallace, Samantha	Staff
Williams, Yanae	Student

### *Appointed Members*

Blackmon, Francena	Community Member
Diggs, Iris	Community Member
Kirkwood, Johnathan	Community Member

### *Other Members*

Shawn Washington, Ed.D.  
*Principal*

Yolanda Smith  
*Family Engagement Specialist*



## Purpose of the Report

This report is issued by the Columbia High School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

**Columbia High School  
Annual  
School Improvement Council  
(SIC)  
“Report to the Parents”  
2023-2024**



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We are Columbia High School, a leader in transforming lives through education, empowering all students to achieve their potential and dreams.

**Communities in Schools of S. C.  
Midlands (CISSC-M)**

CIS provides Attendance, Behavior, and Curriculum support known as the ABC's along with social emotional learning needs to a focus group of referred students consistently. Schoolwide activities are also implemented beyond the focus group for all students to receive ABC and social emotional support at different times throughout the year.

**Student Achievement**

*Class of 2023 Graduation Rate*

On-Time Graduation Rate: 77.3%

*Class of 2023 CCR Rate*

College/Career Ready: 32.4%

*2023 End-of-Course Exam Pass Rates*

Algebra I	43.0%
Biology I	31.0%
English II	78.0%
U.S. History	33.0%

**Additional Information**

*Demographic Data for 2023-2024*

Average Daily Membership	655
African American	90.5%
Caucasian	3.5%
Hispanic/Latino	23%
Multi-Racial	3.8%
Asian	1.2%
Native American/Alaska Native	0%
Male	51.7%
Female	48.3%

**Additional Items Cont.**

*National Network for Partnership Schools  
(NNPS)*

The School Improvement Council serves as the Action Team for community partnerships.

**SIC Annual Goals**

**Goal 1:** To support and promote the school's vision.

**Goal 2:** To establish partnerships in an effort to support student's needs.

**Goal 3:** To create a climate and culture to strengthen parental involvement and community partnerships.

**SIC Goals Summary**

In the 2023-24 school year, the School Improvement Council collaborated with the Action Team of Partnerships (ATP), Title I Parent Advisory Council (PAC) and the school administration to review the School's Strategic Plan to ensure that the SIC goals are aligned with the school goals. This collaboration was in efforts to create public awareness, strengthen parental involvement, and support the students and staff efforts.

The accomplishments of the SIC for the year include partnership with Heyward Career Center for dry cleaning of male's attire for their monthly meetings and grooming of young ladies and gentlemen in preparation for prom with haircuts, hair styles including weave styles, braids and manicures.