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ABOUT THIS REPORT.....

The School Improvement Council of W.G. Sanders Middle School has prepared the annual school report for you and the community. The report reviews the progress and growth made last year, reviews last year's test scores, and describes plans for improvement this year. Enclosed you will find an account of the progress we made toward accomplishing targeted goals in 2017-2018, as well as, the desired results for student learning that have been made a priority for this school year. If you have any questions about the information summarized here, please contact Andrenna Smith, Principal or Cassandra Davenport, SIC Chair at (803) 738-7575. Also, take the time to visit our school's website at sanders.richlandone.org.

Extra-Curricular Activities

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES:

Educational Talent Search	Step Team
Palmetto Health's Teen Talk	Community Service Projects
ESPN Club	Literary Arts Club
Tigers of Promise	Student Council
FBLA and STEMS Club	National Junior Honor Society
Math and Science Club	W. G. Sanders Pageant Showcase
Tigerettes Girl's Talk Club	Fine Arts Productions
Robotics	Steel Band

So much more!

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

Montessori Program
Career Exploration Magnet
Positive Behavior Intervention Support
Career Fair
School-wide Literacy Programs
Second Chance Breakfast
Safe Routes to School
Restorative Justice
Reading Madness

MISSION STATEMENT:

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



W.G. Sanders Middle School



2017-2018 SIC ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

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At W.G. Sanders Middle School,

"We are Simply the Best!"

School Highlights & Awards

The School Improvement Council of W. G. Sanders Middle School is delighted to share with you the successes and accomplishments that our students and staff have achieved during the 2017-2018 school year. Thanks to a \$15 million federal grant, W. G. Sanders is one of our district's four schools offering a career readiness program. The grant provides for increased leadership and a project-based approach to teaching and learning within the context of specialized thematic career-based units. Having literacy as a school-wide yearly focus, students have engaged in school-wide reads and literacy projects, developed a literacy arts magazine, and participated in Reading Madness activities. Knowing that as this age, adolescents' friends are critical to every facet of their happiness, we have increased options for socializing by beginning to transform our school using The Leader in Me Framework, a FranklinCovey whole school transformation process based on the idea that every child is a leader. Also to ensure a supportive learning environment through this transformation, staff members are trained in restorative practices so that adults can foster a positive, healthy school climate and help students learn from their mistakes. When students come hungry, they can participate in our \$7,000 grant funded Second Chance Breakfast program so they can have that good nutrition needed for improved classroom performance, higher test scores, and better behavior. Other highlights and awards are as follows:

- World Odyssey of the Mind Team Qualifiers (3 Teams)
- District and Tournament Girls Basketball Champions
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- Regional Science Fair Winners
- Soccer Team
- Anti-Bullying Campaign

School Demographics

Total Enrollment: 448

11% White 82% African American
3% Hispanic 4% Other

45 Classroom Teachers
(4 National Board Certified)

Test Information

<u>SC-PASS</u>		2016	2017 Results
Science	Met	49.2	35.6
Social Studies	Met	66.4	58.1

<u>SC Ready</u>		2016	2017
ELA	Approaching	38.4	32.3
	Met	21.0	19.3
	Exceeding	8.5	11.9
Math	Met/Exceeding	29.5	31.2
	Approaching	38.0	29.1
	Met	10.4	14.2
	Exceeding	8.0	9.1
	Met/Exceeding	18.4	23.3

TECHNOLOGY

Each student at W.G. Sanders is afforded the opportunity to receive a Dell laptop, creating a one to one learning environment that fosters critical thinking and creativity through a digital lens. Curriculum is further enhanced through the use of interactive SMART Boards and 2-3 desktops that are readily accessible in every room. Students have access to 2 computer labs, a keyboarding lab, and a distance learning lab, which provides students a connection to outside teaching and learning. Digital technology, such as cameras, Ipads, document cameras, and air slates are utilized to enhance instruction.

Goals for Next Year

- Create a professional learning community culture in which teachers plan and implement effective project-based teaching and learning strategies and exemplary practices
- Implement literacy based strategies in all content areas
- Provide professional development that builds teacher capacity for blending digital resources into their teaching and learning activities
- Expand "Erdkinder" projects
- Expand grade level service learning projects for the school and community
- Increase students scoring passing in English, and math by 5 points as measured by state assessment
- Increase students scoring met or exemplary in science and social studies by 5 points as measured by SCPASS
- Attain 100% of students scoring 70 or above on the End of Course Examination Program assessment in Algebra I
- Make available numerous books matched to students' instructional reading needs, levels, and interests
- Increase the use of restorative practices in the classroom
- Implement The Leader in Me Framework

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