School Organization and Contact

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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 2016-2017, 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 at (803) 738-7575, andrenna.smith@richlandone.org, or by visiting the school's website at sanders.richlandone.org.

Extra-Curricular Activities

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES:

Educational Talent Search Palmetto Health's Teen Talk Peer Mediation B.O.W. Tie Club FBLA and STEMS Club Math and Science Club Tigerettes Girl Talk Club Engineering Community Service Projects

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

Positive Behavior Intervention Support Career Fair School-wide Literacy Programs Fatherhood Café Safe Routes to School Restorative Justice International Festival National Junior Honor Society Student Council

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



2016 – 2017 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 is delighted to share with you the successes and accomplishments that our students and staff have achieved during the 2016-2017 school year. We begin with a celebration of our Literacy Initiatives. We have made exemplary strides in providing literacy support for students and parents through school and community partnership initiatives. We hosted numerous literacy school wide events this year beginning with our Taste of Literacy, Lemonade school-wide novel read, and our Fall into Literacy: Paint and Read Family Night. Our Montessori Program enrollment increased from 50 students to 92 students this year. We expanded our Related Arts program by adding Computer Science, and Steel Drums. Through school-wide collaborations such as service learning projects, an international festival, special needs awareness campaigns, arts productions, and much more, we worked to grow a learning community out of the diverse individuals who attend our school. Our unity was further celebrated as we won accolades as follows: Healthier US Silver School, Silver Safe Route to School, STEM Awards, increased numbers in District Honors Band. Orchestra, and Dance, Richland One School to Watch for Excellence in Business Education, District Classified Employee of the Year, Bookkeeper of the Year, and AMS Certified Montessori Administrator.

School Demographics

Total Enrollment: 445

11% White 2% Hispanic 83% African American 4% Other

45 Classroom Teachers (5 National Board Certified)

Test Information

<u>SC-PASS</u>		2015	2016 Results
Science	Met	46.1	49.2
Social Studies	Met	64.2	66.4

ACT Aspire		2015	SC Ready		2016
English	INoS/Close	45%		Approaching	38.4
	Exceeding/Ready	55%	ELA	Met	21.0
Reading	INoS/Close	73.4 %		Exceeding	8.5
	Exceeding/Ready	26.7 %		Met/Exceeding	29.5
Writing	INoS/Close	81.5 %		Approaching	38.0
	Exceeding/Ready	16.8 %	Math	Met	10.4
Math	INoS/Close	79.9 %		Exceeding	8.0
	Exceeding/Ready	20.1 %		Met/Exceeding	18.4

Note: INoS = In Need of Support

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 2-5 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 Leaning-Focused Lessons that connect research-based 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
- Establish "Erdkinder" projects
- Implement a minimum of 5 new clubs a year
- Implement 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
- Implement English I for identified 8h grade students
- Expand the Restorative Justice Program in Tigers of Promise
- Increase the participation in the school's arts and athletic programs

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