

## School Organization and Contact

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mrs. Selina Latimore - Principal  
Mrs. Cheryl Chandler - Chair  
Mrs. Tara Samuel - Vice Chair  
Vacant– Secretary

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

Myah Woods	Dana Amaker
Claudie Henryhand-king	Terrisa Staley
Princess Lloyd	Erica Williams
Keith Washington	Clemmie Bright Washington
Tammy Coleman	

### ABOUT THIS REPORT.....

The School Improvement Council of John P. Thomas Elementary 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 2020-2021, 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 Mrs. Selina Latimore, Principal, or Mrs. Cheryl Chandler, School Improvement Council Chair at (803) 735-3430.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

### CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES:

Archery Team  
Student Council  
Curriculum Family Nights  
Girls Circle/ Boys Council  
Second Grade Swimming Lessons  
JPT News Show  
DARE Program  
Principal's Writing Wall of Fame  
Brothers of Excellence  
Girl Scouts  
Girls on the Run  
Safety Patrol  
Spring Fling  
Reading Matters

### SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

Very Important Person (VIP)  
Parent University  
Comprehensive Remediation Program/Tiger Pride Academy  
Barron Academy After-school Program  
R.O.A.R. Project  
City Year  
Real Men Read  
AVID  
Mindfulness  
Capturing Kids' Heart  
Saks of Luv Weekend Backpack Program  
Junior League of Columbia

### MISSION STATEMENT:

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

## John P. Thomas Elementary School



### 2021 – 2022 SIC ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

Columbia, South Carolina 29203  
Office (803) 735-3430  
Fax (803) 735-3369  
School Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

### Our Mission:

John P. Thomas Elementary School will promote academic excellence and enable students to become productive, knowledgeable, and responsible citizens with integration of technology, the support of family and involvement of community partnerships.

At John P. Thomas Elementary School,  
*“Believe in the Possibilities”*

## School Highlights & Awards

Adequate Yearly Progress  
2008-2009, 2009-2010, 2010-2011

AdvancEd District Accreditation

US Healthier School Challenge Award  
2012 Bronze Recipient  
2013 Silver Recipient  
2015 Gold Recipient  
2018 Gold Recipient  
2019 Bronze Recipient  
2020 Bronze Recipient

Bethlehem Baptist Church  
Saks of Luv Weekend Backpack Program

### SCHOOL AWARDS

2012 Customer Service Award

## School Demographics

Total Enrollment

1.5% White

88.5% African American

3.8% Hispanic

6.2% Other/Two or more Races

21 Homeroom Teachers

**(3 National Board Certified Teachers)**

## Test Information

### SC READY TEST RESULTS 20-21

**(Exceeding and Ready)**

### SCPASS SCIENCE AND SOCIAL STUDIES

**(Exceeds/Ready or Exemplary/ Met)**

**KRA**

**(Approaching/ Demonstrating)**

**\*These scores were in the year of the Pandemic and parents could opt out of testing**

\*English Grades 3-5: 14.8%

\*Math Grades 3-5: 13.8%

\*Science Grade 4: 16.7%

\*Social Studies Grade 5: not tested

KRA Kindergarten: 64.6%

### TECHNOLOGY

Smartboards / SMART TVs

Document Cameras

Nook Colors

IPADs/Mini-Ipads

DELL Laptops

NEO2's

Five Brainchild Devices

Digital Learning Environment 1:1 (Grades k-5)

Video-conference equipment

Webcams

### MAJOR GRANTS RECEIVED

Conservation Collaborative Projects

Target Physical Education Grant

Fishing Program Grant

USC Nature Based Inquiry Grant

South Carolina Safe Routes Grant

Fruit and Vegetable Grant

Toshiba Grant

## Goals for Next Year

- ✓ To increase annually, student knowledge of major content areas as measured by SC READY and SC PASS until the percent meets or exceeds the statewide average **(Student Achievement)**
- ✓ To increase the level of parental involvement beyond school-based activities,
- ✓ To ensure that students in JP Thomas Elementary become proficient readers by third grade **(Student Achievement)**
- ✓ To increase the proficiency in technology for each student **(Student Achievement)**
- ✓ Create a professional learning community that ensures that faculty and staff are knowledgeable, competent and productive **(Teacher Quality)**
- ✓ To create, maintain and enhance a school environment that is child-centered, safe and healthy **(School Climate)**
- ✓ To enhance and annually increase parent-school partnership, in regards to home-school relations as measured by parent and student surveys **(School Climate)**

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