

## School Organization and Contact

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mrs. Selina Latimore – Principal

Mrs. Threasteen Cannon –  
Chair

Mrs. Tara Samuel - Vice Chair

Vacant– Secretary

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

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### 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 2022-2023, 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. Threasteen Cannon, 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

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

Student Advocacy (prek-5<sup>th</sup>)

### 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



### 2022-2023 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,

*“Together We Make it Happen”*

## 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  
3% White  
86.1% African American  
2.4% Hispanic  
8.5% Other/Two or more Races

18 Homeroom Teachers  
(3 National Board Certified Teachers)

## Test Information

**SC Ready TEST Results 22-23**  
**SC PASS Science**  
**(Exceeds/Ready or Exemplary/Met)**

\*English Grades 3-5: 22.8%

\*Math Grades 3-5: 22.2%

\*Science Grade 4: 16.9%

**KRA Test 22-23**  
**(Approaching/ Demonstrating)**  
KRA Kindergarten: 45.1%

### 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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