

## School Organization and Contact

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### ABOUT THIS REPORT.....

The School Improvement Council of Brockman Elementary 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. If you have any questions about the information summarized here, please contact Mrs. Sharonda Giles, or Mr. Peter Duffy, SIC Chair, at (803) 790-6743.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

### CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

- After School Programs - 4H Nature Nurturers, Girl Scouts, Dance, Odyssey of the Mind, and Good News Club.
- PTO sponsored events - Brockman FUNd Run, Brockman Bash, Earth Day Celebration, End-of-Year Family Picnic, Monthly Teacher Luncheons, and Teacher Appreciation Week Recognition
- Upper Elementary Safety Patrol
- Green Team/Recycle Team
- Annual End-of-Year Family Picnic
- WBES News Club
- Bears on Track Running Club

### SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- "Wee" Deliver – school-wide literacy program and student-centered communication postal system
- Community Service Opportunities – Supplies for Harvest Hope, Diaper Drive for First Steps, Box Tops for Education, Pennies for Patients and March of Dimes
- Strings and Chorus – musical programs
- FUNd Run – PTO school-wide fundraiser (health/nutrition-based)
- Capturing Kids' Hearts Program – part of National Network of Partnership Schools (NNPS)
- Brockman Student Showcase: For Students, By Students – school newsletter by students
- Wellness program - "Dance Your Heart Out" Wellness
- International Day of Peace & Peace Dove Award Ceremony
- Montessori Bridging Ceremonies – students bridge up to the next Montessori level
- Move Up Day – students visit their teacher and class for the next school year
- Parent Education Workshops: Summer Playdates for New Families, Learning At The Hands of the Child, Parent Education Nights and Workshops, Parent Book Club, and Brockman Buddies Program for New Families
- Bear Aftercare Program – school-based aftercare
- Life Skills Teas – monthly character trait tea

### MISSION STATEMENT

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



## Brockman Elementary School



### 2020-2021 SIC ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

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## School Highlights & Awards

Brockman was recognized this year for overall student academic achievement by the US Department of Education for the 2017 National Blue Ribbon Award.

Additionally, Brockman earned the Let's Move! Active Schools Recognition Award: 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2018. Brockman was also a recipient of the Silver Award for the Alliance for a Healthier Generation Healthy Schools Program in 2018 and the Bronze Award in 2019. This is a national recognition award for creating a healthy school environment that promotes physical activity & healthy eating among students and staff.

## School Demographics

**Total Enrollment = 275**

% White = 78%

% African American = 15%

% Hispanic = 5%

% Other = 2%

**15 Homerooms**

**28 Certified Staff 25 Classified Staff**

**15 National Board Certified**



## School Mission & Vision

### School Mission

We the staff, students and community of Brockman, guided by the philosophy of Maria Montessori, exist

- To establish and maintain a child-centered environment that allows the freedom to explore, cooperate and become;
- To encourage the growth of the "whole child" - body, mind and spirit;
- To provide our children with the learning tools to evolve into motivated, self-reliant, responsible and caring individuals;
- To celebrate and appreciate each person's uniqueness;
- To improve the quality of life for our children by working hand in hand with each other; and
- To provide an academic environment that promotes excellence and the desire to achieve.

### School Vision

The four building blocks of a Learning Community are its: Mission, Vision, Intentions and Goals. We, the Brockman Learning Community, are committed to the mission outlined above. Our vision for Brockman, what we hope to become, is as follows:

- A vibrant learning community in which everyone feels respected and valued;
- An authentic model of the Montessori philosophy in harmony with public school education;
- A leader in education, a catalyst for change; and
- A wise community of joy + beauty + peace

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## Goals for Next Year

**Student Achievement:** Brockman Elementary will continue to achieve a rating of Excellent on the SC State Report card. Brockman Elementary students will show growth as evidenced by achieving a rating of excellent in the Student Progress Indicator of the SC State Report card.

**Teacher/Administrator Support and Staff Development:** Brockman Elementary will continue and expand staff support and professional development by clearly defining the scope and sequence for Montessori instruction, and providing ongoing opportunities for teachers and staff to grow in their understanding and application of the Montessori philosophy.

**School Climate:** Brockman Elementary will increase parent and family learning and engagement opportunities by 30% over the five-year period in order to improve the school climate through the emotional, affective, and behavioral growth of the community, particularly for students, staff and parents, based on the Montessori philosophy.

