

School Improvement Council

Our School Improvement Council is an advisory council to the school principal and school consisting of parents, teachers, and community members. Monthly meetings focus on issues related to school improvement.

Elected

- Pamela Ball, SIC Chair
- Dorwoah Counts, SIC Vice Chair
- Michelle Hawkins, Secretary
- Sarah Venn, Parent
- Sharon Adams, Teacher

Appointed

- Lydea Proctor, Community member
- Edward Griffin, Community member

Additional Members include:

- Hilary Dickerson, parent

Ex-Officio

- Katie Barber, Principal
- Jessie Williams, Assistant Principal

Parent Teacher Organization representative:

- Sarah Venn, President

Leader in Me

The Leader in Me (LiM) framework is an evidence-based, comprehensive school improvement model—developed in partnership with educators—that empowers students with the leadership and life-skills they need to thrive in the 21st century.

Our School Improvement Council plays a key role in the development of student leadership at Pontiac by also serving as our Parent Lighthouse Team. This team brainstorms ideas on how they can promote and enhance the Leader in Me model within Pontiac and at home. Each meeting agenda for this team is aligned with the Leader in Me principles, culture, leadership, and academics.

Student Leadership Opportunities:

- Recycling Club
- Student Lighthouse Team
- AVID Ambassadors
- Flag Patrol, Pledge Leaders, and Safety Patrol
- News Show
- Wake Up Wednesday
- Stars and Stripes Military Club
- Tech Ambassadors
- School Store



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Our Vision

We will strive to create a community of joyful leaders and learners where everyone feels valued through meaningful collaboration, effective communication, and an appreciation of individual strengths.

School Hours
Office Hours : 7:30am-4:00pm
School Hours: 8:00am-2:50pm

Total student enrollment = 689
Serving students from age 3 through 5th grade

SIC Highlights and Partnerships

SIC Partnerships include:

United Way of the Midlands

Richland Public Library

BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina

Pontiac Parent/Teacher Organization

Grace Presbyterian Church

Verizon

Our School Improvement Council was recognized as a finalist for the 2020 Riley Award for our focused efforts on student achievement in the area of literacy. This year, our SIC increased community partnerships and hosted a Books and Biscuits event to celebrate student readers! We held a well attended family literacy event for K-2 students to support literacy in homes. We also participated in the district's Ready to Read book collection. The team will continue to find creative ways to support literacy efforts for our school.

Student Information

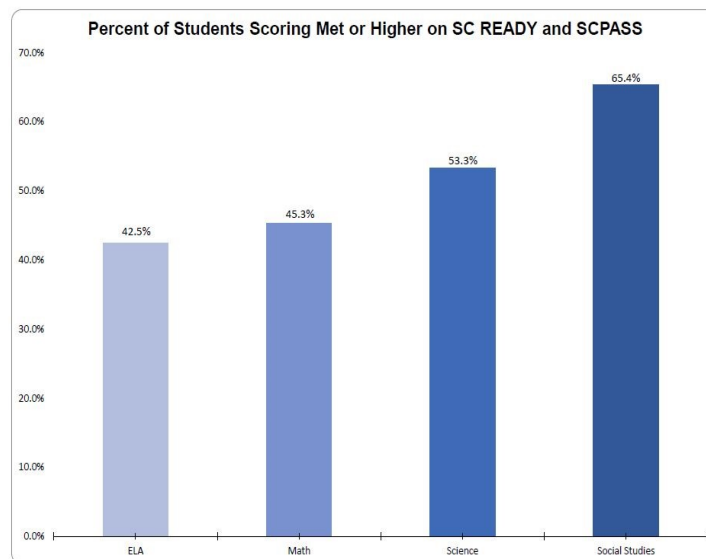
Percentage of:

African American	56%
White	19%
Asian	2%
Hispanic	16%
Other	7%

Number of teachers 56

Number of National Board Certified 8

2019 Student Achievement



School Improvement Council Annual Goals

To increase student achievement in the area of literacy through the work of continued community partnerships.

To develop leadership skills in students by utilizing Stephen Covey's Leader in Me framework.

To create a culture of college and career readiness.

To promote a partnership among students, parents, school, and the community.

To provide a college scholarship to a graduating senior at a Richland Two high school that attended Pontiac Elementary as a 5th grader.

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Our Beliefs

At Pontiac Elementary, we believe it is important to foster leadership by developing each student's full potential.

At Pontiac Elementary, we believe that communication and collaboration lead to success.

At Pontiac Elementary, we believe that critical thinking will help prepare our students to be global citizens.

At Pontiac Elementary, we believe that school safety is a shared responsibility.

At Pontiac Elementary, we believe that building community within our school creates a trusting learning environment.

At Pontiac Elementary, we believe in creating awareness of college and career opportunities.

At Pontiac Elementary, we believe that real world connections inspire our students to achieve their personal best.