



## Tips on How to Decipher the School's Acronyms

As parents and guardians navigating the world of school district policies, procedures and routines trying to decipher school acronyms can leave your head spinning! We are here to help. While you can find all of this information on the district and individual school websites, we thought it would be helpful to have a guide to better understand what we as educators refer to in the world of teaching.

**BCSD** – Beaufort County School District **HHIE** – Hilton Head Island Elementary School **MLL or ML** – Multilanguage Learners (*students coming from other countries who are learning English as their second language*) **MLP** – Multilanguage Learner Program **ELA** – English Language Arts **IEP** – Individualized Education Program (*given to eligible children with unique needs*) **RTI** – Response to Intervention (*a support program when additional support is needed for literacy, math or behavior or all three*) **GT** – Gifted & Talented **SPED** – Special Education Department (*support and services provided to eligible children to address their unique needs*) **PTO** – Parent Teacher Organization (*elected parents who work with the school for fundraising, event planning and classroom support*) **SIC** – School Improvement council (*elected parent, teacher and community representatives who set goals for school improvement*) **SCED** – South Carolina Education Department (*the organization who sets our state standards for curriculum*) **iReady** – (*online program for reading and math that regularly assess students needs and learning styles*) **IXL** – (*online program that generates personalized guidance in math, reading, science, social studies*) **ELP** – English Language Proficiency **PNL** – Parent Notification Letter **ILAP** – Individual Language Acquisition Plan **MAP** – Measurement Academic Progress **PBIS** – Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports **IB** – International Baccalaureate (*educational program*) **PYP** – Primary Years Programme (*inquiry based educational program*) **STEM** – Science Technology Engineering & Math **CKLA** – Core Knowledge of Language Arts (*language arts curriculum*) **ROCK** – Reflective, Open-Minded, Caring, Knowledge

**These are just the most common acronyms. If you run in to one not mentioned here, please reach out to your teacher or parent liaison for help!**

## Important Dates



DECEMBER 2022							JANUARY 2023						
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31	29	30	31				

December 8th  
 Winter Performance  
 by Singing Otters and  
 HHIE Cast 5:30-7:00pm

December 20-January 5  
 Winter Break

January 5th – Students Return

January 16th – No School MLK Jr Day

January 22nd- Chinese New Year





### SIC Meeting Schedule

**Tuesday, September 13th 5:30–6:30**

**Tuesday, October 11th 12:00–1:00**

**Tuesday, November 15th 5:30–6:30**

**Tuesday, January 10th 12:00–1:00**

**Tuesday, February 14th 5:30–6:30**

**Tuesday, March 14th 12:00–1:00**

**Tuesday, May 9th 5:30–6:30**

## THE NUTRITION GROUP

Download the Nutrislice App today to follow the menu and nutrition facts.

<https://thenutritiongroup.biz/parents-caretakers/nutrislice/>



MENU

or

Go to [hie.beaufortschools.net](http://hie.beaufortschools.net) then choose the menu icon for easy access.

## ROCK SHOP up and running

our PBIS committee worked very hard to get our ROCK SHOP up and running this quarter. The shop is where students can spend their hard earned ROCK CARDS.

These cards are earned by displaying the attributes of the IB learner profile and following school classroom essential agreements.

**OPEN Tuesday & Thursdays**  
before school and the last Friday of the month for classes to visit.

## ALL PARENTS INVITED

### SIC Meetings

While SIC (School Improvement Council) does have elected members and assigned school representatives, all parents are welcome. This collaboration between our families and school is so important and we want your input. Our principal shares updates and current happenings. Our local community members share their events and opportunities for our families. Teachers and staff are there to talk about how to implement the feedback.

SIC meets only once a month and with an RSVP, we offer Spanish translation, and light refreshments.

Feel free to contact your SIC Chair, Sarah Linkimer, and council members at [hhibesic@gmail.com](mailto:hhibesic@gmail.com).