



Hilton Head Island High School SIC

Annual Report to Parents & Community

2023-2024



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“Palmetto’s Finest” Award Recipient

“SC SIC Riley” Award Recipient

“SC SIC Report to Parents & Community” Award Recipient

HHIHS Administration

Principal: Steve Schidrich

Assistant Principals:

Klinton Aites

Kristen Austin

Fred Hunter

Athletic Director:

Joe Monmonier

What is the SIC?

In South Carolina, a School Improvement Council is an advisory council to the principal and school on issues related to school improvement. By law, every K-12 public school in South Carolina must have a SIC that is made up of parent, teacher, student (grades 9-12), and community member representatives. The principal is an ex-officio member of every SIC. A SIC may create additional ex-officio positions such as the school’s Teacher of the Year, PTA or PTSO President, or a past SIC Chair.

Purpose of the SIC Annual Report

Each year the SIC and our administration are charged with preparing an Annual Report to the Parents/Community in accordance with South Carolina law. The purpose of this report is to serve as an overview of the school year’s progress towards goals and objectives outlined in the School Improvement Plan. Here you will find many facts, success stories and an overview of our school improvement goals. We at HHIHS are fortunate to have teachers and staff who go above and beyond for our students and their families. I am proud to serve as a parent leader in the HHIHS community and personally ask that you consider becoming involved in our efforts to make our school the best it can be. - *Mike Quigley, SIC Chair 2023-24*

SIC Goals

GOAL 1: PROMOTE THE 2023 BCSD BOND REFERENDUM

- ACTIONS TAKEN:**
- SIC had input in designing the new school
 - SIC received updates on design of school from architects
 - SIC community members lobbied for passage of referendum

GOAL 2: CONTINUE OVERSIGHT OF 2019 REFERENDUM FUNDING FOR HHIHS IMPROVEMENTS

- ACTIONS TAKEN:**
- Members of the BCSD School Operations Team gave monthly updates at monthly SIC meetings.
 - SIC met with school administrators to discuss progress of projects.

GOAL 3: INCREASE COMMUNITY AWARENESS OF HHIHS

- ACTIONS TAKEN:**
- Hosted Career Day on April 24th, with nearly 60 speakers from the community
 - Continue to support the Hilton Head Island High School newspaper, produced by students and teachers, to be distributed digitally and in print to residents of Hilton Head.

GOAL 4: INCREASE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

- ACTIONS TAKEN:**
- Hosted a Parent Workshop prior to SIC meeting on college scholarships, admission and FAFSA application.
 - Updated and revised Parent Handbook for HHIHS parents. Available in English and Spanish.

GOAL 5: PROVIDE FEEDBACK AND INVOLVEMENT IN WRITING OF SCHOOL 5-YEAR PLAN

- ACTIONS TAKEN:**
- Two SIC meetings dedicated to discussing and creating goals for 5-year plan

GOAL 6: HELP PROMOTE AN ORGANIC LAND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

- ACTIONS TAKEN:**
- Sent SIC letter to BCSD Superintendent with our request for more organic products and trying to avoid use of toxic chemicals where students and staff work and play.

2023-24 School Improvement Council (SIC) Members

The School Improvement Council (SIC) is an advisory council to the Principal and school and is made up of parents, teachers, students, and community members.

- Steve Schidrich, Principal HHIHS
- Mike Quigley, SIC Chair, Parent Representative
- Anjie Olander, Vice Chair, Parent Representative
- Beth McCune, Secretary, Parent Representative
- Audrey Clayton, Parent Representative
- Kristin Keller, Parent Representative
- Jennifer Walter, Parent Representative
- Lisa Fleming, Parent Representative
- Kandy Martin, Parent Representative
- Amber Clark, Parent Representative
- Andrea Guess, Parent Representative
- Lori Hall, Parent Representative
- Keri Olivetti, Parent Representative
- Christopher Linkimer, Parent Representative
- Patricia Schoelkopf, Teacher Representative
- Mary Beth White, Teacher Representative
- Jan Davis-Vater, Community Representative
- Carole Korner, Community Representative
- Kristen Hamilton, Community Representative
- Wendy Serpe, Community Representative
- George Westerfield, Community Representative
- LJ Bush, Community Representative
- Bill Payne, Community Representative
- Cathy Robine, Community Representative
- Kelly Ruckno, Ex-Officio Member/PTSO liaison
- Jenifer Fielding, Ex-Officio Member/Past Chair
- Anthony Bynum, Student Representative
- Lynda Young, Student Representative

HHIHS 2022-2023 School Report Card

HHIHS received a rating of “Good” on the 2022-2023 SC School Report Card. Good is defined as “school performance exceeds the criteria to ensure all students meet the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate.” School Report Card data is taken from <https://screportcards.com/overview/?q=eT0yMDIzInQ9SCZzaWQ9MDcwMTAwMw>.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Test Information Diploma Programme (DP) examination results over the last four years

The International Baccalaureate® (IB) aims to do more than other curricula by developing inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who are motivated to succeed. The DP curriculum is made up six subject groups and the DP core, comprising theory of knowledge (TOK), creativity, activity, service (CAS) and the extended essay. A minimum score of 4 on the National Standardized IB end of course test is required for college credit.

Year	IB Courses Offered	Number of Candidates (students) Examined	Number of IB Diploma Candidates	Diplomas Awarded	Exams Administered	Scores of 4-7
2023	20	105	23	20	228	178
2022	15	105	13	13	190	163
2021	20	140	28	27	322	245
2020	22	176	30	22	402	281

Strategic Plan Goals for HIIHS

Goal 1: For the 2023-24 school year, HIIHS will have an on-time graduation rate of 90%.

Goal 2: For the 2023-24 school year, HIIHS will have 80% of the graduating class will be designated College or Career Ready.

Goal 3: During the 2023-24 school year, 72% of those students who take the English 2 State End of Course will score C or Higher.

Goal 4: During the 2023-24 school year, 50% of those students who take the Algebra 1 State End of Course will score C or Higher.

Goal 5: During the 2023-24 school year, 55% of those students who take the Biology 1 State End of Course will score C or Higher.

Goal 6: During the 2023-24 school year, 54% of those students who take the US History State End of Course will score C or Higher.

Goal 7: During the 2023-24 school year, 50% of the Multilingual Students at HIIHS will meet their English Proficiency Growth Target on the ACCESS test.

Goal 8: During the 2023-24 school year, 83% of those students at HIIHS who take an IB course will receive a 4 or higher on the IB assessments.

Goal 9: During the 2023-24 school year, 65% of those students at HIIHS who take an AP course will receive a 3 or higher on the AP exam.

Goal 10: At the end of the 2023-24 school year, HIIHS will have 88% of teachers return for the 2024-25 school year.

Mission of HIIHS

The mission of Hilton Head Island High School is to prepare each student to become a productive, responsible citizen in a complex, global, technological age that requires lifelong learning. To fulfill this mission, we believe it is important to:

- Provide rigorous, balanced curriculum and exemplary teaching
- Maintain a disciplined, highly academic atmosphere and expect the best from every student
- Foster personal responsibility, citizenship, and civility by enforcing high standards of student behavior
- Work in partnership with family and community to help each student succeed
- Provide an environment in which excellent teachers thrive
- Provide quality facilities and technological resources to enhance learning
- Promote tolerance, trust and respect among all members of our multicultural school community
- Provide a safe, inviting and stimulating school environment
- Provide educational opportunities suited to each student's developmental needs and potential

SNAPSHOT OF THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Top of the Class 2024**
Valedictorian - Gray Rezzetano
Salutatorian - Susana Mogil
- **2024 Senior Scholars**
24 HHIHS Seniors were named BCSD Senior Scholars
- **National Merit Scholarship Finalists**
Benjamin Guitierrez
Nikhil Krishna
- **US Senate Youth Program National Semifinalist**
Garret Simons
- **The State of SC Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year**
Julianna Vega
- **Incubate/Debate National Finalists**
Garrett Simons
Elizabeth Markowitz
Malika Krishna
- **SC State Fair Professional Competition**
Kimberlee Smith - 1st place in Digital Media
- **2024 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Competition**
48 Winners from HHIHS
- **High School Regional Coastal Museum**
Kay Tolly - Directors Award (\$100)
Rhiannon Curter - Jurors Award (\$50)
- **2024 Promising Picasso Art Competition**
Jonathan Eleuterio Candelario - 1st Place
Honora Mayers - Honorable Mention
Laila Weaver - Star of Merit
- **Jostens North America Photo Contest**
Ashlynn Fleming - Honorable Mention
- **SC ART Education Association Youth Competition**
Honora Mayers - 2nd Place
- **2023 ART Education Association Member Exhibit**
Monique Dobbelaere
- **DECA Competition National Finalists**
Carmine Genovese
Emeli Perez Morales
- **FSI All-Star Teacher of the Year Finalist**
Jeremy Williard
- **BCSD School Counselor of the Year**
Cheryl Dopson
- **BCSD Principal of the Year**
Steve Schidrich
- **9th Place 4A Carlisle Cup**
- for overall Best Athletic Program 2023-24
- **14 Students to sign NLI to play College Athletics**
- **4A State 106lb Wrestling Runner-up**
- Bryce Stephenson
- **Region Player of the Year - Boys Lacrosse**
- Brady Saba
- **Region Player of the Year - Tennis**
- Hailey Poplin
- **Region Coach of the Year - Boys Lacrosse**
- Andrew Pernice
- **Region Defensive Player of the Year - Football**
- Shaikh Thompson
- **All State - Wrestling** - Bryce Stephenson
- **All State - Golf** - Brooke Niclaus
- **All State - Swim** - Jason Voelkel
- **All State - Cross Country** - JD Gilman
- **All State - Cross Country** - Drake Edmonds
- **All State - Tennis** - Hailey Poplin
- **All State - Tennis** - Sophie Tauscher
- **Senior N/S All Star - Tennis** - Grant Pagatpatan
- **Senior N/S All Star - Lacrosse** - Maddie Massey
- **Shrine Bowl - Football** - Shaikh Thompson
- **30 All-Region Athletes through part of Spring 2024**

WINNER of 2023 State Riley Award for SIC Excellence

HILTON HEAD ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL'S SIC WAS RECOGNIZED AT A BCSD BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MAY 16, 2023, AND PRESENTED WITH THE 2023 SC SIC RILEY AWARD TROPHY AND BANNER FROM SC SIC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TOM HUDSON.

THE HONOR OF RECEIVING THE 2023 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA RILEY AWARD FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT EXCELLENCE IS GIVEN TO ONLY ONE SCHOOL IN THE STATE ANNUALLY. THIS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD RECOGNIZES AN SIC'S EXCELLENCE IN THEIR COMMITMENT TO SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT EFFORTS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

THIS RECOGNITION WAS BASED ON OUR SIC'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR, LED BY THEN SIC CHAIR, JENIFER FIELDING.

