

Our Mission

GBMS is committed to preparing students for lifelong success by providing educational oppourtunities so that students have options for the future.

Our Core Values

Innovation, Integrity, Investment, and Community

Annual Goals

By the end of the 2024-2025 school year the percentage of our students, parents and teachers satisfied with the learning environment, physical environment, and home school relations will increase to 86% or higher.

By the end of the 2024-20245 academic year, Guinyard-Butler Middle School students will demonstrate academic proficiency as measured by SC READY reading and math test results. The average number of students scoring MET or Exceeds will be above the state mean.

By the end of the 2024-2025 academic school year, the number of core academic subject area teachers who maintain certified status will be 100%.

SIC MEMBERS

- Hillary Hindman, Parent (Chair)
- Heather Peters, Teacher
- Melissa Easterling, (Secretary)
- Tabitha Miller, Parent
- Susan Ingram, Community Member
- Amanda Smith, Assistant Principal (ex-officio)
- Henrietta Williams, Principal (ex-officio)
- Cecile Price, Guidance (ex-officio)

This report is issued by GBMS in accordance with South Carolina law to share information about the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

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Guinyard- Butler Middle School



- May 2025 -

Home of the Mighty Warponies

School Happenings

The GBMS Junior Chapter of the National Beta Club inducted fifty-four students who exemplified academic achievement, positive character, leadership and service. GBMS was recognized as a National BETA School of Merit for the 24-25 school year. GBMS has 80 National Beta Club members.

The GBMS National Junior Honor Society inducted twenty students who demonstrated scholarship, service, leadership and character. NJHS has 30 members.

Two 8th Grade GBMS students were recognized as S.C. Jr. Scholars for their outstanding performance on the PSAT.

GBMS had 245 students participate in a school-wide science fair with 62 awards given. Twelve first place winners entered the District Science Fair in March. Three of the first place awards were recognized as 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention winners.



Fifty GBMS students visited Williamsburg, Virginia in April. The students visited the historic Jamestown settlement, the first permanent English settlement in North America, colonial Williamsburg and the American Revolutionary Museum at Yorktown. The students gained valuable insight into Colonial America and the

Revolutionary War. They also were able to view archaeological sites and learn how scientists study historic artifacts.

Grants & Funding

Teachers received DHEC Recycling Grant, SRNS Mini Grants, Publix Grant and the Tri-County Community Foundation Grants. Teachers also received classroom supplies and materials through Donors Choose.

Enhancing Curriculum

All GBMS students are currently using Chromebooks and utilizing the Google classroom platform to access instructional content and assignments.

During the 24-25 school year, GBMS offered three high school credit-bearing courses for identified students. Those courses are Algebra I, English I, and Spanish I. Thirty students participated in the 7th Grade Talented and Gifted program at GBMS during the 24-25 school year.

Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports (MTSS) are utilized at GBMS to ensure the needs of targeted students are met academically, behaviorally, socially, and emotionally through a holistic and personalized system of learning.

GBMS offered STAR Academy as a STEM-driven and hands-on program proven to advance and inspire students through project-based learning and technology-driven curriculum.

The GBMS Media Center has been refurbished with new carpet and moisture protection ensuring a comfortable learning environment for students. Two Scholastic

book fairs were held and raised over \$2000 for the school library. Story time for self-contained classes was held weekly and reinforced students interaction with literacy and books. The Biography section is currently being rejuvenated.

GBMS in the Community

GBMS continued its partnership with DIG, whose mission is to develop STEM opportunities to further rural growth and development through education, mentorship, recreation, and community engagement.

GBMS continues to partner with the AXIS 1 Center of Barnwell to offer students an enhanced health learning component within their physical education course.

GBMS participated in community service projects such as a Keep the County Beautiful, the toy drive and a canned food drive for the needy.

Student Activities

GBMS students participated in Band instruction at school. Several students participated with BHS Scarlet Knights Marching Band.

Middle school level sports offered at GBMS included football, basketball, baseball, volleyball and cheerleading. Several GBMS student-athletes also had the opportunity to compete at the Varsity and Junior Varsity levels.

GBMS had 13 athletes participate in the Area 3 Special Olympics Spring Games. The athletes received 14 medals including gold, silver and bronze.