

Principal's Report 10/15/2018

Charter Goals

Goal #1 Show an annual increase in the percentage of graduates that are college and career ready as defined by the state.

Goal #2 Show an annual increase in student participation in additional rigorous coursework through positive relationships, community building activities, family engagement, and student support.

Goal #3 Show an annual decrease in the achievement gap for historically underachieving populations (SPED, ELL, socio-economically disadvantaged and minority students).

Objectives:

2018-2019 Communication Goal: To maintain an effective communication plan with all relevant stakeholders for the 2018-19 school year using a variety of media tools.

2018-2019 School Safety Goal: Improve school safety by implementing recommendations from the CCSD Department of Safety and Security and SLED during the 18-19 school year.

Academics/School Update of Events

10/15/17 Heightened Security Code Yellow Lockout Timeline

7:40 am- CPD recommends JICHS on a Code Yellow Lockout. The police activity is on Williams Road. Due to the close proximity, all staff and students were brought into the main building. Staff and students in trailers or other outside facilities were moved to the cafeteria.

8:15 am- CPD gives JICHS the all clear to end the Code Yellow.

8:20 am- CPD puts JICHS back on Code Yellow. Staff and students in trailers or other outside facilities were moved to the cafeteria.

9:15 am- CPD gives JICHS the all clear to end the Code Yellow.

9:25 am- CPD puts JICHS back on Code yellow (report of shots fired on Williams Road).

10:40 am- CPD recommends that we go on a modified Code Yellow as a precaution. CCSD Security Department and CPD recommended that continue with the school day, but keep students and staff from the trailers and other outside areas of the campus for the remainder of the school day.

1:28 am- CPD gives the all clear to JICHS. The modified Heightened Security Code Yellow Lockout was lifted (CPD apprehends subject).

3:00 pm- Dismal was conducted as normal. After school activities resumed as scheduled.

9/15/18 Open House- The event was well attended. Leadership is considering moving the date closer to the start of the school year.

10/5-10/13 Homecoming Week (schedule of events is below)

A special thank you to the members of the Spirit Committee and Student Government for all their hard work in planning such an incredible Homecoming week for our students (Andrea Quinn, Regina Cox-Washington, Elizabeth Gunther, Emily Beyoglides, Lisa Ahrens, Emily Crocker). A thank you also to the staff that volunteered to attend, manage, or chaperone the events (Jacklyn Schoen, Admin, Sarah Bainbridge, Charles Bateman, Jody Evans, Lindsey Jensen)

10/10 College Board Testing Day

Freshmen took the PSAT 9. Sophomore and Juniors took the PSAT. Junior and Seniors had the choice of taking the SAT. We had 91 students take the SAT. Results from the test enable Juniors to qualify for National Merit Scholarship as well as others. The results from PSAT will also give us AP Potential numbers for our students, which will allow us to target more students for advanced coursework.

PLC's continue to meet every Wednesday. PLC's were asked to focus on the following questions:

- What standard(s) was taught last week?
- Based on your student work, what percentage of students mastered the standard(s)?
- What strategies did the teacher provide for students who mastered the standard(s)?
- What strategies did the teacher provide for students who did not master the standard(s)?
- What are our next steps in regards to this standard? (Will we continue teaching this standard or move on to the next one)

The fourth Wednesday of each month is dedicated to cross-curricular meetings, which are held in the Media Center.

Staff Recognition

Shout Out Survey

Ms. Spann has been sending out a weekly survey to staff and students to recognize staff that is making a difference in our students' lives. A drawing from the list of nominees is conducted once a week. The winner gets a \$25 gift of their choice (free gift cards from reward points).

Examples:

- Coach Hilyer, congratulations on being this week's gift card winner from our "Shout Out" Survey. Stop by Ms. Chisolm's office to select your card. Thanks, Coach Hilyer for your years of dependable and dedicated service!
- All teachers do their job, but some thrive in that job. All of my teachers seem to be the best at their job. They make it a fun environment to learn and they do a good job at teaching it.
- Congratulations to Kim Cohn on being this week's "Shout Out" weekly winner! Thanks for all you do for our students, in and outside of the classroom!
- Congrats to Lorne Walker!!! Mr. Walker always makes class enjoyable. We do lots of fun activities that help me personally learn. Whenever there is questions or concerns I have he makes sure to help me. He is always good about greeting me in the hall in the morning. Mr. Walker is good at understanding things that you tell him. He's an amazing teacher and I'm happy I have him this year.
- Last week's "Shout Out" gift card winner is Mr. Ducworth. When asked why this student respects Mr. Ducworth, the student wrote that "He truly cares about how his students succeed. He will always make class fun." Congratulations Mr. Ducworth! Please see Ms. Chisolm to select your gift card.

Faculty Recognition Committee

The committee does a monthly "Shout Out" to two staff members. They receive various gifts, get recognized on the announcement, and their picture goes a bulletin board in the hallway. This committee is planning fun events for staff throughout the year. They have planned for food trucks once a month on Fridays for teachers. The first food truck event was on October 5, Rolled Quesadillas. It was a tremendous success.

Charity Work

- We won the PB&J Blitz again, 2-0. This time we beat Stratford. Comment from fundraising coordinator: **“Your school is certainly a rock star Hunger Hero of the challenge and it has been a joy to work with your staff! Our staff is working on collecting the bins from your school and Stratford. Once I get the final weights, I will be able to give the numbers. We were able to calculate you as a winner because you collected approx.. 1.5 barrels full (approx. up to 375 pounds) and raised \$673.60 in the second round whereas Stratford collected 2 barrels (can be up to 450 pounds) and \$0. \$1=10 pounds so we could confidently say your school was that rounds. Once we pick up the barrels I should be able to let you know official numbers! We appreciate your patience as we start to get some of our trucks back to the tri-county area after hurricane Florence.”**
- Mrs. Johnson’s classes, in conjunction with Mr. Neloms, is participating in “Buckets for Haiti”. The contents of each bucket can sustain a family in Haiti for up to a month.
- During Homecoming week, JICHS supported James Island Outreach through jeans days, an email blast to parents and at the Homecoming game.

Team Sports Classes Issues

- Students in-season taking a team sports classes are essentially having two practices, which is affecting their ability to perform in their current sport.
- Students athletes are dropping courses to take a team sports class- IB Science went from 27 to 12.
- We have students athletes that are not considered college or career ready, lack the GPA, and are not eligible to compete at the division 1 level through the NCAA Clearing House because they have not taken the required coursework.
- A committee has been formed involving relevant stakeholders (teachers, counselors, coaches, the AD, and admin) to work through these issues.

Student Achievement Data

SC State	Number Tested	Mean	% A	% B	% C	% D	% F
Algebra 1	60489	68.4	9.1	14	20.9	24	32
Biology 1	56738	69.5	16.2	16.3	16.7	18.3	32.6
English 1	58645	74.4	18.9	20.4	22.8	18.6	19.2
U.S. History and the Constitution	51730	69.9	12.8	16	21.4	20.8	28.9
CHARLESTON DISTRICT (1001999)							

	Number Tested	Mean	% A	% B	% C	% D	% F
Algebra 1	3965	71.3	14.1	16.4	20.4	23.4	25.7
Biology 1	3606	73.2	25	17.2	15.4	14.4	27.9
English 1	3488	75.4	25.8	18.3	18.8	16	21.2
U.S. History and the Constitution	2985	71.3	17.3	15.6	22.1	17.2	27.8

JAMES ISLAND CHARTER HIGH (1001616)

	Number Tested	Mean	% A	% B	% C	% D	% F
Algebra 1	370	71.6	9.5	20	24.9	24.3	21.4
Biology 1	504	78.4	28.2	24.4	18.1	15.3	14.1
English 1	425	78.6	30.8	20.9	19.3	14.6	14.4
U.S. History and the Constitution	344	73.1	12.2	21.8	29.4	19.5	17.2

17-18 Projected Report Card Data from CCSD.

	JCHS	Report Card	Projections	18-19
Category	Total Points	Rating	Good Range	Excellent Range
Academic Achievement 25% (math and English)	15.65	Good	13.45-15.90	15.91-25
Preparing for Success 10% (Science and SS)	6.01	Good	530-6.19	6.2-10
College and Career Readiness 25%	81.80%	Excellent	70-79.9	80-100
Graduation Rate 25%	20.35	Excellent	16.01-19.99	20-25

Facility Use

We are contracting with SchoolDude, an event management platform, to manage our facilities use. SchoolDude is used by CCSD and Dorchester 2 for work orders and event management. Since CCSD eliminated the Community Education position, this burden has fallen us to manage. We have done an adequate job so far, but this event management system would streamline the overall process for internal and external clients, which will reduce our costs in the long run. The prorated cost for this year is \$3,000. The annual cost is approximately

\$4,000. The cost of the platform will be embedded in rental fees so we will continue to generate revenue while providing better customer service.

Evaluations

- SCTS 4.0- The admin are all certified to conduct SCTS 4.0 evaluations.
- All teachers being evaluated have completed the required SCTS 4.0 Orientation. The new system is a coaching model, which consists of pre-conference meetings, a full-period evaluation, and a post-conference meeting (POP cycle).
- The entire must be complete in 7 days, otherwise, you must restart the process. Overall, the 4.0 evaluation system appears to be a more effective model. However, the new system is much more labor intensive for administrators.
- For the first time recent history, all staff members are being evaluated. Every staff member has an assigned evaluator with a defined evaluation tool and timeline.

Staff Professional Development

Teachers will attend training on Family Data Conferences on 10/17/2018.

Technology- Matt Gilbert

Chromebooks --- All 250 new ones are in use. This is how we are using them so far.

- (1) Testing - We are in better shape but we still can't cover the entirety of an EOC exam without displacing CTE classrooms.
- (2) Research! Research skills are being taught across the curriculum
- (3) Reduced paper and printing
- (4) Math Department: Khan Academy, IXL, data collection, data analysis for prob and statistics and higher level math courses, Brian pop, quizlets, Kahoots!, ACT, SAT, investment and real estate options
- (5) English Department: Test reviews, writing (word processing), [noredink.com](https://www.noredink.com) for mastery learning objectives that require students to identify the parts of speech and utilize formal grammar, Kahoots!, annotated bibliographies, ability to use research databases that were previously only available in the media center, support games (that aren't blocked by the filter), Achieve3000, ACT, SAT, making use of online anthologies and textbooks (free resources that would require class sets and per pay), web-based research, building creative writing and journalism publications, Audio books
- (6) CTE: Research, research, research, Google Docs, Google applications, project-based assignments, making videos, slideshows, presentations, personal finance and apps that involve learning about credit, insurance, mortgages, rent, college expenditure, monthly budgets, compare and contrast to other places similar to Charleston, recipes, fractions, career specific research, evaluating fashion designers, chefs, real estate options, housing appliances, investment options., loans , textbook supplement
- (7) Science Department: test review, Achieve3000, Virtual Frog dissections, Virtual Science labs, Java Apps and games that address core state learning standards, distance, velocity, acceleration, periodic table elements, Brain Pop, YouTubes, Research, Weather, Department of Natural Resources, National Geographic, Human Body for Anatomy and Physiology

(8) Fine Arts: SmartMusic for band students needing additional practice or making students accountable for logging in practice, research involving art mediums.

(9) Social Studies Department: EOC test prep, USATestPrep, Google Classroom, primary and secondary source examinations, Kahoots!, Google Earth, geography apps, examining historic documents, examining current events, News Segments, Research! IB research documents, DBQs (document based questions)

(10) Special Education: Addressing specific IEP and 504 requirement, audio-visual assistance, educational games and activities to address improving gross motor skills, font enlargement for the visually impaired, writing, reading, Achieve3000,

(110) World Languages: recording, writing, reading comprehension, YouTubes, French culture, Hispanic culture, grammar practice, pictograms to vocabulary, Google classrooms

Enrollment Update

Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th	9-12
10/15/18	437	411	393	334	1575
9/17/18	441	415	399	338	1593
8/20/18	436	422	406	337	1601
6/1/2018	430	412	342	370	1554

School Choice Application

We will again be participating in the School Choice Application through CCSD. This was a tremendous success last year for our school. We were able to complete the open enrollment process in the spring, which enabled us to determine our staffing allocation needs for the next year.

Construction Update

Interviews are scheduled on 10/17 and 10/18 for six top-rated firms for JICHS CTE& Competition Gym project.

The project budget is \$22 million. The project is scheduled to be completed by the end of the 2022 school year. The interview panel consists of representatives from CCSD, Cummings, and myself. JICHS will have input in every step along the way so that the new addition meets our needs.

School Safety Update

Safety Bulletin

- Electronic gate is operational with limited access codes distributed to only those with a need.
- Gate locking/unlocking schedule formalized and shared with parking lot staff.

- Safety team is fully staffed with teacher and faculty volunteers
- Updated fire escape maps are ready to be delivered to every classroom
- 9/4 Safe Plans site assessment
- 9/10 Bus evacuation drill
- 9/21 Classroom Search (nothing found)
- 9/26 Active Threat Lockdown/Heighten Security Lockout: Some things were done very well and there are some areas that need improve. Additional training will be provided to the staff.
- 9/27 Admin was made aware of a snapchat video showing a student holding what was believed to be a firearm. Mr. Edwards, Mrs. Jessup and Officer Brown went to search the student's car and were advised by the student that he had a plastic toy gun in his vehicle. The toy was located and nothing else of significance was found in the vehicle. The toy was confiscated by Mr. Edwards.
- 10/3 Parent reported that her son overheard another student talking about another student possibly bringing a gun to school. Mr. Edwards, Mr. Drake and Officer Brown brought that student into the office and searched him. Nothing was found and the student was advised.
- 10/8 K9 Sweep (nothing found)
- Fire Drills
 - o 8/28
 - o 9/17
- Security towers screenings
 - o An average of 500 students are searched each day we do the screenings
 - o Two pocket knives and a couple juuls have been found
 - o Dates:
 - § 8/29, 8/31, 9/6, 9/7, 9/20, 9/24, 9/25, 9/27, 10/4, 10/5, 10/9

Board Meeting Dates

2018-19 Board of Directors- 5:30 pm on the third Monday of the month.

8/20, 9/17, 10/15, 11/12, 12/17, 1/28, 2/25, 3/18, 4/15, 5/20, 6/24

2018-19 Finance Committee - 4:30 pm on the second Monday of the month.

8/13, 9/10, 10/8, 11/12, 12/10, 1/14, 2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13, 6/10

Calendar of Events

10/23 End of First Quarter	11/15 River Bluff Visit- Flexible
10/25-26 Family Data Conferences	Modular Scheduling
10/25 JICHs and CRMS Fall Concert 7 pm	11/19-20 Weather Makeup Days
11/6 Election Day	11/21- 11/25 Thanksgiving Break
11/8 CCSD Countywide Principal Meeting	

11/8 SCPCSA Board Training 6 pm 11/12 Finance Committee Meeting 11/12 Board of Directors Meeting	11/28-29 Annual SC Public Charter Conference- Charleston 6/8/19 Graduation
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Executive Session (Personnel matters, Contract matters, Privacy of a student, and Legal Counsel)

Legal Issue, Personnel,

Meeting Notes

	Notes	Vote

Homecoming Events

Friday 10-5-18

Theme → Color Wars (each class has a different color),

9th - Blue

10th - Green

11th - Yellow

12th - White

Monday 10-8-18 Schedule 13

Dress Up Day → Country vs. Country Club

During Advisory → NHS Sell Spirit Links, Count Dress Ups, Door Decoration for Door Decoration Contest or Decoration for Gym for Pep Rally on Friday

After School → **Swag Night**

Come tie-dye some JI swag (T-shirts/socks etc.) to prep for the game on Friday.

Grade Level spirit sheets to hang at Pep Rally and game.

Location: Science parking lot

Tuesday 10-9-18 Schedule 13

Dress Up Day → Celebrity/Character Day

During Advisory → NHS Sell Spirit Links, Count Dress Ups, Door Decoration for Door Decoration Contest or Decoration for Gym for Pep Rally on Friday

After School → **Battle of the Bands/Lip Sync Battle/Karaoke**

Students play their own arrangements and throw down...Band Style.

Students battle each other lip-syncing to a song of choice.

Held in auditorium (**Cancelled for a later date**)

Wednesday 10-10-18 Testing Schedule (Not a late in, but is early out)

Dress Up Day → Rep Your Team/Jersey Day

After School → **Movie on the Yard (cancelled because of storm.)**

Bring Blankets and chairs to watch a movie on the football field

Student Council will sell concessions

Thursday 10-11-18 Schedule 13 (School cancelled because of storm.)

Dress Up Day → Trojan Toga Day

During Advisory → NHS Sell Spirit Links, Count Dress Ups, Door Decoration for Door Decoration Contest or Decoration for Gym for Pep Rally on Friday

After School → **Stairwell Decorating/Paint your Spot**

Stairwell Decorating (Spirit Club) Seniors: by the gym. Juniors: by the cafeteria. Sophomores: by 700/800 hall.

Freshmen: by guidance.

Paint Your Spot - Students decorate parking spots with chalk

Freshman Mixer in Cafeteria

Volleyball Dig Pink Night vs. Wando → Upperclassmen are encouraged to attend the game and show support after decorating their parking spots

Bonfire (After Mixer and volleyball game in the back loop)

Friday 10-12-18 Schedule 10

Dress Up Day → Blue and Orange

During Advisory → NHS Sell Spirit Links, Count Dress Ups, Door Decoration for Door Decoration Contest or Decoration for Gym for Pep Rally on Friday

During Lunches → Senior Picnic

After School → **Faculty Tailgate**

At Game → Announce Homecoming Contestants during halftime/Call for Alumni Pride

Saturday 10-13-18

Homecoming Dance in the Gym -Theme-->Under the Sea (Semi-Formal)

- DJ
- Light Refreshments
- King and Queen Announced

*Decorating done by Student Council and Dance Team

See HOCO Dance Doc for more info

Music will be played between classes throughout the week Collecting \$ for pie in the face (@ the pep rally) will be taking place all week.