



Hillcrest Middle School

SUMTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Greetings Hillcrest Students and Parents,

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year. It is my esteemed pleasure to welcome you back to face-to-face instruction. We are happy to have you here! A very special thank you goes out to each of you for your support, patience, dedication, and resilience during the last seventeen months.

Our continued commitment to academic excellence and our mission that students will succeed through academics, citizenship, and service is paramount. We have plans to assist students to reconnect socially, emotionally, and academically back into the learning environment. We ask that all students return with a PAWSitive Mindset (Positive attitude, Ask questions, Work until completion, Succeed by staying focused) and an open mind.

The Hillcrest Faculty and Staff are looking forward to an active and productive partnership with you to ensure that your child can reach his or her highest potential. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve and work with you.

To prepare for the opening of school, please find below some important information.

Hillcrest Middle School

Principal: Tarsha B. Stagers

Assistant Principal: Lauren Cantey

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School Day: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

School's Website: <http://hms.sumterschools.net>

School's Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/hillcrestmiddlewildcats>

New Student Orientation

New Student Orientation will be held Thursday, August 12th at 5:00 pm. During orientation, the faculty will be introduced, an overview of the student handbook will be provided, and other important information concerning the opening days of school will be covered as well.

Open House

Open House will be held Aug 26, 2021, from 5pm until 7pm. All students and parents are welcome to attend.

Parent University

Parent University is scheduled for September 16, 2021. Questions regarding how to maneuver through Schoology, Google, and our other school programs as well as information regarding student expectations will be addressed.

6th Grade: 7pm

7th Grade: 6pm

8th Grade: 5pm

Drop-off/Pick-up Procedures: Drop-off time for car riders is no earlier than 7:30am. Adequate supervision is not available before this time. Car riders should be dropped off and picked up in the back of the school at the student drop-off/pick-up area. The entrance to the student drop-off/pick-up area is on Old 521 and goes around to the back of the school. Please do not use the teacher parking lot to drop-off/pick-up students.

Parents are always welcome at Hillcrest Middle School. We invite our parents to visit their child's class or have lunch with their child. Guests should report to the front office immediately upon arrival and secure a visitor's pass.

Sincerely,

Tarsha B. Stagers

Vision: We envision a school where the major emphasis is on the development of the total child and students achieve simultaneous gains in academics, citizenship and service.

Mission: Believing, achieving, and succeeding through academics, citizenship, and service.

Sumter School District is an equal opportunity employer.