

S.C. School Improvement Council

“Civic Engagement in Public Education”

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Thirteen schools named to S.C. School Improvement Council Honor Roll for 2008

COLUMBIA – Thirteen South Carolina public schools have been named to the S.C. School Improvement Council’s (SC-SIC) 2008 Honor Roll for their noteworthy efforts to foster civic engagement in public education.

The SC-SIC’s annual Dick and Tunky Riley School Improvement Award was created in 2002 to recognize the significant contributions made to public education by the more than 15,000 School Improvement Council members who volunteer in every public school in the state.

Five finalists from this year’s Honor Roll schools will be identified late next month, with one to be selected as the winner of the Riley Award. The award will be announced at the SC-SIC’s 2008 Annual Conference, March 8, in Columbia.

SC-SIC Honor Roll schools for 2008 are:

Annie Burnside Elementary (Richland School District 1), Columbia
Bell’s Crossing Elementary (Greenville County Schools), Simpsonville
Bookman Road Elementary (Richland School District 2), Elgin;
Camden Elementary School of the Creative Arts (Kershaw County School District), Camden
Lake Forest Elementary (Greenville County Schools), Greenville
Laurel Hill Primary (Charleston County School District), Mt. Pleasant
Meadowfield Elementary (Richland School District 1), Columbia
Monarch Elementary (Union County School District), Union
Paul Knox Middle (Aiken County School District), North Augusta
Pineview Elementary (Lexington School District Two), West Columbia
Silver Bluff High (Aiken County School District), Aiken
Stone Academy of Communication Arts (Greenville County Schools), Greenville
Sue Cleveland Elementary (Greenville County Schools), Piedmont

“We honor the work that these schools and their SICs are doing everyday to engage their communities to support the success and well-being of their students,” said SC-SIC Board of Trustees Chairman Jeff Nicholson. “It takes a concerted commitment of educators, parents and taxpayers for our public schools to achieve at the levels we know they’re able.”

Located in the University of South Carolina’s College of Education, the SC-SIC provides training, resources and technical assistance to parent, community, staff, and student members of legislatively-mandated SICs in every South Carolina public school.