



Florence Chapel Middle School

290 Shoals Road, Duncan, SC 29334



School Summary Report 2018-2019

Florence Chapel Middle School is "Leading the Way" in our district with exceptional academic, artistic/musical, and athletic opportunities for our students as well as opportunities to serve within the community. Our mission is to provide every student a quality educational experience in a safe, nurturing, and engaging environment, enabling each individual to succeed in life, and function as a productive citizen. Our students and teachers at Florence Chapel Middle School go above and beyond our expectations.

At Florence Chapel, we offer a variety of opportunities for students to display their talents and abilities-- not just in the core subject classroom, but in related arts classes, athletics and with service learning projects. Florence Chapel has forty-one Junior Scholars this year, five Duke Tip Scholars, and our very own Will Chastain was honored for having the highest combined PSAT score in Spartanburg County. Our TSA team has been named SC State Champion for the fourth time in the past five years. Our band and orchestra programs have participated in various events and festivals across our state and have received Superior ratings. Many of our students participate in drama, musicals, and have had their artwork displayed. We expect our students to grow in their academic, artistic, and athletic talents. They continue to rise to new heights and impress us every year.

Literacy is woven throughout the fabric of our school, and is the responsibility of all members of the FCMS staff. Cross-curricular reading and writing take place within all types of classrooms. The school reading interventionist, in accordance with last year's literacy plan, communicated and gave practical examples for the faculty which culminated in an outstanding Family Literacy Night this year. Parents and students had opportunity to experience reading and writing strategies through short workshops. In all, nineteen varied sessions integrated our One Book, One School initiative with the best practice strategies teachers have used in our building, and in many of these workshops, students presented what they had learned during their literacy experience this year.

Florence Chapel is only as successful as it is because of the support we receive from our school community and district leaders. Our PTO, SIC, parents, and our "Adopt a Cougar" mentors, all have the same focus in mind, which is to prepare our students for a very bright future and to teach them how to LEAD.

2018-2019 School Improvement Council Members

Tammy White, Principal

Ingrid Anderson, Assistant Principal

Josh Kay, Assistant Principal

Alicia Crutchlow, SIC Chairperson

Cassie Cullison, Student Body President

Brook Wiant, Teacher Representative

Dawn Mitchell, Community Representative

Officer Moultrie, Community Representative

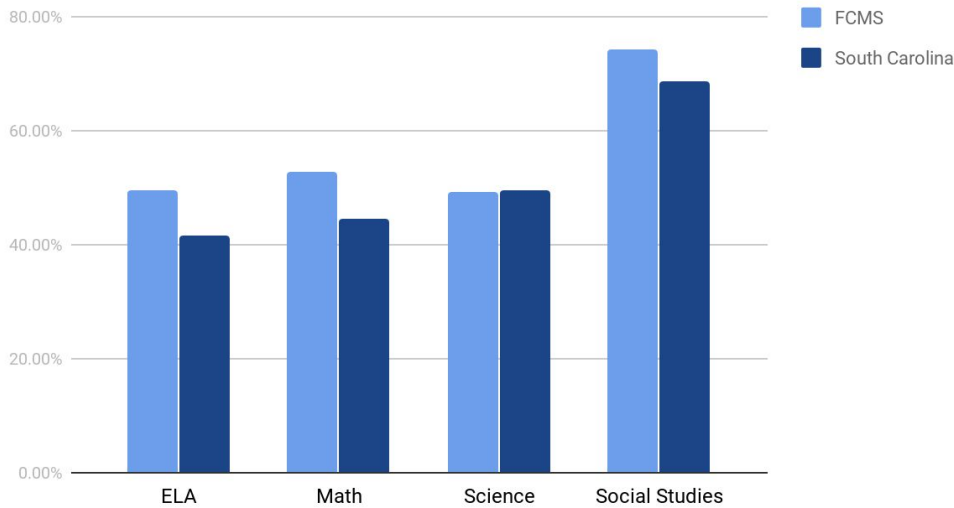
Mary Azbel, PTO President

Ginger McGarity, Parent Representative

Assessment Results

SC Ready, SCPASS, and End of Course Assessment Data

Percent Scoring Met or Exceeding



End of Course Testing

Percent of Tests with Scores of 60 or above:	
Algebra 1	100%
English 1	98%

Excellence in Academics

- Forty-one students were recognized as Junior Scholars, accounting for 16% of Spartanburg County's award winners.
- Five students were named Duke TIP Scholars
- Six students were selected for the Scholars Academy.
- Will Chastain was individually honored for having the highest combined PSAT score in Spartanburg County.
- One student was selected for SC Early College High School.
- Ethan Carter was our Spelling Bee Champion. Charles Dugaw was our Runner Up.
- The majority of our teachers received the Read to Succeed endorsement this year through professional development.
- Cathy Damm was named Florence Chapel Teacher of the Year
- Patti Fowler was named Florence Chapel Support Employee of the Year.

Excellence in Athletics

The boys basketball team finished second in the conference with a record of 8-2.

The 8th grade football team went 5-2 on the season, while the 7th grade team finished 2-5

The all conference players for this year were:

Volleyball - Austyn Harris, Ashlyn Burnett

Football - Ryan Blodgett, Zachary Evans, Jaden Copeland, Ethan Morris, James Oates, Qmazia Watson, Jesse Burnett, Caleb Melton, Landyn James, Clay Morris, Josh Swindler, Rashard Wright

Boys Basketball - Kayzzin McDowell, Wykell Ladson

Girls Basketball - Tessa Rice, McKae Rice

EXCELLENCE IN EXPLORATORY CLASSES

Band

- The Seventh Grade Honor Band earned Superior with Distinction at the SCBDA CPA event
- Eighth Grade Honor Band performed at the Grand NAI at the Atlanta Symphony Hall.
- The following students earned positions in the SC All-State Band: Alayna Phillips, Audrey Durham, Jaden Anders, Spencer Jones, Jack Eitel, Ethan Carter, Kendall Montgomery, Whitney Durham, Annabelle King, Sarah Grant
- Jack Eitel earned the SC Middle School Bandsman of the Year award.



Orchestra

- Both the Seventh and Eighth Grade Orchestras earned Straight Superior Ratings at the 2019 SCMEA CPA event.
- Molly Turner and Charlotte Whitesell were selected for All-State Orchestra.



Robotics

- Robotics had another successful season with four teams qualifying for State Championships.



Technology Student Association

- Our students won the SCTSA 2019 State Championship and their advisor, Crystal Pelkey won SC TSA Advisor of the Year!



Art

- Our art students had their masterpieces displayed at school, the District Five Fine Arts Center, and the Chapman Cultural Center.



Drama

- We started our first ever musical theatre course for 8th graders. The group produced the show "Lion King" and performed a piece from their show at the Broadway Jr iTheatrics Celebration in Charlotte, NC in March 2019.
- Produced Seussical with Berry Shoals Drama. The show featured nearly 75 students who were singing, dancing, and acting onstage.
- At SCSTA the school was awarded 3rd place for musical theatre performance in the state!
- At the SCTA One Act festival, the team was awarded an Excellent rating



Chorus

- Our chorus students performed the National Anthem at a Byrnes Football game and sang carols for the Greer Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- Selected students performed with the Spartanburg Sings Honor Chorus this year



COMMUNITY SERVICE

This year, all Florence Chapel students, faculty, and staff read *I Will Always Write Back* as part of our One Book, One School initiative. We learned how Caitlin and Martin started as pen pals (one from America and the other from Zimbabwe) and how they became best friends and better people. It inspired us to look at the world beyond our own lives, and find ways that we could make the world a bit brighter.

Service projects were completed by every grade level team and several clubs, including Beta Club, Student Government Association, and Pro-Team.

Students collected donations to benefit the Middle Tyger Food Bank, Hope Center for Children, Spartanburg Humane Society, Relay for Life, March of Dimes, and Shoes 4 Water.

