



"Cougar Country"



Florence Chapel Middle School
Summary Report School Year 2013-2014

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Florence Chapel Middle School is a student-centered school with an outstanding, supportive environment that allows students every opportunity to succeed.

Our faculty remains committed to the development of students in areas of academics, athletics, fine arts, and service to others. We are proud to say that our students achieved success in each of these areas. Our students continue to score high in their PASS tests compared to the state. Our ESEA grade improved last year to 94.9 – A. We are continuing to strive to improve our students' scores in all areas.

This year thirty of our eighth grade students were named South Carolina Junior Scholars for their outstanding scores on the PSAT. Seven of our seventh grade students, received state level recognition as Duke University TIP scholars for their exceptional ACT/SAT scores. Our school-wide reading initiative was very successful with every teacher focusing our students on reading/writing in all classes.

Our athletic program had a very successful year in volleyball, basketball and cheerleading, with undefeated teams in seventh grade football, eighth grade football and wrestling.

Our fine arts program did an exceptional job this year working on the artistic, dramatic and musical talents of our students. Our orchestra and band programs received superior ratings in their competitions and our students' artwork is proudly displayed across our county and in every hallway of our school. Our Technology Student Association was named First Overall SCTSA Chapter for middle schools.

Service is a very important part of our school, allowing students to take leadership roles and give back to the community. Our students served the community through their participation in Relay for Life, Pennies for Patients, Spartanburg Humane Society, Middle Tyger food drives, paper recycling, and many other opportunities.

We realize all of this is possible because of the continuous support provided by our parents, PTO, School Improvement Council, mentors, as well as business

leaders, who have been integral to the growth of our students.

We have all worked together to make this year a positive one. We encourage you to continue to be involved.

Tammy White, Principal
Alicia Crutchlow, SIC Chairman



MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of District Five Schools of Spartanburg County is to provide every student quality educational experiences in a safe, nurturing, and engaging environment, enabling each individual to succeed in life and function as a productive citizen

SCHOOL RENEWAL PLAN FOR FLORENCE CHAPEL 2011-2016 OBJECTIVES

- Improve: Student Achievement
Teacher/Administrator Quality
School Climate
School Infrastructure

STRATEGIES

- Tutoring Services
- Differentiated Instruction
- Vertical/Horizontal Collaboration
- Establish Support System
- Provide programs and activities to increase student and parent awareness of appropriate student behavior
- Provide measures to deter inappropriate student behaviors
- Provide programs and activities to increase student attendance
- Provide programs and activities to increase faculty attendance
- Provide programs and activities to increase home/school communications
- Involve all students in service-learning opportunities

LIMITED SCHOOL CHOICE

Through our Limited School Choice Program, parents in District Five may apply to have their child (ren) attend a school outside of their attendance area. Please be aware that transportation is not provided for students who attend a school outside of the attendance area. Applications and information can be obtained on the District Five website, at any school in the District, or at the District Five Administrative Offices. Each school year, there is a cut-off date for application. This year, the cut-off date was March 28, 2014. Florence Chapel is closed to school choice for 2014-2015.

2013 REPORT CARD RESULTS FOR FLORENCE CHAPEL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Absolute Rating – Good
Improvement Rating – Below Average
ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System
94.9-A Performance substantially exceeds the state's expectations.
Adequate Yearly Progress – No

VISION

District Five Schools will pursue exemplary educational opportunities and academic excellence in order to improve the quality of life for our students and community.

**BELIEFS/GOALS OF
FLORENCE CHAPEL MIDDLE SCHOOL**

WE BELIEVE THAT...

- Children are our most valuable resource.
 - Public education is a pillar of our society.
 - Integrity is taught by example.
 - Excellence is achievable.
 - Mutual respect is beneficial.
 - Knowledge empowers.
 - Diversity strengthens.
 - Family is the foundation of society.
 - Children need supportive adult role models.
 - Attitude makes a difference.
 - Learning is a lifelong process.
 - Personal responsibility serves the common good.
 - Stewardship of resources maintains trust.
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FACULTY/STAFF HONORS

Florence Chapel teachers have earned the following honors:

Ann Turner- Distinguished Teacher of Reading for Spartanburg County

John Walko- 2013-14 Teacher of the Year

Barbara Bryant- 2013-14 Support Employee of the Year

Many of our teachers are in the process of completing Advanced Degrees.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL COMMITTEE (SIC)

This committee serves as an advisory committee to help make Florence Chapel a better place for students to learn.

Tammy White, Principal
Ingrid Anderson, Assistant Principal
Christopher McCants, Assistant Principal
Alicia Crutchlow, Teacher, **SIC Chairman**
Laura Correll
Joy Crile
Shannon Everett
Kermit Johnson
Mackenzie Marcum
Dan Minor
Regina Mullis
Christopher Partin
Tony Quillen
Terry Stephenson

