

# Florence Chapel Middle School School Improvement Council 2022-2023 Report to the Community

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"COUGARS LEAD THE WAY"

## 2022-2023 SIC MEMBERS

### PARENTS:

BETSY CALL (CHAIR)  
LADEIDRA HAWKINS  
KERMIT JOHNSON

### TEACHERS:

KATELYN OHLER  
NATHAN STEWART  
JOHN WALKO

### APPOINTED MEMBERS:

ERIK GRAYSON  
TERESA FERGUSON  
CHERISE CROSBY

### EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

JOSH KAY, PRINCIPAL  
INGRID ANDERSON, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL  
GEORGE AUSTIN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL  
KIM MALCOLM, PTO REPRESENTATIVE  
ELLIOTT MCCARTHY, TEACHER OF THE YEAR,  
2021-22

## 2022-2023 SIC FOCUS GOAL

### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:

OUR GOAL WAS TO REACH 54.5% ON OR ABOVE GRADE LEVEL FOR IREADY MATH. WE REACHED THIS GOAL, AS OUR STUDENTS SCORED 55%. ADDITIONALLY, OUR GOAL WAS TO REACH 59.5% ON OR ABOVE GRADE LEVEL IN IREADY READING. WE FELL SHORT AT 56%.

HOWEVER, **MORE STUDENTS REACHED THEIR GOALS IN READING THIS YEAR** COMPARED TO LAST, AND NEARLY **HALF OF OUR MATH STUDENTS REACHED THEIR STRETCH GOALS**, WHICH DEMONSTRATES AMBITIOUS GROWTH.

THE FCMS SIC DISCUSSED DATA AND PLANNING IN ORDER TO REWARD OUR STUDENTS FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE WITH AN ACHIEVEMENT CELEBRATION THANKS TO OUR PTO, POPLAR SPRINGS FD, AND OTHER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS.

SC School Report Card Data:

2021-2022 Rating: Exemplary

Serving grades 7-8

2022-2023 Enrollment: 859 students

Principal: Josh Kay

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**Principal's Message:** Florence Chapel Middle School is proud to serve the community of Duncan and its surrounding areas in Spartanburg District Five. We show our pride by embracing high expectations for student achievement, social and emotional growth, and excellence in sports, fine arts, and every other task to which we put our hands. Though our staff members and students hail from many different backgrounds, we come together as a family under the banner of our community, knowing that the responsibility to prepare someone to live an examined life is a weighty one. This year, we focused on the concepts of Integrity, Teamwork, Positivity, and Work Ethic--all elements of what makes for a successful, well-prepared SC Graduate. Though we at times encounter adversity, we address it with control, kindness, and a willingness to persevere. Our students, through word and deed, rise to the occasion and make us proud to call them Cougars!

## OVERVIEW OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- CHRISTY HEWITT, OUR AVID TEACHER, WAS FINALIST FOR D5 TEACHER OF THE YEAR.
- KATELYN OHLER NAMED OUTSTANDING YOUNG MUSIC EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR.
- FCMS ORCHESTRA PLACED 17 STUDENTS INTO THE REGION ONE HONORS TEAM.
- SRO FERGUSON HONORED AS DUNCAN POLICE DEPT. SRO OF THE YEAR.
- THREE STUDENTS SCORE PERFECT SCORES ON MATH / SCIENCE STATE TESTING
- WRESTLING TEAM WINS THIRD STRAIGHT PEACHTREE CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS.
- THREE STUDENTS QUALIFY FOR ALL-STATE BAND; INVITED TO STATE CPA.
- BOYS' AND GIRLS' BASKETBALL BOTH GO TO PLAYOFFS.
- SHOW CHOIR PRESENTED *A NIGHT ON BROADWAY*.
- 43 NEW BETA CLUB INDUCTEES, 17 NEW BETA CLUB MEMBERS.
- FIRST EVER ACADEMIC SHOWCASE.
- ROBOTICS TEAMS QUALIFY FOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.
- 2 MATH STUDENTS WIN FIRST AND SECOND PRIZE IN STATE STOCK MARKET GAME.



## OVERVIEW OF PROGRAMS

- THREE MENTORING PROGRAMS: FIREPIT RANCH, ADOPT-A-COUGAR, AND TOPS.
- RICH CAREER EXPLORATION FOCUS WITH LUNCH AND LEARNS, FIELD TRIPS, AND CAREER ASSESSMENT.
- CARNEGIE UNIT COURSES INCLUDE HONORS ENG I, ALG I, ALG 2, FUNDAMENTALS OF COMPUTING A & B, AND SPANISH I)
- STAND ALONE AVID PROGRAM WITH TUTORING AND COMMUNITY SERVICE.
- EXEMPLARY, AWARD-WINNING ARTS PROGRAMS (BAND, CHORUS, ORCHESTRA, DRAMA, AND ART).
- CLUBS INCLUDE SGA, BETA CLUB, FCS, AND ROBOTICS.
- SPORTS OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, LACROSSE, SWIMMING, WRESTLING, VOLLEYBALL, TRACK, BASEBALL, GOLF, TENNIS, DANCE TEAM, FISHING, CHEER, COLOR GUARD, SOCCER, SOFTBALL AND MARCHING BAND.
- DEDICATED OLWEUS AND SEL TRAINING PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTED WEEKLY IMPROVING STUDENT SELF-EFFICACY.

### PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT:

**“THIS REPORT IS ISSUED BY THE FCMS SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL IN ACCORDANCE WITH SOUTH CAROLINA LAW TO SHARE INFORMATION ON THE SCHOOL'S PROGRESS IN MEETING VARIOUS GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, THE WORK OF THE SIC, AND OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR.”**