

School Goals

- The percentage of students in grades 6 - 8 who meet and exceed the standards in English/Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies measured by the PASS assessment will increase as detailed below:
The percentage of students in all test areas who meet or exceed the standards will increase by ten percent.
- The percentage of teachers/administrators with highly qualified status will be maintained through 2014.
- The number of discipline referrals will decrease by 30% by 2014.

Our Beliefs

1. All of our students are capable of learning.
2. Each child is a worthy member of the student body and has the potential to achieve.
3. A safe and inviting school environment will help to promote student learning.
4. Proficient performance is the foundation for building knowledge.
5. Challenging expectations for students encourage positive performances.
6. Education is the key to improving social and economic status.

Message to Parents and Guardians

Dear Parents/Guardians:

It is a pleasure that we provide you with the 2012-2013 *Annual Report to Parents* in accordance with the South Carolina Finance Act of 1977. Each year we set goals and identify strategies that will enable us to continue to enhance our educational practices, and our continued success would not be possible without you.

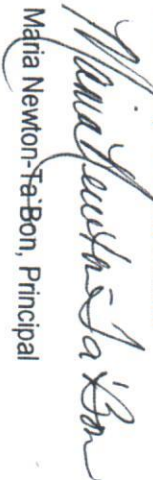
Through the cooperative efforts of parents, students, faculty, staff, and administration, Furman Middle School has continued to experience growth in many areas. Furman Middle School, in cooperation with our students' homes and the community, strives to prepare students for responsible citizenship, lifelong learning, and productive employment.

We encourage all parents to become involved in their child's education through participation in the School Improvement Council, the PTSA, and through special events and activities. Furman Middle School will continue to shine when parents, students, and faculty work together for all students' education.

Sincerely,



Allison Shields, President
School Improvement Council



Maria Newton-Fa-Bon, Principal

School Awards, Honors, & Recognition

- Furman Middle School raised over \$1,000 for Pennies for Patients
- Football and Basketball Coach, Kevin Miller, was named Middle School Football and Basketball Coach of the Year
- Boys back to back regular season and conference Basketball Champs
- Girls Conference Basketball Champs
- SC Science Olympiads
- Region II Science Fair
- Raised \$220 for Botswana African Children
- Raised \$550 for Hurricane Sandy
- Student has been selected for the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine
- Student was a winner in the State Fair Essay Contest
- Student introduced and presented a medal to author, Rosanne Parry, in Columbia, SC
- Three students won in the PTSA Reflections Contest
- Nine students named Football All Conference Players
- Five students were named to Basketball All Conference Players
- Thirty-six students participated in the SC Solo & Ensemble Festival
- National Junior Honor Society gave over 2,000 canned goods to the United Ministries during the holiday season
- Students participated in the following:
Annual National Anthem Project
The Musical "Fame, Jr."
Christmas Parade
Quarterly Awards

Enrichment Opportunities & Academic Activities

- Accelerated Reader
- After School Program
- Arrows of Information Electronic Newsletter
- Band
- Book Fair
- Career Fair
- Chorus, Show Choir, & Gospel Choir
- Clubs
- Echalk
- Eighth Grade Field Trip to Florida
- Furman Summer Reading Program
- Literature Circles
- National Junior Honor Society
- Parent Workshops
- Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)
- ProTeam
- SAP Mentoring Program
- SC Book Award Voting
- Science Fair
- Service Learning Program
- Seventh Grade Field Trip to Ripley's Aquarium
- Shadowing Program
- Sixth Grade Transition Camp
- Sixth Grade Field Trip to Medieval Times
- Smoke Signals Newsletter
- Student Athletics
- Student Government
- Talented and Gifted Program
- Technology Classes
- USA TestPrep
- Yearbook/Journalism Team



School Improvement Council

- Mrs. Maria Newton-Ta'Bon, Principal
Mr. Jeffrey Barneau, Assistant Principal
Ms. Sonja Hinson, Teacher
Ms. Carla Pumphrey, Teacher
Ms. Tammy Partin, Parent
Mr. James Allsbrook, Community Member
Mr. Todd Pumphrey, Teacher
Ms. Hope Spann, Teacher
Ms. Allison Shields, Teacher
Mr. Gary Miller, Parent
Ms. Keisha Scriven, Curriculum Coach

Administrative/Advisory Team

- Mrs. Maria Newton-Ta'Bon, Principal
Mr. Jeffrey Barneau, Assistant Principal
Dr. Gregory Jones, Assistant Principal
Dr. Jade McLeod, Assistant Principal
Ms. Keisha Scriven, Curriculum Coach
Mrs. Allison Shields, SIC President
Ms. Tammy Partin, PTSA President

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Report to Parents



Mission Statement

The mission of Furman Middle School is to provide challenging opportunities for students to be successful.

Vision Statement

The vision of Furman Middle School is to provide an environment for success.

Furman Middle is a Title I School