

Enrichment Opportunities & Academic Activities

- Accelerated Reader
- After School Program
- Arrows of Information Electronic Newsletter
- Band
- Book Fair
- Career Fair
- Chorus, Show Choir & Heritage Choir
- Echalk
- Eighth Grade Field Trip to Historic Charleston
- Eighth Grade Field Trip to Florida
- Furman Summer Reading Program
- Giant Map Visitation
- Lunchtime Literacy
- Male Empowerment Program
- Morning Homework Center
- National Junior Honor Society
- Parent Workshops
- Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)
- Poetry Café (6th Grade)
- PowerSchool Parent Portal
- ProTeam
- SAVE Mentoring Program
- Science Fair
- Service Learning Program
- Shadowing Program
- Seventh Grade Field Trip to Myrtle Beach
- Sixth Grade Transition Camp
- Smoke Signals Newsletter
- Student Athletics: Basketball, Football, Cheerleading, Step Team, Track & Field
- Student Government
- Study Island
- Technology Classes
- War Path Mathematics
- Yearbook/Journalism Team



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2011-2012
 Report to Parents



School Improvement Council

Mr. John Feeney, Principal
 Ms. Celeste Whiteley, Assistant Principal
 Mr. Jeffrey Barrineau, Assistant Principal
 Ms. Sonja Hinson, Parent
 Ms. Janelle Saulsgiver, Teacher
 Ms. Cassandra Bunn, Parent
 Mr. Trevor Brown, Community Member
 Ms. Shanitra Deas, Teacher
 Mr. Harry Fulwood, Teacher
 Ms. Allison Shields, Teacher
 Mr. Michael Hill, Parent
 Ms. Michelle Johnson, Teacher

Administrative/Advisory Team

Mr. John Feeney, Principal
 Mr. Jeffrey Barrineau, Assistant Principal
 Ms. Celeste Whiteley, Assistant Principal
 Dr. Jade McLeod, Assistant Principal
 Dr. Sonja Murphy, Guidance Counselor
 Dr. Cynthia Copeland, Guidance Counselor
 Ms. Alice Oxendine, Guidance Counselor
 Ms. Keisha Scriven, Curriculum Coach
 Ms. Donna Myles, Media Specialist
 Mrs. Allison Shields, SIC President
 Ms. Sarah Williams, PTSA President

Mission Statement

The mission of Furman Middle School is to provide challenging opportunities for all 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

Sumter School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs or activities. For inquiries regarding the policy, contact the Chief Operations Officer or the Director of Specialized Programs, Sumter School District, 1345 Wilson Hall Road, Sumter, SC 29150 or call 803-469-6900.

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 as 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 2011-2012 *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. 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; through this collaboration, Furman earned the prestigious Palmetto Silver Award. 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

John Feeney, Principal

School Awards, Honors, & Recognition

- Palmetto Silver Award for Academic Performance Recipient
- Raised over \$1,800 for Pennies for Patients
- Raised \$5,200 for Relay for Life
- Football Coach & Athletic Coordinator, Terrence Scriven, was named Middle School Football Coach of the Year
- Football Team Regular Season Champions
- Basketball Coach, Kevin Miller, was named Middle School Basketball Coach of the Year
- Boys Basketball Team Regular Season and Tournament Champions
- English Language Arts Teacher, Shanitra Deas, was named Secondary Distinguished Teacher of Reading by the Sumter Area Reading Council
- Clean Schools Award recipient
- Five students were chosen for the Governor's School programs.
- Five students were named to the Sumter County All-Region Football Team
- Seven students were named to the Sumter County All-Region Basketball Team
- Student placed 2nd in the Humanitarian Festival for the Arts
- Student named to the Sumter County All-Region Track Team
- Student participated in the SC Region 5 Honor Band
- SC International Reading Association Teachers as Readers Grant recipient
- Two students were recipients of the Youth Optimist Award
- Thirty-six students participated in the SC Solo & Ensemble Festival
- Two students were accepted to the Governor School of the Arts
- Students participated in the following:
Annual National Anthem Project
The Musical "Aladdin, Jr."
Christmas Parade
Quarterly Awards