

Academic Activities

- Agricultural Studies and Future Farmers of America (FFA)
- Band
- Chorus
- Show Choir
- Robotics
- One-to-Global Technology
- Mechanical Drawing Program
- Talented and Gifted Program

Enrichment Opportunities

- After School Tutoring
- Career Fair
- Character of the Month Awards
- Character Recognition of Students
- Future Business Leaders of America
- Mastery Connect
- Morning Math and ELA Tutoring
- Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)
- REACH Summer Arts Program
- SC Regional Science Fair



School Improvement Council

Mr. Michael Riggins, Principal
Mrs. Jessica McKinley, PTSA President
Mrs. Jennifer Barrett, Parent/SIC Chair
Ms. Tarnissaya Josey, Teacher
Mrs. Operdella Miller, Teacher
Mrs. Melanie Deas, Community Member
Ms. Diana McClanahan, Teacher of the Year

Administrative Team

Mr. Michael Riggins, Principal
Mrs. Jennifer Barrett, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Jessica Merritt, Assistant Principal
Mr. Cedric Anderson, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Latasha Robertson, Guidance

Furman Middle School

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**Report to
Parents
2021-2022**



Mission

The mission of Furman Middle School is to provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to be successful in a global community

Vision

Together with community stakeholders, Furman Middle is focused on preparing students for college and careers. We will work to inspire and empower students to excel both academically and socially to prepare them to be a productive citizen.

School Goals

1. Furman Middle School will improve student achievement by 3% each year to the sum of a 15% increase over the next 5 years in ELA, Math, and Science by analyzing data, implementing high yield instructional strategies, and improving teacher knowledge of pedagogy.
2. By 2027, the percentage of teachers in the exemplary and proficient categories will increase from 77.77% to 95.27% as measured by SCTS 4.0 evaluations and student learning objectives
3. Partner with stakeholders to build advocacy for our students, families, schools, and Sumter School District by promoting transparency and providing accurate information in an effort to increase stakeholder investment. By 2027, the percentage of parents satisfied with school-home relations will increase from 59.5% to 74.5%.

Our Beliefs

1. All of our students are capable of learning.
2. Each parent and child is a worthy member of the Furman community 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. High expectations for students encourages positive performance.
6. Education is the key to improving social and economic status.
7. Each individual has something positive to contribute.

Message to Parents/Guardians

Dear Parents/Guardians:

It is a pleasure that we provide you with the 2021-2022 *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.

In order to be proactive, we completed a needs assessment and used that data to create our 5-year Strategic Renewal Plan. After identifying areas of growth and also opportunities that we want to provide our students, we have partnered with the Southeast Regional Education Board to provide professional development on best practices in instruction. We look forward to a continued partnership next year as we work to provide great opportunities for students to achieve their goals.

Furman Middle School will continue to shine as parents, students, and faculty work together for all students' education.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Barrett, SIC Chair

Michael Riggins, Principal

School Awards, Honors, and Recognitions

- Furman Middle STEAM Team won all individual awards and the overall in the First Annual Thunder Across the Midlands STEAM Challenge sponsored by Shaw AFB
- **Successful Year in Sports**
 - **Football**
 - **Basketball**
 - **Volleyball**
 - **Cheer**
 - **Track and Field**
- **Algebra I – 55 Students**
- **English I – 55 Students**
- **PSAT – 75 Students**
- **Golden Apple Award Recipients**
- **Annie Performances**