

**Principal:** Mickey Connolly

**Assistant Principal:** Ashley Reece



**OUR MISSION**

Union County Schools and its stakeholders commit to students first in building community, excellence, and life-long learning.

**OUR FACILITY**

Monarch Elementary School sits atop a small hill in what was once a thriving mill village. The school played an important role in the live of the community nearly a century ago and continues to do so today. Five hundred students call Monarch Elementary home. Our school now boasts of wireless internet, 1:1 student laptops, a computer lab, iPad carts, laptop carts, interactive Dell boards, and a library with over 5,000 books. Throughout Monarch's history, many things have changed, but one thing has remained the same. Monarch Elementary School began with the future of children in mind. That vision has not changed. Our children still come first. Faculty and staff work diligently to ensure that Monarch Elementary School students are equipped with the skills, knowledge, and life and career characteristics essential for success in this twenty-first century.

**OUR DEMOGRAPHICS**

Grades: 4K-5<sup>th</sup>  
 Enrollment: Approx. 500  
 Administrators: 2  
 Teachers/Professional Staff: 31  
 Support Staff: 26

**SIC Members**

Ashley Anthony  
 Donnie Betenbaugh  
 Catherine Childers  
 Ashley Cudd  
 Suzy Garner  
 Brad Greer  
 Cayse Jeter  
 Ginnie Ponder  
 Jessica Childers  
 Catie Smith  
 Jamison Taylor  
 Tracey Wade

**Ex-Officia**

Mickey Connolly  
 Ashley Reece

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

- ★ Accredited by AdvancED
- ★ Save the Children Grant
- ★ 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Grant
- ★ SC Aquarium Grant
- ★ Exxon Mobile STEM & Geoscience Leadership Academy (3 teachers)
- ★ 2017-2018 FSI/Carolina Panthers Teacher of the Year
- ★ 2017 District Battle of the Books Champions
- ★ 2016-2018 Dollar General Literacy Grant
- ★ 2013-2014 Title I Reward School
- ★ 2012-2013 Title I Reward School
- ★ 2011-2012 Palmetto Silver Award
- ★ 2010-2013 Exemplary Writing School
- ★ 5 National Board Certified Teachers
- ★ 2020-2021 UCSD District Teacher of the Year

**Monarch Elementary School is a proud Title I school.**

**For a closer look:** <http://unionmes.ss8.sharpschool.com/>

**SIC Annual Goals**

Increase percentage of students reading on grade level as measured by Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark System.

Increase percentage of students meeting target growth in math and reading on Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment.

Increase percentage of students scoring Meets or Exceeds on SCREADY Assessment.

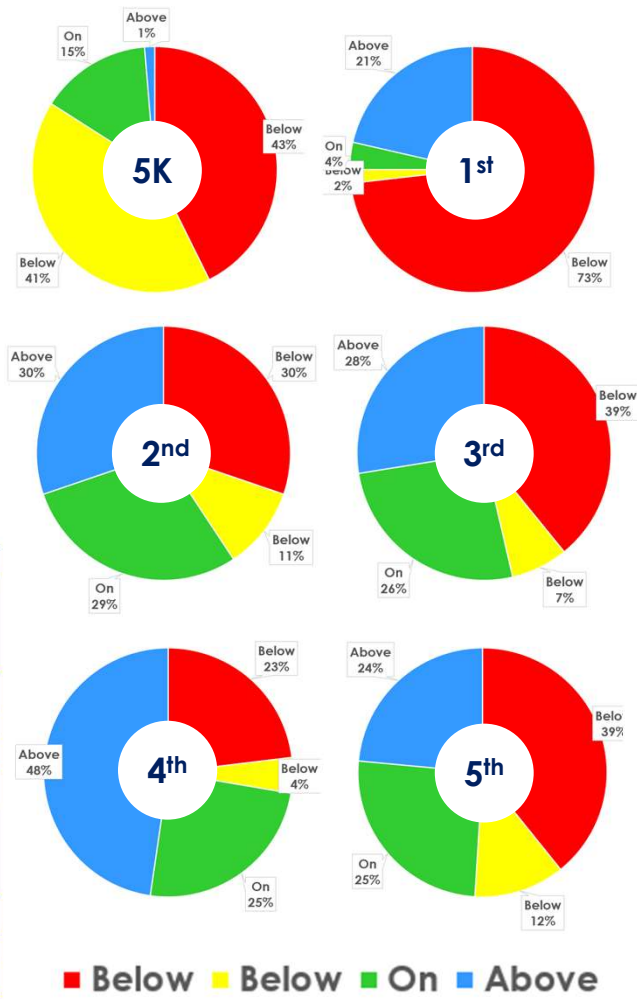
**Student Achievement**

**Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment**

Math	
Grade	Met Target Growth
5K	17%
1st	38%
2nd	48%
3rd	54%
4th	37%
5th	55%

Reading	
Grade	Met Target Growth
1st	36%
2nd	34%
3rd	65%
4th	34%
5th	38%

**Mid-Year Reading Level Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark Assessment**



**SCREADY Assessment**

English Language Arts (ELA)					
Grade	Number Tested	Does Not Meet Expectations	Approaches Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
3rd	89	33.70%	32.60%	22.50%	11.20%
4th	89	33.70%	31.50%	24.70%	10.10%
5th	71	43.70%	35.20%	16.90%	4.20%
Mathematics					
Grade	Number Tested	Does Not Meet Expectations	Approaches Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
3rd	89	29.20%	21.30%	33.70%	15.70%
4th	89	27.00%	38.20%	24.70%	10.10%
5th	71	26.80%	45.10%	21.10%	7.00%



**PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

This report is issued by Monarch Elementary School 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.