The focus of the faculty, staff, administration, and parent organizations at Griggs Road Elementary School is to provide a quality education for all children. Through dedication and hard work, Griggs Road has received the Palmetto Gold Award from the South Carolina Education Oversight Committee for Academic Achievement for the fifth consecutive year.

Griggs Road has embraced the use of technology during the 2013-2014 school year. Currently two teachers are incorporating the use of iPads in their classrooms through a district sponsored Connected Classroom initiative. In addition, iPads have been provided and introduced to all teachers in every classroom. Teachers and staff are presently involved in technology training both at the district and the school levels to prepare for a one-to-one district initiative in the 2014-2015 school year.

Griggs Road utilizes an after school tutoring program to promote student achievement. Students in kindergarten through fifth grade are provided opportunities to have academic support in small group settings. Tutoring groups are rotated on a six week basis to allow teachers to target specific skills. Over a third of our school population takes advantage of this unique learning experience.

Griggs Road encourages students to be good citizens by emphasizing co-curricular activities such as service learning and character education. Students are able to participate in the following clubs: Be a Fan Club, Chorus, Clay Club, Girls on the Run Program, Let Me Run Program, and Physical Education Club.

Parent involvement is important to the culture of Griggs Road. Our School Improvement Council (SIC) and PTO contribute their time and talents to many projects/activities at our school. In the 2013-2014 school year, our PTO sponsored a fundraiser that provided our students with technology upgrades as well as funding for field trips to enhance learning. Parent volunteers contribute to the overall success of our school by giving their time to highlight various school/community events such as a community 5K race, a student talent show, family fun nights, and book fair events.

Parents and community members are a vital part of our school. Griggs Road strives to make our parents and community volunteers feel welcome and appreciated. Academic excellence is our primary goal at Griggs Road. Our school staff strives to maintain a quality education for all of our students in a safe, nurturing, and healthy environment. This goal is achieved through the efforts of our faculty, staff, parents, and students.

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