

Lesslie



Elementary School

Annual SIC Report to Parents
2022-2023

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Purpose of the Report

This report is issued by the Lesslie Elementary School Improvement Council (SIC) 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.

Who We Are

Lesslie Elementary School was incorporated as a public school by the state of South Carolina on March 5, 1906. Lesslie is located approximately seven miles south of Rock Hill. We have classes in grades 4 Year Old Kindergarten – Grade 5.

Our Shared Vision

As an engaged school community, we are here to support and empower the whole child to become a life-long learner through meaningful relationships and a personalized learning experience.

Lesslie Motto

Working together, engaging minds, and building character for a better tomorrow.

Our Goals are:

- Improve all students' skills in reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies as measured by standardized and criteria-referenced tests.
- Continue efforts to increase parental involvement in school activities and student learning.
- Maintain good attendance for students and staff
- Maintain and improve the appearance of the school
- Promote school spirit among students, staff, and parents
- Actively teach respect, responsibility, and good manners
- Develop critical and creative thinking skills – the ability to use one's mind well
- Pursue statewide recognition for school and community accomplishments
- Ensure that every child at Lesslie receives a quality education
- Ensure that no barrier separates a child from the best education we can offer
- Be committed to instructional excellence.

Student Achievement

- Preliminary Spring 2023 Math MAP data shows that 62% of students in Grades 1-5 scored Average, HiAverage and Hi. Kindergarten students are not assessed with MAP.

- Spring 2023 Reading MAP data are not available at this time.

Our 2022-23 School Improvement Plan goals were to:

- Improve student achievement in math and literacy for all grades
- Increase student achievement in all grades by striving for every student to make at least one year's growth
- Positively impact the home-school relations by contacting parents to share positive comments and hosting family events.

To meet our school improvement goals, we took the following steps:

- MAP, SCReady, SCPASS, and benchmark assessments data were analyzed to determine instructional needs for students. Instruction was tailored to meet those needs.
- Math and Reading workshop and other best practices were used to differentiate instruction for students.
- Teachers collaborated to identify essential learning and created common assessments to gauge student growth.
- Hands-on science instruction was used with emphasis on inquiry and critical thinking.
- Dreambox Learning was used to enhance math instruction
- Positive phone calls, emails, and/or post cards were sent to every student and family.
- Blackboard, our website, social media, and e-newsletters were used to communicate events and activities with our families.

Programs Offered

- Gifted and Talented (3rd-5th grades)
- Academic Tutoring
- Challenger Afterschool Program
- School Counseling
- Exceptional Student Education
- Catawba Family Counseling

Parental Involvement

Parents are involved as equal partners as we work with students. These are some areas of their involvement:

- PTO
- School Improvement Council
- Testing Monitors/Chaperones
- Conference Day
- Student Orientation
- Book Fair

**School and
Teacher
Recognition**

Julie Dickson – Lesslie Teacher of the Year 2022-2023
Nicole Drakeford-District Beginning Teacher of the Year
2021-2022

Student Recognition

Terrific Kid Program
Hornet PBIS Celebrations
RHSF Student Hero Award

Interns and Cadets

Each semester, Lesslie welcomes interns from Winthrop University. We also have a large number of Teacher Cadets from Rock Hill High School that work and observe in our classrooms.

Business Partners

- New Indy
- Friendship United Methodist Church
- Catawba Baptist Church
- Seventh Day Adventist Church
- Lake Shore Christian Fellowship
- Regal Graphics
- Rock Hill High School
- Rock Hill Kiwanis Club
- Lesslie Fire Dept.
- Texas Roadhouse
- Roddey Baptist Church

School Improvement Council

Jean Dickson, Kimenya Ramet, Brianna Bennett, Taylor Runyan, Connie Donovan, Jodi Gozur, Leslie Goubran, Cathy Whatley, Brittany Graves