

Lesslie



Elementary School

Annual SIC Report to Parents
2023-2024

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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 as follows:

- 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 2024 Math MAP data shows that 63% of students in Grades K-5 scored Average, HiAverage and Hi.
- Preliminary Spring 2024 Reading MAP data shows that 55%

of students in Grades K-2 and Grades 4-5 scored Average, HiAverage and Hi.

- Grade 3 Reading Spring 2024 scores were not available.

Our 2023-24 School Improvement Plan goals are as follows:

- Improve student growth 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 in ELA and Math
- Increase positive student perception of the social and physical environment and increase positive teacher perception of work conditions.

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

- MAP, SCReady, 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.
- Employed a Math Coach, Reading Recovery teacher and two Academic Interventionists
- Teachers collaborated to identify essential learning and analyzed 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
- Be Great Afterschool Program
- School Counseling
- Exceptional Student Education
- District and Community Services 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

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.
- Roddey Baptist Church

School Improvement Council

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