

Our Mission

The mission of The Children's School at Sylvia Circle is to provide both creative and stimulating intellectual, artistic, and developmental experiences for each student. We strive to cultivate each child's natural desire to learn and to foster his/her natural curiosity and love of knowledge.

TCS Facts

Enrollment
330 students

Early Childhood

3 year olds, Pre-K 4 & Kindergarten *Multi-age*

Lower Elementary

1st & 2nd grade *Multi-age*

3rd grade

Upper Elementary

4th & 5th grade *Single & Multi-age*

Tuition/Learning Fee

A five year old child who has been admitted pays no additional cost, as this is a public school. Three and four year old children must pay tuition and a learning fee, as children this age are not funded at the state or local level. The Three year old program operates on a half day schedule. The Four and Five Year old program operates on a full day. Information regarding tuition can be obtained by contacting the school office.

2014-2015 School Improvement Council (SIC)

R. Boyd, Parent (2013-2015)
R. Murphy, Parent (2013-2015)
S. Simpson, Parent (2013-2015)
D. White, Parent (2013-2015)
S. Brown, Parent (2013-2015)
D. Allen, Faculty (2013-2015)
K. Sobieski, Parent (2014-2016)
A. Johnson Parent (2014-2016)
T. Drayton, Chair (2014-2016)
L. Ashe, Faculty (2014-2016)
G. Finley, Community Member

B. Hammond, Faculty
J. Jones, Ex. Officio

2014-2015 Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

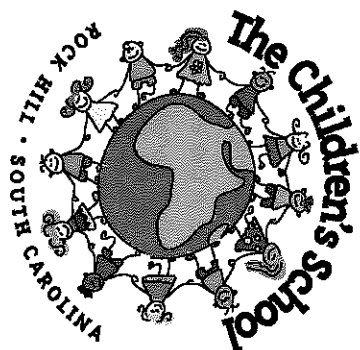
Officers

Sharon Brown
President
Cherie Barton
Vice President
Constance Johnson
Treasurer
Miranda Smith
Secretary

Teacher Liason:
Melissa Remus
Administrative Liason:
Jacqueline Jones

Purpose of the Report

This report is issued by The Children's School at Sylvia Circle's School Improvement Council 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.



**The Children's School
at Sylvia Circle**

A Public Montessori School of Choice

2014-2015 Annual Report to Parents

Rock Hill School District 3

*"Free the child's potential and you will transform
him/her into the world."*

~Maria Montessori



Jacqueline G. Jones, Principal
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What is a School Improvement Council?

The School Improvement Council (SIC) serves as an advisory committee to the school's principal and faculty. SIC plays a key role in the education of our state's children, bringing together parents, educators, and community stakeholders to work collectively to improve student achievement.

What are our Current School Goals?

~Student Achievement: To increase student achievement in Math and Science

~Teacher/Administrator Quality: To increase staff collaboration and student achievement through Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)

~School Climate: To continue to develop an increased commitment to Montessori beliefs and traditions while promoting a Healthy School

How Are We Achieving Our Goals?

- Current/Ongoing Strategies:
- ~Using data from quarterly science benchmarks to improve science instruction and identify instructional gaps
 - ~Developing and using common assessments in math to analyze student data and inform instruction
 - ~Monthly math, science, and data meetings as well as professional development led by school and district staff
 - ~Weekly professional learning community meetings to discuss best practices, analyze data, develop common assessments and integrate use of Montessori materials
 - ~Yearly Montessori Education training for staff and individual teachers seeking full Montessori teacher training
 - ~Weekly communication by all stakeholders used to communicate school-wide events (constant contact, Facebook, Twitter, texting, teacher and administration weekly newsletters, and school webpage).
 - ~School-wide, PTO and SIC sponsored events will promote healthy snacks and physical fitness

Student Leadership Opportunities,

Activities and Recognitions

- Student Council
- Elementary Academic Vocabulary Bowl
- Elementary Science Bowl
- Battle of the Books
- Safety Patrol/Flag Bearers
- Gifted and Talented
- Recycling Club
- Early Childhood Gardening
- Elementary Honors Choir
- York Soil & Conservation District Poster Contest
- York County Arts Council Banner Projects
- Annual Solicitor's Calendar Contest
- Girls on the Run
- Drug Awareness Poster Contest
- Dear Soldier
- International Peace Day
- International Walk to School (fall/spring)
- Class Buddies

Additional Steps to Success

- After School Math Club
- Fun, Field & Fitness Day
- Character Education & Word of the Month
- Mindfulness and Yoga Afterschool Club
- Maker Space Afterschool Club
- Afterschool Enrichment Club
- New Parent & Student/Staff Montessori Orientation
- Monthly Spirit Nights for Families
- Student-Led Conference Night
- Test Taking Strategies
- Extended Field Study Experiences (Columbia, Kayaking, Camp Thunderbird & Discovery Place)
- Science Week and Science Fair
- Career Fair Week & Fair

**TCS—South Carolina State Testing
PASS Scores for Spring 2013
Percent Met or Exceeds**

	ELA	MATH	SCI	Soc. St.	Writing
Gr. 3	80%	71%	66%	83%	80%
Gr. 4	80.4%	66%	61%	98%	73%
Gr. 5	87%	56%	77%	77%	85%

2013 School Ratings

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Our School's Achievements

*Palmetto's Finest
2010-2011*

*Palmetto Gold Award Winner
2009 ~2011 ~2012*

2013 Recycle Award

*2014-2015
District Science Bowl Winner
District Battle of the Books Winner*

Grants Awarded: 2014-2015
*M. Remus & A. Hart, Rock Hill School Foundation
 H. Turner, Rock Hill School Foundation*