

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- SMS Teacher of the Year: Hannah Ritschel, 7th grade math
- SMS Support Staff of the Year: Kelly Cutrone
- Received School to Watch designation
- Safe and Schools Ambassadors
- Hosted donation collection for families affected by Hurricane Helene
- Niche Report named SMS as the #1 Best Public Middle School in SC, #6 Most Diverse Middle School in SC, #7 Best Public Middle School Teachers in SC and A+ overall Niche Grade
- Numerous student engagement activities held throughout the year such as Hispanic Heritage Month Assembly, Black History Month Assembly, Asian and Pan Pacific Heritage Month Assembly, to elevate awareness of vast array of cultures within our school.
- SMS Angel Tree
- Math tutoring was made available to all students every morning before school
- After School tutoring with transportation for students began in November with offerings 3 times per week
- Encouraged student socialization with PTO hosted events such as 6th grade social, 7th grade social, 8th grade dance, Tournament Day, 8th grade breakfast, and various rewards such as Kona Ice. Additionally the PTO hosted numerous fundraisers with partnering with local businesses for Spirit Nights, donations and Stellar Day to celebrate the student and staff efforts to raise funds to support our school.
- 28 8th graders identified as Junior Scholars based upon PSAT scores



SIC MEMBERS

Chairperson- Joanne Walker
Co-Chair- Garrett Shipley
Secretary- Sarah Myers
Christy Matkovich
Cardio Mack
Scott Sinclair
William Leach
Christine Evans
Denay Fullington
Logan Hudak
Jennifer Zimmerman

GOALS

For this 2024-2025 school year, our Strategic Plan goals remained the same with an additional goal to reflect the need of a very specific group of students. Our school is incredibly unique in that 20% of our students are English as a Second Language Learners. These learners were identified as a target population due to opportunity to improve academic progress. Title I funds were received to assist in this area of growth. By strategically planning intervention groups in 6th and 8th grades, hiring an additional interventionist, improving communication and visibility with identified students and families, our goal is to lessen the gap of academic progress between ESOL and non-ESOL learners at Springfield Middle School.

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2024-2025 ANNUAL SCHOOL SUMMARY

BELIEFS, MISSION, & VISION STATEMENTS

Beliefs

All Students and Staff:

- Can learn and succeed
- Should respect each other
- Should strive to be lifelong learners
- Have the right to work in a supportive environment
- Are accountable and responsible for their actions
- Should be immersed in the five Cs of STEAM education: Collaboration, Communication, Caring, Critical Thinking, and Cooperation.
- Should be treated equally regardless of race, religion, sex orientation, and gender

All Students:

- Are entitled to a quality education
- Should be given opportunities for extracurricular activities and be allowed to express their talents through creative arts
- Are more successful when there is communication and involvement between the school, home, and community.

Mission

The mission of Springfield Middle School is to cultivate meaningful relationships, embrace diversity, and pursue academic excellence and equity for all students.

Vision

All students will be prepared with the academic, emotional, and social skills needed to continue a high school path that leads to college and career readiness.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CONTINUED

- 73 new students inducted into Junior Beta Club
- National Crossing Guard
- Mustang Mixer
- SPARK Night
- 8th Graders had an opportunity to job shadow
- 7th Graders attended district-sponsored Career Day
- SPARK night was an opportunity for all students to present projects in areas that sparked their interest
- Continued to integrate Ci3T into our school culture with ongoing rewards and celebrations such as PRIDE Card Celebration Day
- Many new invitations extended to SFES students to attend ST-Arts at Winthrop
- 7th Grade Math PLC awarded FMSD Collaborative Team of the Year.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Award-winning 7th Grade Math PLC presented collaboration and engagement strategies and ideas to staff.
- With Title I funds, 6th and 8th grade ELA and Math teachers focused on *Building Thinking Classrooms* strategies with a book study and the purchase of whiteboards and related materials.
- All core PLCs in 6th, 7th and 8th Grades observed and discussed best practices by completing instructional rounds in each other's classrooms.
- Math district-wide observations.
- Administrative team attended additional training related to PLC implementation.
- School-wide professional development focused on The Five Dysfunctions of a Team.

EXTRACURRICULAR CLUBS AND SPORTS

SFES, with support of our Boosters, had such a wonderful year of Athletics. SFES had teams in the following sports:

Volleyball
Football
Cheer
Pom Squad
Step
Basketball
Flag Football
Track and Field

A few key highlights of this year:

- Inaugural season of girl's flag football was a success, SFES won the very first game ever in FMSD
- Girls and Boys Track won 2nd place in regional
- Girls Basketball and Boys Soccer won conference championships
- SFES Band, SOL, Archery, Yearbook

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- All students participated in a Day of Service where students volunteered with local organizations to better our community. This was made possible by many generous donations made by community partners.
- Beta Club Members partnered with SFES for 8 weeks of reading enrichment.
- SIC and SFMS teachers and staff partnered with the Twin Lakes Neighborhood to strengthen relationships with students and their families.
- Many new invitations were extended to SFMS students to attend ST-Arts at Winthrop University
- SFMS continues to partner with Winthrop University with student teachers
- FBI Agent Visit to discuss social media safety
- York County Library has been a wonderful presence in our school offering free books and encouraging the love of reading and ongoing literacy proficiency
- Community members mentored 15 students

HONOR AND INTEGRITY ABOVE ALL

South Carolina State Report Card: EXCELLENT

Springfield Middle School had an overall EXCELLENT rating. We were excellent in the area of Academic Achievement. We were GOOD in Multilingual Learners' Progress and Student Progress.

SC Ready State Assessment

2023 ELA: Does Not Meet 9.5%; Approaches 18.9%; Meets 28.9%; Exceeds 42.7%
2023 MATH: Does Not Meet 11.4%; Approaches 25.9%; Meets 26.7%; Exceeds 35.9%
2024 ELA: Does Not Meet 10.6%; Approaches 20.6%; Meets 28.5%; Exceeds 40.2%
2024 MATH: Does Not Meet 15.2%; Approaches 28.3%; Meets 24.2%; Exceeds 32.2%

SFMS STAR ASSESSMENT FOR 2024-2025

READING 2024-2025 Grades 1-5
Fall 71.4 % Winter 73.8% Spring 72.3%
READING 2023-2024 Grades 1-5
Fall 71.4 % Winter 72.1% Spring 72.3%
MATH 2024-2025 Grades 1-5
Fall 72.3% Winter 78.8% Spring 71.3%
MATH 2023-2024 Grades 1-5
Fall 68.7% Winter 75.7% Spring 72%