



Flat Rock Elementary School

ANDERSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT THREE

115 Thompson Road

Anderson, South Carolina 29624



Flat Rock Elementary School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically challenging learning environment. We provide such an environment through the implementation of our school vision: a school that focuses on “Whatever It Takes!” We demonstrate this vision by challenging our students with best practices to reach their full potential and by the continuous professional development of our teachers. Our teachers are always seeking to learn new and effective strategies to use in the classroom such as Daily Five and CAFE, Guided Reading, Guided Math, science kits and labs, Accelerated Reader, computerized individualized instruction through Classworks, Reading Eggs, Math Seeds, integration of literature and writing into all content and related arts, STEM activities, and ELA Balanced Literacy. Our staff has worked diligently to explore other ways of providing resources in their classrooms. Our teachers have been the recipients of grants in reading, math, research, classroom environment and behavior, classroom libraries, field trips, and STEM materials.

Our state assessment results are indicating a steady trend of improvement and growth especially in Math and ELA. In Math and ELA on our new state assessment (SC Ready), our school was above the state average for elementary schools. Our goal is to continue to fulfill the vision of providing each student with an iPad for school classroom studies. We have reached a one-to-one iPad ratio for each student in third through fifth grades. In addition, we have extended the use of these iPads with instruction by providing keyboards for each one. We will continue to work to reach one-to-one in our primary grades with technology.

At Flat Rock Elementary School we serve our students and community through various programs in and outside the academic world to focus on the development of the whole child. School-wide we have focused on embedding character education in all programs and using the program of CORE Essentials Character Education. We continue to use facets of the Positive Behavior Interventions and Support program (PBIS). This is supported by monthly celebrations through our Terrific Kid and school attendance recognitions. We have a formal business partnership with Michelin and America Learns. These activities include weekly tutoring sessions, lunch buddies, mentoring, student tours of the plant, and purchased supplies.

Our school partners serve our school community in various ways. We greatly appreciate their continuous help from providing supplies, tutoring, or meeting other needs. At Flat Rock Elementary we believe the school, family, and community must share the educational responsibility of our young. We hold to our vision of “Whatever It Takes!”

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