

# ABOUT THIS REPORT

This report is provided to parents in compliance with the Education Finance Act (EFA) of 1977, the Education Improvement ACT (EIA) of 1984, and the Elementary and Secondary Academic Act (ACT 135) of 1993. It presents information about school accomplishments in the 2025-2026 school year and updates on our goals. Our School Improvement Council reviews our goals and achievements and reports progress to our school family and community. Waccamaw Intermediate believes that we must all work together for our students to be successful.

## WACCAMAW INTERMEDIATE MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Waccamaw Intermediate School is to cultivate excellence in education.

- We envision a safe school where children are nurtured and encouraged to come prepared to learn.
- We envision a staff that cares for and believes in their students, peers, and themselves.
- We envision a total school community involved and supportive of student learning.
- We envision a learning environment that challenges students to become successful and productive citizens.



National Blue Ribbon  
Palmetto's Finest School



## 25-26 ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

WACCAMAW  
INTERMEDIATE  
SCHOOL

Travis Klatka-Principal  
Denetria Middleton- AssistantPrincipal



## SCHOOLWIDE GOALS

1. 100% of our students will be reading at or above grade level.
2. 100% of our students will have the opportunity to participate in extra-curricular activities.
3. Provide a safe learning environment for our students 100% of the time.

## INSTRUCTIONAL EXPECTATIONS

1. Students hold Student-Led Conferences twice a year.
2. Teachers participate in professional learning and data team meetings with instructional coach and administrators.
3. Offer students differentiated instruction through the use of iReady.
4. Offer high performance literacy classrooms.
5. Offer access to a STEM Lab and problem based inquiry learning.

## PRINCIPAL UPDATE.

Dear Parents,

Waccamaw Intermediate School is focused on our mission to cultivate excellence in education. We are committed to the success of all students. We continue to provide a nurturing and safe environment where students are encouraged to come prepared to learn. We follow the state's curriculum for all areas of instruction. Students are challenged and encouraged to reach their full potential through the use of differentiated instruction. We are a school of high expectations for every child. These expectations have led to numerous awards which include being awarded National Blue Ribbon Distinction and the 2018 Palmetto's Finest Award. We are privileged to be able to work and learn in a facility that is exceptional inside and out. Our PTO and community members continue to provide an overwhelming amount of support through their time, talents, and gifts.

Mr. Travis Klatka, Principal



## PARENT INVOLVEMENT

WIS PTO is a valuable asset to our school community. Under their leadership we were able to do the following:

- PTO Color Run Fundraiser
- Sponsored Teacher Appreciation Days
- Grandparents Day
- WIS Grade Level Musicals/Plays
- Gator Business Partners
- WIS Garden Project
- WIS Carnival Fundraiser
- Santa Shop
- Thanksgiving Feast

## MEET YOUR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Marley Baroody - Chairperson  
 Jamie Curry- Teacher  
 Sarah Colegrove- Teacher  
 Kim Nesmith - Parent  
 Keith Brown- Community  
 Elizabeth Parler- Community  
 Travis Klatka- Ex Officio

## Community Outreach

- American Heart Association
- New Directions Homeless Shelter
- Clothing Closet
- Nonperishable Food Donations
- Carolina Kids

## Get in Touch



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## THE GATOR WAY

The 2025-2026 school year has found our students and staff living by the Gator Moto. Our academic growth and achievement has increased consistently over the past five years. When not focusing on academics, our students and staff are thoughtful in finding ways to give back to the community through various events. The optimism in the school has helped create a safe environment for all stakeholders that is conducive to learning. The respect students and staff show for one another has created a nurturing school community where building meaningful relationships has been key to the success of every student.

## THANK YOU PTO BOARD

Sydney Tillman  
Rachel Kunz  
Danielle Ratliffe  
Sara Freeman  
Heather Greene  
Caryn Webster

## 25-26 STUDENT ACTIVITIES

- 6th Grade Band
- 6th Grade Chorus and Drama
- Academic Team
- Steel Drum
- Love on a Leash
- Jr. Academic Team
- Character & Behavior Incentive Program
- Turkey Trot
- Kick-Off to Testing Celebration
- Intramural Sports Club
- Guest Speakers
- School Spelling Bee
- Kiwanis Club
- Good News Club



## INSTRUCTION UPDATE

Daily instruction is infused with current technology; Chromebook devices for all students, Aquos Boards and other high-quality teaching techniques. Data on student progress is monitored regularly and utilized to make the best instructional decisions for all students. These best practices are evidenced by our state test score results and student iReady diagnostic results.

**Waccamaw Intermediate School is**  
**Growing an Achieving,**  
**Thoughtful, Optimistic, and**  
**Respectful School Community.**