



National Blue Ribbon School



Palmetto's Finest

**WACCAMAW INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
2023-2024**

Annual Report to Parents

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**Working together to be the best we can be!
GO GATORS!**

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 2023-2024 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.

The following are in progress:

- iReady
- Student Led Conferences
- Problem Based /Inquiry Learning
- Technology Instruction in 100% of Classrooms
- Professional Learning/Data Teams
- STEM Lab
- Instructional Coach
- High Performance Literacy Classrooms

School Wide 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 on extra-curricular activities.
3. Provide 100% safe learning environment for our students.

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.

WACCAMAW INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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

School Statistics

Enrollment: 434

321 White

80 African-American

25 Hispanic

8 Other

413 average daily attendance



The Gator Way

The 2023-2024 has found our students and staff living by the Gator Moto. Our academic growth and achievement has increased consistently over the past four 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.

Waccamaw Intermediate School is **G**rowing an **A**chieving, **T**houghtful, **O**ptimistic, and **R**espectful School Community.

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.

2023-2024 Student Activities

- 6th Grade Band
- 6th Grade Chorus and Drama
- WIS Garden
- Academic Team
- Steel Drum
- Jr. Academic Team
- Girls on the Run
- Character & Behavior Incentive Program
- Turkey Trot
- Kick-Off to Testing Celebration
- First Tee Golf Program
- Art Club
- STEM Club
- Guest Speakers
- School Spelling Bee



Thank you PTO Board

Kelly Gasper
Erin Haddock
Kathryn Hardin
Jamie Hewett
Sydney Tillman
Julia Badgett
Alexa Mason
Sara Freeman
Kim Nesmith
Heather Greene
Marley Baroody
Margaret Walton
Lindsey Kirby

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
- Bright Star Theater Performance
- WIS Garden Project
- Guest Speaker for Parents
- Santa Shop
- Thanksgiving Feast

Community Out Reach

- American Heart Association
- Clothing Closet
- Nonperishable Food Donations
- Carolina Kids
- CCU Adaptive PE