

# **LEE CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL**

## **Annual School Improvement Council**

### **“Report to the Parents”**

### **2019-2020**

*Theme: IMAGINE “IF”*

*The mission of Lee Central Middle School is to work in partnership with students, parents and the community to develop lifelong learners who achieve success as students and as productive citizens.*

Lee Central Middle School is located in rural South Carolina. Our school enrollment is currently 381 students. We are both proud and excited about the direction of our educational program at Lee Central Middle School. Our professional learning this past year has focused on Project Based Learning. We believe engaging students in real-world, authentic learning experiences will prepare them for both high school and careers. PBL along with innovative learning in our new STEM Lab will develop the knowledge and skills identified in the Profile of the SC Graduate.

### **SIC Annual Goals**

The LCMS School Improvement Council’s goals for the school year focused on enhancing school culture through improved school-home relations. Activities were designed to increase the percentage of parents satisfied with home-school relations, the number of parents attending school functions (PTO, parent-teacher conferences, student programs and performances, etc.)

The ATP, Action Team Partnership, collaborated with SIC to plan and implement activities to improve communication between the school and home, increasing the number of parents and community members involved in school activities and events.

Parents, students, faculty and staff successfully reinforced and formed positive relationships through participating in fun, educational and informative activities including the following: Painting with Parents, Veteran’s Day Observance Program; American Education Week activities for parents, Report Card Pickup Nights, Academic Nights, Home Visits, Food and Toy Drives, PTO Annual Talent Show and Dinner with Pastors (Promising Partners Faith-based partnership initiative).

### **Student Achievement**

Lee Central Middle School’s 2018-2019 School Report Card Overall Rating improved from Unsatisfactory (2018) to Average (2019). We celebrate the academic improvement and growth of our students. However, we continue to strive for improved performance of all students. We continue to perform below the State average in mathematics and English Language Arts. All students in grades 6 through 8 are administered District Benchmark exams three times each year. Benchmark results from the February 2020 administration project approximately 17.6% of all students meeting or exceeding standard on the 2020 English Language Arts state assessment and 18.8% of all students meeting or exceeding mathematics state assessment in 2020.

Five (5) LCMS students earned a score of over 900 on the 2019 PSAT. These student scores indicate their competitiveness nationally among their peers.

## LCMS MEDIA LITERACY TEAM

The Media Literacy Team at LCMS is second to none. Students are engaged in literacy projects that afford them opportunities across the nation. The team has been featured on WIS Today Show, interviewed celebrities such as Pebo Bryson and Stephanie Mills. They have conducted behind-the-scenes interviews at Universal Studios, interviewed Bakari Sellers, and participated in the Auntie Karen's Young Entrepreneurs Conference.



## LCMS 2019-2020 Achievements

*LCMS earned an Average growth rating on the 2018-2019 School Report Card!*

*LCMS held STEMLab Ribbon Cutting February 18, 2020!*

*LCMS Boys and Girls Basketball Teams finished season with perfect records and both teams named 2020 Region Champions!*

*Coaches Damion Days and Richardene Williams name Upper Pee Dee Coaches of the Year!*

*Twenty-five percent of 8<sup>th</sup> graders taking PSAT scored above 900!*

*Faith-based Partnership forged with commitment from over 30 pastors and church leaders.*

*Student Government Association completes leadership training, student-led social development sessions and service projects.*

*Rachel's Challenge, bullying and suicide prevention program presented school-wide.*

*The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of SC conducted "Ending the Silence" presentation raising awareness and changing perceptions around mental health conditions. The presentation emphasized suicide prevention.*