



SUGAR CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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2024-2025 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Our school is **"SHARK STRONG"** and is working towards the character values of showing respect, having integrity and being kind.

Principal Michelle Gritz (Aug - Dec) & Jennifer Hendershot (Jan - May)

WHAT MAKES US SHARK STRONG?

- ✓ Cognia Accredited by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- ✓ Recognized as a No Place for Hate School by the Anti-Defamation League for the 13th year
- ✓ Professional Development School with Winthrop University
- ✓ Implemented Shark D.A.D.S program - 28 Dads participated
- ✓ Literacy Coach completed 18 extended cycles of coaching with our teachers, as well as one full grade level of 6 teachers
- ✓ Organized and hosted one Title I Family Breakfast that focused on Reading and Math and the summer slide
- ✓ Our 5th grade student ambassador club- they are our No Place for Hate representatives; they promote inclusion and Shark Strong Character traits
- ✓ Successfully implemented schoolwide Ci3T model
- ✓ Implemented a School Wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Support plan (PBIS)
- ✓ School wide One School One Book program- promotes and bridges literacy from school to home; involves the whole family; fun and engaging; trivia questions
- ✓ Teachers met weekly to participate in collaborative sessions focused on student data and planned standards based lessons.

✓ Michelle Berisford, 3rd Grade Teacher, Teacher of the Year, District Honor Roll Teacher of the Year

✓ Casey Wright, Receptionist, Support Staff of the Year

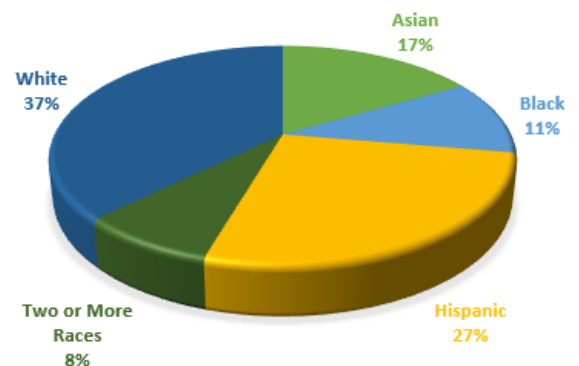
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jenn Godwin	Jehan Allen	Meg Niblock
Becky Bossert	Tara Laymon	Tabatha Andonian
Angie Reiking	Jenny Desch	Melissa Coletta
Susan Heffron	Michelle Gritz	Brenda Nolan
Kelly Hardy	Aaron Plummer	Jennifer Hendershot

We Love Celebrating Our Diversity

We serve students from all over the world, from all different backgrounds, who speak many different languages. Our students represent 17 different countries from around the world. We love and appreciate the families we serve and the diversity they provide to our community.

DEMOGRAPHICS



State Testing Results

Our 3rd-5th grade students take end of year assessments called SCReady. This assessment measures their achievement in the areas of Math and Reading/Writing. The following charts compare how 3rd-5th grade students performed from the past two years.

SC Ready ELA Test Results 2024

Grade	Not Met	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds	Meets & Exceeds
3 rd grade	18.2%	19.7%	26.5%	35.6%	62.1%
4 th grade	9.8%	19.7%	30.3%	40.2%	70.5%
5 th grade	9.0%	15.9%	32.4%	42.8%	75.2%

2023

Grade	Not Met	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds	Meets & Exceeds
3 rd grade	13.3%	20.8%	21.7%	44.2%	65.8%
4 th grade	4.2%	19.0%	29.6%	47.2%	76.8%
5 th grade	5.6%	19.8%	29.4%	45.2%	74.6%

SC Ready Math Test Results 2024

Grades	Not Met	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds	Meets & Exceeds
3 rd grade	11.4%	22.0%	33.3%	33.3%	66.7%
4 th grade	13.64%	21.2%	30.3%	34.8%	65.2%
5 th grade	10.3%	26.2%	32.4%	31.0%	63.4%

2023

Grades	Not Met	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds	Meets & Exceeds
3 rd grade	15.0%	17.5%	27.5%	40.0%	67.5%
4 th grade	14.8%	22.5%	26.1%	36.6%	62.7%
5 th grade	12.7%	27.8%	32.5%	27%	59.5%

How did we compare?

SC Ready English Language Arts and Mathematics

English Language Arts (Reading and Writing) - [Percent Met or Exceeding](#)



Mathematics - [Percent Met or Exceeding](#)



Staff Leadership Teams

We believe that teacher leaders are a crucial part of the success in our school. Leadership teams are designed to utilize the strengths of our staff in our school to positively impact our students, staff and community. Below are some examples of leadership teams in our school:

Staff Morale Committee	Ci3T Team
School Leadership Team	Guiding Coalition
Behavior Support Team	District Standards Teams

Clubs at SCES

At SCES, we offer a variety of clubs for our students throughout the year. Clubs are a way for our students to enjoy extracurricular activities that interest them.

Chess Club	Math Olympiads	Art Club
Striders Running Club	Seussical Musical	Girls on the Run
Student Ambassador	1st Grade Drama Club	Book Club
Choir	2nd Grade Drama Club	Safety Patrol
Shark News Network	Reading Buddies	Recorder Club

Our Mission At Sugar Creek Elementary School all students will learn at high levels in a safe and supportive environment.

Our Vision is to teach the whole child by providing high levels of instruction so they become productive citizens in our community.