# Jerry Zucker Middle School Mission Statement

**Every Student. Every Day. No Exceptions. No Excuses.** 

### Jerry Zucker Middle School

#### **Lightning Bolts of Pride 2015-2016**

- Robust core curriculum with daily block periods of English Language Arts and mathematics, as well as a science focused flex period
- Integrated acceleration for gifted learners and remediation for struggling learners
- High school credit opportunities for 8th grade students
- Huge selection of afterschool activities, clubs, and academic enrichment programs
- Accomplished athletic programs in all sports offered through the North Charleston Recreation Department
- Championship Basketball and Football Teams
- Renowned band program with two marquee concerts and a spring trip
- Literary Magazine and school newspaper
- Annual spring Fine Arts Night
- 5th Quarter, ESOL Camp, Summer Bridge and/or Science Camp
- Fully integrated school-wide guidance program
- Communities in Schools counseling services
- Active MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) team for struggling learners
- Annual overnight camping trips
- Rich related arts curriculum including art, band,
   Spanish, computer applications, pre-engineering, and robotics
- Daily advisory period and morning news
- Smartboards, 1-to-1 iPads, and the most current technology in every classroom, science and computer lab
- A highly-qualified faculty ready to engage each student
- Race to the Top district grant for implementation of personal mastery for students

#### **ZMS** Parenting Partners Program

Join us this year for a series of eight workshops that combine parenting and leadership skills to help parents be vital contributors to their children's success.

Parenting Partners is a comprehensive, interactive workshop that builds practical parenting skills and engages parents in positive leadership.

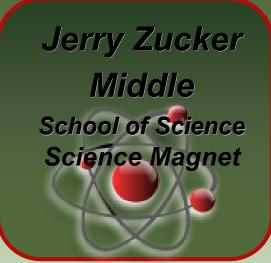
The morning workshop series will be offered multiple times, year-round (including an 8-week series in Spanish), and a light breakfast will be served. We look forward to seeing you at these events! For more information, please contact:

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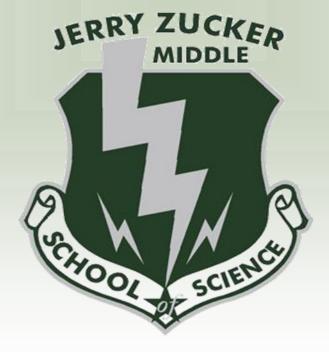
#### Grade 6, 7, and 8 Camping Trips







- High School Credit—Algebra 1– Passing Rate 2015 100%
- High School Credit—English 1- Passing Rate 2015 100%
- High School Credit—Biology 1- Passing Rate 2015 100%
- High School Credit—Keyboarding—Passing Rate 2015 100%



## From the Principal

Welcome to 2015-2016 at Jerry Zucker Middle School of Science! I look forward to our successful partnership during this important time in your child's life. Zucker Middle School opened six years ago to meet the growing needs of our community and since that inaugural year we have been steamrolling forward in pursuit of academic excellence for each student that walks into our school. Your child is about to embark on an exciting journey— one dedicated to exploration, discovery, and realizing his/her innate potential.

Jerry Zucker Middle School of Science is a physically, intellectually, and emotionally safe learning community in which your child can grow as a student and a person. Understanding that our lessons guide children's lives long after they leave our building, we focus students on being responsible, accountable, and respectful learners. We take special pride in our diverse student population and are deliberate in explaining that this diversity is a source of strength for our learning community. We treat each other with dignity and kindness and prepare our students for the wonderfully diverse world beyond

our walls.

We are also committed to building fruitful partnerships with the community and exposing our students to the many rewarding careers that could spark an interest and provide a focus for future learning and personal investment. We have stressed the importance of literacy in their lives and tracked and monitored the academic growth of every child in terms of literacy and

numeracy. Most importantly, the faculty and staff share a deeply held belief in the unlimited potential of our students. We know that our school is not an end in itself, but a bridge to future learning and discovery. We have emerged this year as a stronger school because we have had the benefit of a supportive community, a determined teaching force and an unwavering dedication to our students overall well-being. It is my role as principal to build on our substantial successes by continually improving our instructional services and communicating our vision with the greater school community.

It is my great privilege to serve as the principal of the Jerry Zucker Middle School of Science. My door is always open if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas to improve our services. I look forward to working closely with you and your child in the coming years.

Sincerely,

Jacob Perlmutter