School Improvement Council Annual Report to Parents 2017-2018

"Rooted in Knowledge –Growing in Wisdom"



HOME OF THE EXPLORERS

Our Mission

The mission of Meadow Glen Elementary is to create a high performing school, which effectively motivates everyone to fulfill their highest aspirations, to be self-directed learners, to serve others, and to become active leaders in building a better tomorrow.

Our Vision

As Meadow Glen Explorers, our vision is to see, hear, and experience life from various angles allowing us a limitless future as we explore the world. MGES staff, student body, and families have a strong sense of belonging and they care about making thoughtful and meaningful decisions. Our MGES graduates are collaborative, critical thinkers, creative, effective communicators and produce high quality work.

Habits of Scholarship

Motivating minds with perseverance Growing leaders with responsibility Exploring as thinkers with craftsmanship Serving other with respect

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MGES School Improvement Impact Goals for 2016-2017

- ★ Assist in the planning of playground improvements (drainage, new playground items)
- ★ Annual School Clean- UP Day in April (grounds beautification)
- ★ Continue Learning the Components of the EL Education Model (www.elschools.org)
- ★ Continue Learning the Components of Standards Based Grading
- ★ Continue Recruiting Community Business Partners

MGES Playground Update

The main playground received an additional drainage catch basin to help with standing water after it rains. A Soccer Quick Score field was added to the playground. Boundaries for the football/soccer field were installed. However, there is more work to be done with the field. A portable PE Unit containing various play/fitness items for students to use is now available. Kindergarten also received a portable PE Unit for the kindergarten playground. Phase II of playground improvements are in process for next school year.

MGES Community Partners

The School Improvement Council would like to increase community partnerships with Meadow Glen Elementary. If you are interested in helping to improve our school and community relations, please contact Cheryl Fralick, Principal, at cfralick@lexington1.net

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SIC Topics This Year

Digital Media Software/Meal Viewer, Lexington County School District One and MGES Strategic Renewal Plan, New State Attendance Policy Draft, Security/Emergency Plans, Family Nights, South Carolina Retention Law, MGES Clean Up Day, Communication Home/School, EL Education, Allergies, Updating MGES Website

MGES Partners with EL Education

Meadow Glen Elementary is in its second year of our EL Education partnership. School leaders continue to build teacher capacity and shared leadership by setting clear expectations and professional development to promote, support, and develop quality teachers and engage families in learning the EL culture.

Implementation Priorities for Year Two with EL Education

Choosing /Adopting and Enhancing Curriculum in English Language Arts
Assessments in Daily Instruction

Deepening the use of Learning Targets and Checking for Understanding Strategies
Fostering Habits of Character
Habit of Scholarship Tracking
Scaffolding towards High Quality Products
Models, Critique and Descriptive Feedback
Create a Space for MGES Families to Learn (Family Academic Nights)

Summary Statement from the mid-year review from EL Education:

"MGES is in its second year of EL Education implementation. There is tremendous growth in the implementation of our core practices seen through the ELA curriculum implementation and Crew. Consistency of teacher practice is high in all classrooms. Students speak and model the Habits of Character implemented in the 2016-2017 school year. It is evident that teachers and leaders have a high expectation for all students in the building. As we move our attention away from the implementation of the ELA curriculum, I wonder about opportunities to move ALL teachers forward in thinking about protocols, projects and products, and high quality work." Deanne Duncan, School Designer

MGES Teacher of the Year: Moraima Rosario, Media Arts Teacher

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Projects supported by the MGES PTO: Box Tops for Education, EL Education Conferences, Teacher Professional Development Conferences, Mandarin Immersion Materials, 2nd Grade Writer Program, Mentoring Program, Playground Improvements, Hoot N' Holler Spring Festival, Family Nights, Field Day, 5th Grade Graduation, Fund Raising Efforts, Staff Appreciation Luncheons, and Grade Level Field Studies.

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"Re-Share" of Grade Level Brochures:

Tri-fold brochures for K-2, 3rd, and 4th grade were shared at the beginning of the year. Included in the brochure was information regarding EL Education, Standards Based Grading and Growth Mindsets vs. Fixed Mindsets. We are re-sharing these links with you.

K-2

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South Carolina State Standards

The following links are provided for you to review grade level curriculum standards.

http://www.scfriendlystandards.org/

http://ed.sc.gov/instruction/standards-learning/english-language-arts/standards/

http://ed.sc.gov/instruction/standards-learning/mathematics/standards/

SC Ready Assessment

The following link is provided as a resource to give an overview of the SC Ready Assessments. http://ed.sc.gov/tests/middle/south-carolina-college-and-career-ready-assessments-sc-ready/

State Report Card Data

The following link is provided for you to review the most recent MGES State Report Card. http://ed.sc.gov/data/report-cards/state-report-cards/2016/view/?y=2016&d=3201&t=E&s=067

CLEAN UP DAY AT MGES







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