

## Report Card Rating

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. However, on March 27, 2020, the U.S. Department of Education approved South Carolina's request to waive spring statewide assessments, accountability ratings, and certain reporting requirements in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) for the 2019-2020 school year due to widespread school closures related to the novel Coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

### COVID-19 Pandemic

During the 2020-2021 School Year, Gordon Elementary:

- Incorporated the latest science on safe school operation as outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).
- Provided parents a choice of virtual or face-to-face instruction for their child.
- Provided all students with one-to-one devices to assist with online instruction.

### **2020 – 2021**

### **School Improvement Council Members**

Victoria Cook - Chairperson/Parent  
Karimah Bethea - Parent  
Shamada Davis - Teacher  
Ellen Gerald - Teacher  
Angelia Furnace- Teacher  
Toni Norton- Teacher  
David Owens - Community Member  
Tim Faulk - Community Member  
Stevie Grice - Community Member  
Erin Burt - Assistant Principal  
Dr. Michael A. McRae - Principal  
Kim Hyatt - Title I Parent Advisory Rep.  
Joseph Hedgepeth - Teacher of the Year

## Faculty and Staff Members

**Dr. Michael A. McRae, Principal**

**Mrs. Erin Burt, Assistant Principal**

Alford, Anthony - Teacher Assistant  
Alford, Lenette - PowerSchool Secretary  
Allen, Robin- EL Teacher  
Baker, Rebekah - School Counselor  
Bethea, Karimah - Teacher Assistant  
Bethea, Tiffany - Teacher Assistant  
Branch, Cheryle - Teacher Assistant  
Cantey, Darlene - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Clanton, Jeannette - Teacher Assistant  
Cook, Fred - Exceptional Children Teacher  
Cook, Victoria - Teacher Assistant  
Davis, Paris - Bookkeeper  
Davis, Seaquiria - Librarian Assistant  
Davis, Shamada - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Eaker, Rebekah - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Fowler, Kristen - Exceptional Children Teacher  
Frierson, Gloria - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Furnace, Angelia - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Gerald, Ellen - Fourth Grade Teacher  
Green, Austin - Music Teacher  
Griffey, Mary Kathryn - Teacher Assistant  
Gurley, Beverley - Fourth Grade Teacher  
Hedgepeth, Joseph - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Hunt, Shanna - School Librarian  
Hyatt, Kim - Title 1 Facilitator  
Price, Kelly - School Nurse  
Jenkins, Jessica - Cafeteria Manager  
Kahiro, Rahab - Fourth Grade Teacher  
Lee, Deborah - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Lynch, Sarah - Reading Coach  
Manning, Karen - Office Secretary  
McRae, Patricia - Fourth Grade Teacher  
McRae, Regina - Teacher Assistant  
Norton, Tonette - Fourth Grade Teacher  
Owens, Jessica - Fourth Grade Teacher  
Reaves, Steven - P.E. Teacher  
Roberts, Betty - Fourth Grade Teacher  
Rogers, Marsha - P.E. Teacher  
Smith, Michelle - Exceptional Children Teacher  
Sowells, Felecia - Teacher Assistant  
Stager, Rebecca - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Stroud, Christie - Teacher Assistant  
Townsend, Christen - Gifted and Talented Teacher  
Wallace, Shea - Fifth Grade Teacher  
Williamson, Marcus - School Resource Officer  
Wright, Brooke - Fourth Grade Teacher

## Gordon Elementary School



**2020-2021**

### **School Summary Report**

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April 19, 2021**

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***"Every Child, Every Day- Whatever it Takes"***



**Dr. Michael A. McRae, Principal  
Mrs. Erin Burt, Assistant Principal  
Mrs. Victoria Cook, SIC Chairperson**

## School Goals

- Increase test results in Meets and Exceeds categories on SC READY.
- Increase test results in the Met and Exemplary categories on SCPASS.
- Increase community and parental involvement.
- Improve student behavior on school campus and buses.
- Place greater emphasis on critical thinking skills, higher student expectations, and problem solving.
- Maintain a school climate which is safe and conducive to learning.

## School Mission

The mission of Gordon Elementary School is to provide students with opportunities to become academically successful citizens in a safe and secure learning environment where students, staff, family and community work together.

## School Beliefs

We believe:

- All people have the ability to achieve with effort
- Respect earns respect
- The family is the foundation of society
- Learning is a life-long process
- People are responsible for the choices they make

The School Improvement Council is responsible for presenting a report to the parents of the school about progress being made to achieve improvements according to the objectives for the five-year plan. This report includes Gordon Elementary's achievements and academic plans.

## SC State Assessment Data

(Due to Mandated School Closings in March of 2020, SC READY and SCPASS were not Administered.)

### 4th Grade 2019 SC READY & SCPASS Comparison Chart English Language Arts/ Math / Science

|                   | ELA Meets/ Exceeds | Math Meets/ Exceeds | Science Meets/ Exceeds |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| State             | 51.2               | 50.5                | 52.0                   |
| District          | 39.7               | 32.1                | 39.4                   |
| Gordon Elementary | 35.8               | 28.5                | 35.4                   |

### 5th Grade 2019 SC READY & SCPASS Comparison Chart English Language Arts / Math / Social Studies

|                   | ELA Meets/ Exceeds | Math Meets/ Exceeds | SS Met/ Exemplary |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| State             | 41.0               | 45.4                | 70.1              |
| District          | 20.5               | 21.9                | 40.7              |
| Gordon Elementary | 21.6               | 23.3                | 43.6              |

## Profile of the SC Graduate

Gordon Elementary will align the curriculum to include World Class Knowledge, World Class Skills, and Life & Career Characteristics to ensure that students will meet the goals set forth on the *Profile of the South Carolina Graduate*.

*All instruction will be on grade level according to South Carolina State Standards and the South Carolina College-and Career-Ready English Language Arts and Math Standards.*

## Programs and Activities

- Family Night S.L.A.M.
- Guided Reading/ Shared Reading
- Daily Read Alouds
- PBIS
- Trojan Pride Party
- Trojan Award
- Everyday Math
- MAP-Measures of Academic Progress
- Career Awareness
- Red Ribbon Week
- After School Clubs
- Honor Roll
- Author Visits
- Spirit Days
- Field Day
- School Improvement Council
- Lunch Buddy
- Gifted and Talented
- Grade Level Meetings
- Common Assessments
- Real Men, Real Women Read Week
- Balanced Literacy
- Power School for Parents
- Skooler
- Benchmark Tests
- Study Island
- Junior BETA Club
- Awareness-The Key to Friendships
- iREADY
- Bully Prevention Program
- Field Trips
- Math Professional Development Training
- Book Study
- ActivePanel Classroom
- One-to-One Student Tablets
- Read Across America Week
- Subway Fit Challenge
- ELA Professional Development Training
- STEM Program