

School Achievements

Celebrate With Us

Community Connections

Monarch Elementary and the Monarch PTA are fortunate to have both financial and program support from community partners such as Mentor Upstate, Edwards Law, J Michael Manley Team, Ben Daniel Dentistry, Mathnasium, Harrison Orthodontics, Sylvan, Larkspur Point, Godfrey-Wilson & Assoc., Scan Source and many others.

State Recognitions

Palmetto's Finest Winner
TransformSC Member for meeting BIE Gold Standards for Project-based Learning
Recipient of Palmetto Gold Awards for High Academic Performance
Numerous PTA Awards including 100% and Top 10 Membership Awards, SC PTA Volunteers of the Year, SC PTA Students of the Year, and SC PTA Reflections winners
Jump Rope for Heart Top Earner Awards for South Carolina schools
South Carolina Department of Education Distinguished Arts Program 3-Year Grant Recipient (\$56,991.82)
Honors Choir participants
Safe Routes to School Silver Partnership
FLL Robotics state and international
1st place SC Scholastic Chess Championship

District Recognitions

Roper Mountain Science Center Fair winners; numerous Gold Award winners
GCSD Science Teacher of the Year
Spring Sing participants
Basketball Hoop Shoot winners
Top Ten Teacher of the Year finalist

School Improvement Council

Monarchs Making a Difference

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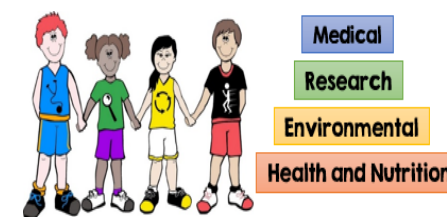
Monarch's SIC worked with stakeholders to:

- Develop and support implementation of the Strategic Plan housed in the School portfolio
- Write the *Annual School Report to the Parents*
- Assist Mrs. Overman with the SC Report Card narrative
- Advise on the use of school funds
- Attend school and district events
- Serve as a Guidance Advisory Council
- Develop mentoring groups
- Incorporate mentors for students in need of extra support with training through Mentor Upstate
- Purchase speed sign for Five Forks Rd.
- Research grants to purchase playground equipment for special needs students
- Create WINGS inclusion program

Monarch Elementary

Celebrating Inquiry, Innovation and Creativity

Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2020-2021



Vaughan Overman, Principal
Mark Loach, Assistant Principal
Raquel Batista, Administrative Assistant

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The mission of Monarch is to build inspired and prepared learners and leaders who are encouraged to discover and develop their unique talents and abilities.

Performance Goals

Blueprint for Success

Student Achievement

Performance Goal: Raise the academic challenge and performance of each student.

Performance Statement: Meet the state and federal accountability objectives for all students and subgroups in Math, English Language Arts, Science and Social Studies.

Due to the pandemic, we were unable to take the SC READY/SCPASS assessments in spring 2020. Students have taken benchmark assessments that provide useful information on student progress.

3rd-5th SC Ready ELA spring 2019

Meeting/Exceeding Expectation 81.1%

3rd-5th SC Ready Math spring 2019

Meeting/ Exceeding Expectation 83.4%

4th- SCPASS Science spring 2019

Meeting/ Exceeding Expectation 82.9%

5th SCPASS Social Studies spring 2019

Meeting/ Exceeding Expectation 95.1%

Teacher/Administration Quality

Performance Goal

Ensure quality personnel in all positions.

Performance Statement

Provide professional development in alignment with Monarch's mission.

School Climate

Performance Goal

Enhance family and community involvement in activities related to curriculum standards.

Performance Statement

Increase family involvement and community partnerships to extend and improve communication, understanding, support, and engagement in education.

Our School

Established August 2012

Monarch is the first elementary school in the state and one of the few in the nation to focus on Health Sciences. The community has embraced the school, and the demand for future student placement from the neighboring areas is immense.

A project/problem-based (PBL) learning approach coupled with student voice and choice provide real-world connections. Curriculum-based learning menus with attention given to multiple intelligences allow students to thrive. A rigorous and relevant curriculum ensures each student is academically advantaged.

2020-2021 Ethnicity Summary

of Students = 816

Asian	7%	With 18 languages represented at Monarch, students learn in a culturally diverse setting.
African-American	9%	
Hispanic	7%	
Other	8%	
Caucasian	69%	

Monarch uses innovative measures rich in best practices. Prior to COVID, many visitors have come to Monarch each year to observe our PBL.

A partnership with Prisma Health and generous contributions from parents and the Roper Mountain Science Center, our on-site science/STEAM lab provides students with problems to investigate and inquiry-rich experiences.

Clinical speakers and other experts in the field of Health Sciences provide authentic career connections and teach the students the importance of science in everyday life.

Monarch has a cafeteria where all food served is low fat, healthy, and prepared fresh daily.

Capitalizing on research that supports healthy movement, all students in 4K -5th enjoy rocking chairs designed by the Pediatric Therapy Network. Intermediate students can participate in our Running Club. Brain Breaks are incorporated during the school day.

Students benefit from a technology-rich campus. The 1:1 device initiatives promote inquiry and allow students to checkout eBooks. The Google Classroom suite promotes collaborative learning.

Monarch's technology includes Promethean boards in each classroom, a portable Promethean ActivBoard, 1:1 devices for each student, and unique software that enriches learning experiences for the students. Greenville County Schools has provided 1:1 Chromebooks for all of our students in grades K-5. PTA and the school have purchased additional devices to support our technology initiatives.