School Mission

The mission of Dillon Middle School is to involve students, parents, faculty and community in the promotion of lifelong learning, by providing a meaningful, innovative educational experience, while requiring a respectful and safe atmosphere, so that as productive members of society learners may achieve their maximum potential.



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 Dillon Middle School's achievements and academic plans.

Dillon Middle School School Improvement Council and Title One Committee

Mr. Rodney Cook Mrs. Lynn Liebenrood Mrs. Kim Hyatt

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Principal District Office Chairperson/ Title One Assistant Principal **Assistant Principal** Teacher of the Year Teacher Teacher Teacher Teacher **Guidance Counselor** Media Specialist Civic/Community Civic/Community Civic/Community Community Parent

Parent

School Programs

Media Center

The Dillon Middle School Media Center sponsors reading incentive programs: Lunch Bunch Book Club, SC Junior Book Award Program, READO, Reading Counts, and the Reader of the Year Award. The media specialist also collaborates with teachers to infuse informational literacy and technology skills into curricular projects and activities.

Chorus

Ninety-five (95) DMS students perform under the direction of Mr. Joshua Fleetwood. The chorus performed at Parent Night on November 29. DMS Chorus received a rating of Superior at the Carowinds Festival of Music. During the 2017-18 school year, nine (9) chorus students auditioned for the Gifted and Talented Artistic (GTR) program and all were accepted.

Band

Seventy-one (71) DMS seventh and eighth grade students perform under the direction of Mr. Kevin McLellan. The DMS band program was a recipient of the 2017-2018 South Carolina Band Director's Association Outstanding Performance Award (OPA). Nineteen (19) seventh and eighth graders made Eastern District Band. Seven (7) seventh and eighth graders made Region Honor Band and three (3) were called back for All State. We are very proud of our DMS students. The DMS band will perform at the April Parent Night.

Parent Nights

To date, Dillon Middle School has hosted several parent events this school year. In August, parents received information on the Title 1 Grant, Success For All, Expert 21 reading programs, and our School Improvement Council was presented. An IGP parent workshop was help in October. In November, we held our Beta Club Induction Ceremony at the Dillon District Four Auditorium. Student performances were featured. DMS has one upcoming Parent Night that is scheduled for April 11.

Student Incentives

Students are rewarded for appropriate behavior, perfect attendance, improvement on Scholastic Reading Inventory scores, and honor roll. Students are invited to participate in such things as sock hops, organized games, and free time outside. Certificates of honor are also presented to students.

Dillon Middle School



2018 - 2019 School Summary Report

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Priorities for 2018 - 2019

- Increase student achievement.
- Focus on literacy for all students.
- Utilize collaborative planning teams to explore research-based strategies, plan for instruction, and meet the needs of all learners.
- Increase opportunities for parents and community stakeholders to actively participate in plans to meet school goals.
- Maintain a school climate which is safe and conducive to learning.

Accomplishments, Activities & Highlights

Academic Challenge Team

Expert 21 Reading

Program

Success For All

Career

Reading Program

Development Program

Math Enrichment

Leadership Team

Washington DC Trip

Junior Beta Club

School Improvement

Rosetta Stone

Council

Individual Growth Plans

Student Data Wall

Student Incentives

DMS Band

Student Council

DMS Chorus

Report Card Rating

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This year, the South Carolina Department of Education and Education Oversight Committee released school and district report cards as part of the state's merged state and federal accountability system. Dillon Middle School's 2018 report card reflects school performance during the 2017-2018 school year.

DMS Overall SC State Report Card Rating

EXCELLENT

SC State Assessment Data

2018 SC READY 6th Grade Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

ELA	% Passed	Math	% Passed
State	39.9	State	42.6
District	25.2	District	30.1
Dillon Middle	25.0	Dillon Middle	27.7

2018 SC READY 7th Grade Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

ELA	% Passed	Math	% Passed
State	40.1	State	34.9
District	31.3	District	23.7
Dillon Middle	31.7	Dillon Middle	22.9

2018 SC READY 8th Grade Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

ELA	% Passed	Math	% Passed
State	39.2	State	36.6
District	28.2	District	29.0
Dillon Middle	24.7	Dillon Middle	32.2

View standardized testing results on the web at www.ed.sc.gov

School Goals

Goal 1: By the end of the 2018-2019 school year, the percentage of students passing the Reading state assessment will increase by 10%. This will result in an increase in the number of students passing to 35.0 % in sixth grade, 41.7% in seventh grade, and 34.7% in eighth grade.

<u>Goal 2:</u> By the end of the 2018-2019 school year, the percentage of students passing the math state assessment will increase by 10%. This will result in an increase in the number of students passing to 37.7% in sixth grade, 32.9% in seventh grade, and 42.2% in eighth grade.

Administrators and teachers will:

- Align instruction to SC College-and Career-Ready standards in ELA and Mathematics.
- Participate in and implement research-based staff development to improve teaching practices.
- Use books for reading that are matched to students' independent reading levels.
- Implement a rewards-based plan for improving academic achievement and behavior.
- Monitor instruction to ensure the coverage of science and social studies state standards prior to testing.
- Analyze test data from SC READY, SCPASS, SRI, and MAP testing to guide the instruction of students.
- Create opportunities for parents to become familiar with the school setting, become knowledgeable about school programs, and be active participants in their child's academic career.
- Focus on technology skills students will need as they prepare for online testing.

Dillon School District Four will provide equal employment opportunities and educational opportunities to all persons without regard to race, color, creed, sex, age, disability or national origin. Dillon School District Four will make reasonable accommodations for an individual who is otherwise qualified for a position unless the accommodation would impose an undue hardship upon the district. Persons with disabilities who need additional accommodations should make their requests for reasonable accommodations in writing to the Section 504 Coordinator. Inquiries and complaints may be made to the following: Title IX Coordinator and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator, Dr. Polly Elkins; Section 504 Coordinator, Jayne Lee; and General Concerns, Mr. Ray Rogers. All of the above are housed in the district office. Address: 1738 Highway 301 N., Dillon, South Carolina 29536. Phone 843-774-1200.