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

Dr. Walter Jackson Ms. Felicia McCollum Mr. Kevin McLellan Ms. Shirl Carter Mrs. Audrey Hart Mrs. Sandra Bridgers Mrs. Jenise Bracey

Mrs. Marcia Bethea Mrs. Sandra Roberts Mr. Stevie Grice

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Mrs. Crystal Ellison

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

Civic/Community

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Parent

Parent

Principal

School Programs and Accomplishments

2019-2020 School Programs and Accomplishments

Media Center

The Dillon Middle School Media Center sponsored 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 collaborated with teachers to infuse informational literacy and technology skills into curricular projects and activities.

Chorus

One hundred (100) DMS students perform under the direction of Mr. Joshua Fleetwood. Over the past 5 years the Choir has received three Superior Ratings and two Excellent ratings at choir festivals.

Band

Seventy (70) DMS seventh and eighth grade students perform under the direction of Mr. Kevin McLellan. During the 2019-2020 school year, twenty-nine seventh and eighth grade students were invited to participate in Honor Band Clinics. We are very proud of our DMS students.

Student Incentives

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

Too Good Program

Dillon Middle School partnered with the UNC Pembroke to continue the *Too Good for Violence School Perspectives* curriculum in grades 6-8.

End - of - Course Examination Program

Eighth grade students enrolled in Algebra I had a 100% passage rate.

Dillon Middle School



2020 - 2021 School Summary Report

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Rodney Cook, Principal
Dr. Walter Jackson/Felicia McCollum,
Assistant Principals
Kim Hyatt, SIC Chairperson

Priorities for 2020 - 2021

- 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

Junior Beta Club

USA Test Prep

School Improvement

Study Island

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. 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).

"For more information, you may view SC district and school report cards at www.screportcards.com."

SC State Assessment Data

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

6th Grade 2019 SC READY & SCPASS English Language Arts / Math / Science **South Carolina Comparison**

	ELA % Passed	Math % Passed	Science % Passed
State	41.0	43.9	47.2
District	24.4	22.5	27.9
Dillon Middle	20.8	19.2	23.8

7th Grade 2019 SC READY & SCPASS **English Language Arts / Math / Social Studies South Carolina Comparison**

	ELA % Passed	Math % Passed	SS % Passed
State	44.0	35.3	64.8
District	33.0	18.8	41.9
Dillon Middle	33.5	15.1	40.4

8th Grade 2019 SC READY & SCPASS English Language Arts / Math / Science **South Carolina Comparison**

	ELA % Passed	Math % Passed	Science % Passed
State	44.6	36.6	47.4
District	34.5	34.1	32.1
Dillon Middle	36.2	42.2	32.1

School Goals

Administrators and teachers will:

- Align instruction to the 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 state standards prior to testing.
- Analyze test data from SC READY, SCPASS, MAP Screening Reading Test, and MAP ELA and math 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.

COVID-19 Pandemic

During the 2020-2021 School Year, Dillon Middle School:

- 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 faceto-face instruction for their child.
- Provided all students with one-to-one devices to assist with online instruction.

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, View standardized testing results on the web at www.ed.sc.gov South Carolina 29536. Phone 843-774-1200.