

State Test Results

2015 ACT Aspire 6th Grade Dillon Middle School

Reading	% Passed	Math	% Passed
State	36.9	State	53.2
District	21.4	District	38.7
Dillon Middle	20.4	Dillon Middle	36.0

2015 ACT Aspire 7th Grade Dillon Middle School

Reading	% Passed	Math	% Passed
State	36.9	State	36.4
District	27.1	District	27.7
Dillon Middle	22.8	Dillon Middle	27.6

2015 ACT Aspire 8th Grade Dillon Middle School

Reading	% Passed	Math	% Passed
State	46.7	State	32.0
District	35.4	District	22.2
Dillon Middle	33.1	Dillon Middle	19.2

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

Seventy-five (75) DMS students perform under the direction of Mr. Joshua Fleetwood. The chorus recently performed at Parent Night on December 3. Chorus members will perform at the final DMS Parent Night in April. Students are competing in state contests and fundraisers are in place to assist with funding.

Band

Thirty-eight (38) DMS students performed at the Title I Annual Parent Night in September. Twenty-one (21) seventh and eighth graders made Eastern District Band. Ten (10) seventh and eighth graders made Region Honor Band and five (5) were called back for All State. We are very proud of our DMS students. The DMS band will perform at the February 11 Parent Night.

Parent Nights

To date, Dillon Middle School has hosted two Parent Night events this school year. At each of these events, information on the Title 1 Grant, Success For All, Expert 21 reading programs and our School Improvement Council has been presented. Student performances were featured. Break out sessions and classroom visits were offered. Upcoming Parent Nights are scheduled for February 11 and April.

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 and free time outside. Certificates of honor are also presented to students.

Summary Report to the Parents from the School Improvement Council February 9, 2016



You Can't Hide That Wildcat P.R.I.D.E.!



Performance through preparation
Respect
Integrity
Determination
Excellence through Effort

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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.

Our 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.

Dillon Middle School School Improvement Council and Title One Committee

Mr. Rodney Cook
Mrs. Lynn Liebenrood
Mrs. Jennifer Rhodes
Mrs. Wendy McDaniel
Mr. Wade Brown
Mrs. Audrey Hart
Mr. Joshua Fleetwood
Mrs. Brittany Price
Mrs. Jenise Bracey
Mrs. Kathi Campbell
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Mr. Brian Rhodes
Mr. Randy Rouse
Ms. Jane Crawford
Ms. Tiffany Ray
Mrs. Detrice Dawkins
Ms. Teneshia Campbell
Ms. Ashley Blakley

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

Focused School Renewal Goals

Goal 1: By the end of the 2015—2016 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 30.4% in sixth grade, 32.8% in seventh grade, and 43.1% in eighth grade.

Goal 2: By the end of the 2015—2016 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 46.0% in sixth grade, 37.6% in seventh grade, and 29.2% in eighth grade.

Administrators and teachers will:

- Align instruction to the new 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 ACT Aspire, SC PASS, 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.

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, Amanda Hayes; 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.

Priorities for 2015 -2016

- ☞ 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

Washington DC Trip

Success For All Reading Program

Career Development Program

Math Enrichment

Leadership Team

Expert 21 Reading Program

Junior Beta Club

Report Card Ratings

The South Carolina Department of Education released the school report cards which reflect data elements and student performance data from the 2014-2015 school year. This year's release is the first of two annual releases where schools and districts will not receive ratings although student performance data is reported.

The two-year "hiatus" on ratings, which occurred as a result of legislation passed by the SC General Assembly in 2014, is designed to allow teachers and schools time to adjust to new standards and assessments before a system is developed that merges the federal and state systems.