

State Test Results

2014 SC PASS Sixth Grade Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

	Exemplary%	Met%	Not Met%
ELA	24.0	32.5	43.5
Writing	17.9	47.8	34.3
Math	21.6	37.2	41.2
Sci	4.0	27.0	69.0
SS	0.8	48.4	50.8

2014 SC PASS Seventh Grade Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

	Exemplary%	Met%	Not Met%
ELA	21.7	35.8	42.5
Writing	19.9	48.0	32.0
Math	16.0	44.1	39.8
Sci	14.8	48.8	36.3
SS	18.0	31.6	50.4

2014 SC PASS Eighth Grade Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

	Exemplary%	Met %	Not Met %
ELA	25.2	24.8	50.0
Writing	25.5	37.0	37.4
Math	22.5	41.5	36.0
Sci	10.4	26.1	63.5
SS	19.0	24.8	56.2

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 4. 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. Nineteen (19) seventh and eighth graders made Region Honor Band and seven (7) were called back for All State. We are very proud of our DMS students. The DMS band will perform at the February 12 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 12 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 11, 2015



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	Principal
Mrs. Lynn Liebenrood	District Office
Mrs. Jennifer Rhodes	Chairperson/Title One
Mrs. Wendy McDaniel	Assistant Principal
Mr. Wade Brown	Teacher
Mrs. Audrey Hart	Teacher
Mrs. Renee Parnell	Teacher
Mr. Joshua Fleetwood	Teacher of the Year
Mrs. Jenise Bracey	Guidance Counselor
Mrs. Kathi Campbell	Instructional Coach
Mrs. Marcia Bethea	Media Specialist
Mr. Brian Rhodes	Civic/Community
Ms. Jane Crawford	Community
Mrs. Rayshanette Manning	Parent
Mrs. Detrice Dawkins	Parent
Mrs. Louvenia Roberts	Parent
Mrs. Tammy Owens	Parent
Mrs. Elaine Lane	Community

Focused School Renewal Goals

Goal 1: By the end of the school year, the number of students scoring met or exemplary in ELA will increase by 10%. This will result in an increase in the number of students who are met or exemplary to 66.5% in sixth grade, 67.5% in seventh grade and 60% in the eighth grade.

Goal 2: By the end of the school year, the number of students scoring met or exemplary in math will increase by 10%. This will result in an increase in the number of students who are met or exemplary to 68.8% in sixth grade, 70.2% in seventh grade and 74% in eighth grade.

Administrators and teachers will:

- Align instruction to the state standards and Common Core State Standards (CCSS).
- 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.
- Provide an environment that is safe and conducive to learning.
- Implement the middle school concept to include teaming.
- Analyze test data from 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: 405 West Washington Street, Dillon, South Carolina 29536. Phone 843-774-1200.

Priorities for 2014 -2015

- ☞ 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	School Improvement Council
Math Enrichment	Leadership Team
Expert 21 Reading Program	Junior Beta Club
Rosetta Stone	Career Development Program
Individual Growth Plan	Student Data Wall
Student Incentives	DMS Band/Chorus

Report Card Ratings for 2014

Absolute Rating: Below Average

Growth Rating: Good

ESEA Grade: D