

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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Chairperson/
Title One
Assistant Principal
Assistant Principal
Teacher of the Year
Teacher
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Teacher
Teacher
Guidance Counselor
Media Specialist
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Mr. Stevie Grice
Ms. Jane Crawford
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Mrs. Crystal Ellison

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

One hundred fifteen (115) DMS students perform under the direction of Mr. Joshua Fleetwood. The chorus performed at Parent Night on December 19. DMS Chorus received a rating of Superior at the Carowinds Festival of Music. During the 2018-19 school year, twelve (12) chorus students auditioned for the Gifted and Talented Artistic (GTR) program and all were accepted.

Band

Seventy-two (72) DMS seventh and eighth grade students perform under the direction of Mr. Kevin McLellan. The DMS band program was a recipient of the 2018-2019 South Carolina Band Director's Association Outstanding Performance Award (OPA). Fifteen (15) seventh and eighth graders made Eastern District Band. Eight (8) seventh and eighth graders made Region Honor Band. 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 election was held in September. An IGP parent workshop was held in October. In December, 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 30.

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



2019 - 2020

School Summary Report

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March 25, 2020

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"Nothing Less Than Your Best!"



Rodney Cook, Principal
Walter Jackson/Michael McRae,
Assistant Principals
Kim Hyatt, SIC Chairperson

Priorities for 2019 - 2020

- 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 Reading Program	Career Development Program
Math Enrichment	Leadership Team
Washington DC Trip	Junior Beta Club
School Improvement Council	IReady
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 2019 report card reflects school performance during the 2018-2019 school year.

**DMS Overall
SC State Report Card Rating**

GOOD

SC State Assessment Data

6th Grade 2019 SC READY Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

ELA	% Passed	Math	% Passed
State	41.0	State	43.9
District	24.4	District	22.5
Dillon Middle	20.8	Dillon Middle	19.2

7th Grade 2019 SC READY Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

ELA	% Passed	Math	% Passed
State	44.0	State	35.3
District	33.0	District	18.8
Dillon Middle	33.5	Dillon Middle	15.1

8th Grade 2019 SC READY Dillon Middle School/ South Carolina Comparison

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

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

School Goals

Goal 1: By the end of the 2019-2020 school year, the percentage of students passing the ELA state assessment will increase by 10%. This will result in an increase in the number of students passing to 30.8% in sixth grade, 43.5% in seventh grade, and 46.2% in eighth grade.

Goal 2: By the end of the 2019-2020 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 29.2% in sixth grade, 25.1% in seventh grade, and 52.2% in eighth grade.

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, 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.