# **School Organizations**

### **School Improvement Council 2016-17**

Jennifer Bailey Friar - Chairperson Rhonda Griffin - Vice Chairperson Quenola Brown - Secretary

Elizabeth Adams
Keicha Chandler-McCray
Tim Dasinger
Brenda Hafner
Kenny Johnson
Dina Knight
Melissa Shaver
Mark Sims
Jeff Williams

### Parent/Teacher Organization 2016-17

President Shelley Cadena
Vice President—Gator Fest Catherine Shealy
Secretary Lindsey Bennett

Treasurer Mary Karl Boepple

Fundraising Susie Watts

Volunteer Coordinator Jennifer Steck

Cooperate Programs Coord. Stacey Gilchrist

Celebrations Coord. Liz Adams

Staff Representative Shannon Ryan



### **Extracurricular Activities**

### **School Clubs**

Art

Chorus

Gator Girls on the Move

Geography

Chess

Mathletes

Reader's Challenge

Recycling

Soccer Strikers

Student Council

Video

### **Family Programs**

Early Gators and Later Gators

### **After School Activities**

Art, Golf, Dance, Gymnastics, Cheerleading, Karate, Science, and Soccer

# **School Beliefs**

### "Sailing Beyond Excellence" in

- Leadership
- Community / Service Learning
- Rigorous Instruction





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# Lake Carolina Elementary Upper Campus



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The faculty and staff of Lake Carolina Elementary School, in collaboration with the community, will promote a safe, caring, and respectful educational environment for all students through the use of innovative teaching strategies and character education to create successful, life-long learners, as we sail beyond excellence.



In partnership with our community, Richland School District Two prepares all students for success by providing meaningful, challenging, and engaging learning.

# **School Highlights & Awards**

- DODEA Grant 2016-2021
- Victory Initiative Grant 2011-15
- NAPDS Award for Exemplary Professional Development School Achievement 2013
- National Schools of Character Award from Character Education Partnership 2010
- South Carolina Schools of Character Award 2009
  - National Blue Ribbon 2008
  - Palmetto's Finest 2007-2008
  - South Carolina Report Card Rating Excellent 2002-14
    - Closing the Achievement Gap Award 2003-2014
- Palmetto Gold Award for Academic Achievement 2004-2015



# **Student and Teacher Information**

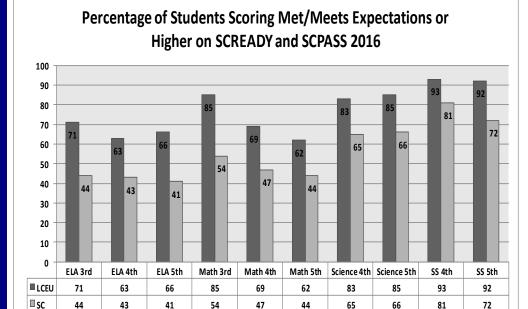
#### 495 Students

3rd - 5th Grades

31% African American 4% Asian 9% Hispanic 46% White 10% Other

**37 Certified Teaching Staff** (16 National Board Certified)

### **State Test Scores**



At the end of the 2015-16 school year, students in grades 3-5 were administered the South Carolina College and Career -Ready Assessments (SCREADY) for English Language Arts and Mathematics. Students in grades 4 and 5 were also administered the South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) for Science and Social Studies.

## **Service Learning Projects**

The Service Learning Projects for 2016-17 focused on supporting both our local and surrounding community.

- December: Spring Valley High School's Winter Wishes
- April/May: Dogs for the Deaf

### Goals for 2017-18

- Continuing to build a strong partnership with our community as "one school, two campuses".
- Students will establish reading goals with strategies to improve reading comprehension.
- Continue to provide differentiated instruction and build online collaboration for students.
- Students will use science and engineering practices.
- Implement the "Leader In Me" model school-wide to help support our belief of leadership.

### **SIC Initiatives**

- Both School Improvement Councils of Lake Carolina Elementary continue to ensure that we are "one school, two campuses" since the Upper Campus opened in August 2014. Our SIC was instrumental in helping us prepare for our successful AdvancEd Accreditation process.
- The SIC at both Lower and Upper Campus organized a school supply drive in January to help our teachers replenish their classroom supplies.
- The SIC at both Lower and Upper Campus also organize and host the re-selling of gently used school uniforms which are donated to the school each year. All sale proceeds are given to the Lou Lynch Field Trip Scholarship Fund for students needing financial support to attend school-sponsored field studies.