

Meet Our Administration Team

A Decade in the Deep: Gliding Through

Excellence Since 2016



I am proud to serve as principal of Sires Elementary. Now in my 28th year with DD2, I've been fortunate to grow as an educator and leader. My goal is to support the Sires community by fostering a strong learning environment where all students thrive. Through our shared mission and vision, Sires Elementary will continue to grow and succeed.

Jennifer Bates, Principal



I bring 18 years of experience in teaching, coaching, and leadership to Sires Elementary. I enjoy serving the community, teachers, and students to build and maintain meaningful relationships that help us all GLIDE! My family and I reside in beautiful Summerville, SC. Go Stingrays!

Jeff Case, Assistant Principal



This is my 14th year in education. I strive to always remember what it's like to be a teacher, grounding decisions in empathy, understanding, and support. I am passionate about developing leadership capacity in others and contributing to the continued growth of our school community. I love getting to know our Stingrays and challenging them to reach their full potential.

Dr. Jennifer Robinson, Assistant Principal



Mission Statement

At Sires, we GLIDE: Grow, Love, Inspire, Discover, Excel.



Vision Statement

Sires prepares lifelong learners for a sea of possibilities to impact the world through collaboration, confidence and creativity.

● ● *Business Partners* ● ●

Chic Customs

Chic-Fil-A

CMPhotography

Culver's

Dorchester County Library

Eggs Up Grill

Grosso Orthodontics

Kona Ice

Lowes Foods

Lowe's Home Improvement

Marco's Pizza

Raising Cane's

South Carolina Stingrays

Stars and Strikes

T-Mobile

Ye Ole Fashioned Ice Cream and Sandwich Café

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Sires is named for Dr. Eugene Sires, a devoted educator and principal who served Summerville Elementary School for much of his career. If you remember Dr. Sires, you remember his loving attitude and encouraging spirit. The Sires community honors his legacy by promoting creative thinking, celebrating diversity, and preparing ourselves for life-long learning.

Dr. Eugene Sires Elementary School 2025- 2026



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Volunteer Opportunities

Please contact the office for information on becoming a volunteer at Sires.

- Field Trip Chaperones
- Terrific Kids
- Booster Fun Run
- Career Day
- Cafeteria Monitors
- PTA

- School Improvement Council
- Test Monitors
- Quarterly Reading Celebrations
- Classroom Helpers
- Lions Club Eye Screening
- Field Day
- Trunk or Treat
- Library Helpers
- Picture Day Helpers
- Kids Heart Challenge
- Popcorn Days



Capturing Kids Hearts

"If you have a child's heart, you have a child's mind." –Flip Flippen

CKH is a research-based process to improve five key indicators of school performance: fewer discipline referrals, improved attendance, higher student achievement, lower dropout rates, and higher teacher satisfaction. Schools that implement CKH processes report:

- Strengthened student connections to others by enhancing healthy bonds with teachers.
- Consistent rules of conduct with reduced disciplinary escalations and referrals.
- Dramatic reduction in truancy and dropouts.
- Reduction of negative behaviors such as isolation, violence, and substance use.
- Significant improvement in student academic performance.
- District-wide improvements in test scores.
- Higher rate of job satisfaction among teachers.
- Increased teacher retention and improvement in teacher recruiting.

Student Opportunities



- Book Vending Machine
- Musical Productions
- Trunk or Treat
- Character Book Parade
- Beanstack Reading
- Ray of the Day
- Junior Achievement
- 2nd Grade swim lessons
- 2nd Grade Rotary Club Reading
- Principal Panel
- Safety Patrol
- Recess Buddies
- Finding the Artist in You

- PTA Reflections
- Quarterly Academic Awards
- Kiwanis Terrific Kids
- Steel Drums
- Singing Stingrays
- CKH Quarterly Events
- Standards Based Field Trips
- Kids Heart Challenge
- Lion's Club Eye Exams
- Spelling Bee
- Field Day
- Booster Fun Run
- Reading Buddies
- Morning Show Anchors
- Salty's Safe Harbor Closet



STEM Opportunities

- One-to-One devices for grades 3K-5
- Personalized Learning Programs for ELA & Math
- Three 3-D Printers
- 50 Coding Robots
- Class Sets of 3-D Pens
- Digital microscopes



Family and Community Events

- Winterfest
- Grandparent Bingo
- All Pro Dad
- Making Waves with Mom
- Fine Arts Nights for grades K-5
- Title One Open House
- Book Fairs
- Lowcountry Food Bank Produce giveaways
- Blood Connection Blood Drives
- Parent Literacy Education
- Parent Education Events
- Beacons Mentoring

Goals:

Goal One: Student Achievement

The percentage of students in K-5 meeting Fall to Spring Growth targets on NWEA MAP Math will increase at least 3% per year through the end of the 2027-2028 school year as measured by NWEA MAP Math reports.

Goal Two: Student Achievement

The percentage of students with disabilities scoring Not Met on SC Ready Math in grades 3-5 in Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) elementary schools will decrease by 2% each year through the 2027-2028 school year.

Goal Three: Student Achievement

The percentage of student scoring Meets and Exceeds Expectations on SC Ready ELA will increase at least 2% per year through the end of the 2027-2028 school year.

Staff Highlights

- Full-time School Resource Officer
- Read to Succeed Teacher Endorsements
- Certified GATE Teachers in Grades 3-5
- Trained ABA and BCBA Therapists
- On-Site Reading Coach
- On-Site Social Worker and Mental Health Counselor
- Supplemental Reading & Math Interventionists
- Teacher Leader Training Opportunities
- State Rookie Teacher of the Year Finalist
- 2020-2021 Capturing Kids' Hearts National Showcase School
- 2024-2026 Project Adam Drill Trained Staff
- Highest Positive Referrals in the district for February 2026

