# Meet Our Administration Team Better Together



I am the proud principal of Sires Elementary School. I have been a DD2 educator for 27 years, and I have been afforded many opportunities to grow as an educator in our district. My goal is to give back to the Sires community through building a community of learners who strive each day to meet the needs of all students. Through our shared vision and mission, Sires Elementary will continue to grow and thrive through our shared goals.

#### Jennifer Bates, Principal



This is my thirteenth year in education, both teaching and as an administrator. I am originally from Andrews, S.C., and I have enjoyed my move to Dorchester School District Two. I am extremely passionate about education and growing students and educators in all walks of life.

#### Dr. Jennifer Robinson, Assistant Principal



I couldn't be happier to be your assistant principal. I have worked in education for over 30 years. Please let me know how I may support you. My door is open to hear your joys and celebrations as well as to help with any concerns you may have.

Kori Brown, 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
CM Photography
Culver's
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
TMobile



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 2024-2025



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#### Volunteer Opportunities

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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
- Testing 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
- Purple Heart Liaisons
- Beanstack Reading
- Ray of the Day
- Junior Achievement
- 2nd Grade swim lessons

- 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



# STEM Opportunities

- One-to-One devices for grades Pk-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 Dads
- Mom to Mom Discussion Group
- 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

#### 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
- NCTM Math Conference

