

Our Mission

Aiken Intermediate School prepares a community of learners with academic skills, habits of mind, and leadership abilities necessary to succeed in a global society.

Our Vision

Our vision is to forge strong, positive relationships with students so they can build confidence, gain academic knowledge, and achieve independence.

School Improvement Council

E. Denise McCray, Principal

Jamie Byrne, Assistant Principal

Alecia Kinard, Assistant Principal

Cristine Raines, Faculty Representative

Tiiu Goode, Parent Representative

Chasity McDaniel, Parent Representative

Craig West, Parent Representative

Rashad Roland, Community Member

Aiken Intermediate School (AIS) offers an all sixth-grade experience. The academic and arts programs at AIS are specifically designed to meet the unique needs of 11- and 12-year-old students. The staff is committed to helping students transition from elementary school to middle school by providing academic instruction in small learning communities or learning camps. In addition, the single-grade school concept focuses on building confidence in students through a Social, Emotional Learning emphasis.

Social and emotional learning (SEL) provides the structure and process for adults and students to develop fundamental emotional and social competencies and experiences to:

- understand and manage emotions,
- set and achieve positive goals,
- feel and show empathy for others,
- establish and maintain positive relationships and make responsible decisions.

In addition, Aiken Intermediate School's SEL program, Capturing Kids' Hearts:

- builds and deepens a positive,
- nurturing school which in turn
- leads to long-term success for students.

AIKEN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

SIC ANNUAL REPORT
TO THE PARENTS
2022-2023



Title I School

E. Denise McCray
Principal

Jamie Byrne
Assistant Principal

Alecia Kinard
Assistant Principal

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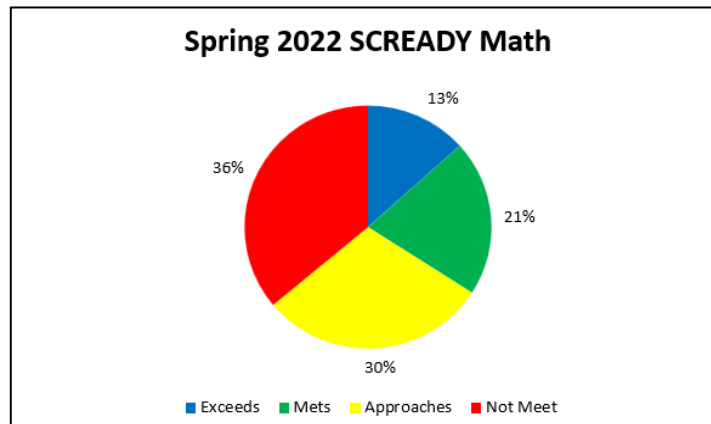
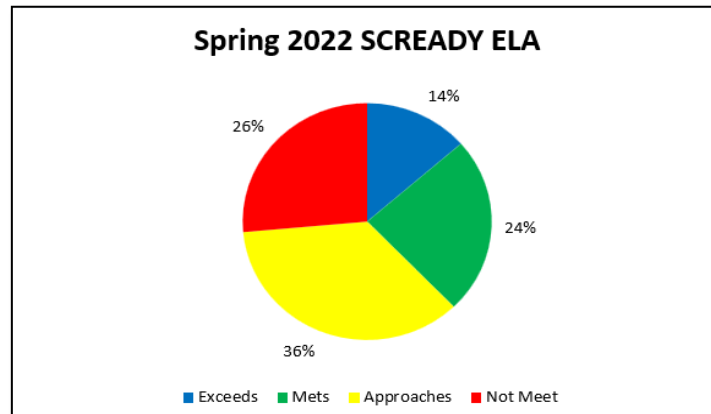
<https://www.acpsd.net/AIS>

Student Opportunities

- Social, Emotional Learning Focus
- COMPASS: Positive Behavior Interventions and Support Program
- Community Partnerships
 - Aiken Chapter of the Links, Inc.
 - Aiken Public Safety
 - Golden Harvest Food Bank
 - Local Area Schools (Aiken High, Kennedy Middle, North Aiken Elem., Schofield Middle)
 - Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots
 - Rural Health Services, Inc.
- Academic Team
- Artsfest (Winter and Spring)
- Battle of the Books
- Book Buddies
- Book Fairs
- ESOL Literacy Night
- Expedition AIS
- Explorer TV Crew
- Explorers of the Week
- Exploratory Program:
 - Art
 - Band
 - Chorus
 - Dance
 - Keyboarding
 - Music
 - Physical Education
 - STEM
 - Strings
- Literacy Nights
- Math Theme Days
- Media Center Assistants
- Office Assistants
- Purple Out for the Military Child Awareness Day
- Quarterly Goal Celebrations

- Read Across America Week
- Reading Challenge Incentive Program
- Red Ribbon Week Drug Prevention Awareness Week
- Rising 6th Grade Orientation Night
- School Dances
- Serteen
- She R.O.C.K.S
- Special Interest Clubs
- Spelling Bee
- Student Council

Student Achievement Data



Aiken Intermediate Recognition

- Capturing Kids' Hearts Campus
- Academic Team Wins
- Aiken County District Spelling Bee Group Four 2nd Place Recipient
- Battle of the Books Middle School 3rd Place District Winner
- 2023 Masters Tournament Outreach Program Essay Contest Winner
- 2023 Pickle Ball Grant Recipient for Physical Education
- Teacher of the Year- Ms. Amanda Landaverde
- First Year Teacher of the Year- Ms. Dana Ergle
- "Giving Even More" Recognition- Ms. Angela Mitchum



**HOME OF THE
EXPLORERS**