

OUR MISSION

The mission of Calhoun County Public Schools, is to empower all students to compete and succeed in this ever-changing global society.

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ST. MATTHEWS K-8 SCHOOL 2018- 2019 INITIATIVES

Teachers will continue to utilize research-based, rigorous, and effective instruction that is aligned to the SC Ready standards in order to meet the needs of all students.

- ◇ Implement ninety minutes of reading instruction for all students.
- ◇ Implement reading strategies and integrated reading software.
- ◇ Implement learning across the curriculum family activities.



Empower. Compete. Succeed.

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

- ◆ Accelerated Reading
- ◆ Top Readers
- ◆ Cocky's Reading Express
- ◆ Middle School Chorus
- ◆ Band and Honor Band
- ◆ Student Council
- ◆ Science Fair
- ◆ Morning News Teams
- ◆ Character Student of the Month
- ◆ After-School Enrichment
- ◆ Project- Life Positeen
- ◆ Boys and Girls Club
- ◆ Boys' Mentoring Group
- ◆ Gifted & Talented Program
- ◆ Montessori Program
- ◆ Black History Month Celebration
- ◆ Focused Tuesdays
- ◆ IXL
- ◆ Study Island
- ◆ AIMSweb
- ◆ Empower 3000
- ◆ StarFall
- ◆ BrainPop
- ◆ Reading Eggs
- ◆ Discovery Education
- ◆ Gateway to Technology
- ◆ Walk to School
- ◆ Book Fair
- ◆ High School Computer Courses
- ◆ Jr. Beta Club
- ◆ MLK Oratory Contest
- ◆ Athletic Program
- ◆ Homecoming
- ◆ Read Across America
- ◆ 100th Day of School Celebration
- ◆ R.I.D.D.E
- ◆ DARE
- ◆ Red Ribbon Week
- ◆ PLTW (STEM)
- ◆ ESOL Program
- ◆ Special Olympics
- ◆ Geek Fest
- ◆ Art Club
- ◆ Advisement
- ◆ Flag Detail
- ◆ Algebra I
- ◆ English I
- ◆ Literacy Coach Grant
- ◆ Spanish
- ◆ Hispanic Heritage Month
- ◆ One-to-One Devices
- ◆ Bullying Workshop
- ◆ Field Trips
- ◆ Family Math, Science and Literacy Night
- ◆ Fine Arts Night

OUR VISION

Our vision is to be the premier, competitive school district recognized globally for embracing the needs of each student.



OUR BELIEFS

We believe...

- ◆ in establishing and maintaining high expectations for all students.
- ◆ in technology being an integral part of our instructional program for success in a global society.
- ◆ in every student being responsible for his/her choices and actions.
- ◆ in providing challenging and rigorous experiences to develop confident and competent students.
- ◆ in an environment that encourages all to appreciate diversity.
- ◆ in change providing opportunities for academic, social, and personal growth.
- ◆ in student learning and success being a chief priority.
- ◆ in fostering cooperation and collaboration among stakeholders to promote engaging learning experiences.

"Together we have, can, and will do what's best for children."

OUR SCHOOL
Currently, 673 students are enrolled.

Community Outreach

- ◇ Canned Food Drive
- ◇ Adopt a Family at Christmas
- ◇ Veterans' Day Appreciation
- ◇ Backpack Program
- ◇ Volunteers Outreach Program
- ◇ Partnership with OCTech Education Dept.
- ◇ Teacher Cadets from CCHS
- ◇ USC's Cocky Reading Expresss
- ◇ Calhoun Cares
- ◇ Local Churches and Businesses Donations
- ◇ Rotary Club Partnership
- ◇ SCSU 1890 Research/Extension Program
- ◇ SCSU Consortium of the Arts
- ◇ Calhoun Convalescent Center
- ◇ Grandparents' Appreciation Day
- ◇ Calhoun County Library
- ◇ Clemson Cooperative Extension Program
- ◇ Local Sororities and Fraternities
- ◇ Columbia Fireflies Reading Program
- ◇ One School, One Book Initiative
- ◇ Donors Choose Program
- ◇ Dick Horne Foundation
- ◇ Tri-County Electric Cooperative
- ◇ Keith Agency
- ◇ Doughnuts for Dad
- ◇ Muffins for Mom

School Improvement Council

Mattie Buckner, **Chair**
Avis Gladden, **Secretary**

Treda Keith	Melissa Peeples
Priscilla Carter	Gloria Felder-Way
Linda Glover	Sherribia Hughes
Doretha Jones	Jeri jeffcoat
Lillian Whetstone	

Parent -Teacher Organization

Eloise Guinyard, **President**
Latrice Carson, **Vice President**
Shaniqua Hart, **Secretary**
Donnica Darby, **Treasurer**

RECOGNITIONS

**St. Matthews K-8 is a Palmetto
Silver Reward School**



**Nationally Certified Clinically Competent Speech
Therapists**

Courtney Dixon and Kandi Young

National Board Certified Teachers

Anita Fersner	Tamika Fordham
Wanda Green-Adams	Carolyn Snider

**Recipient of The SC Chamber of Commerce
Homework Center Grant Grades 2nd-5th**

USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant

Visual Arts Grant

**St. Matthews K-8 is Identified as a
Special Olympics/Unified Champion School**

Dick Horne Foundation Grant Recipients

Donnica Darby	Susan Morris
Chanell Dingle	Janice Smith
Gloria Felder-Way	Matilda Snell-Kinsey
MyKeida Middleton	Carolyn Snider

Donors Choose Grant Recipients

Tamika Fordham and Annette Wannamaker

USC Regional Science Fair Winners

Jayden Wallace and Jonovan Darby



**School Summary Report
2018-2019**

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Mrs. Treda Keith, Principal
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accredited by the Southern Association of
Colleges and Schools.*

St. Matthews K-8 is a Title I School

Recognitions Continued.....

**2017/2018 Newly Identified
Duke Tip Scholars**

Shaniya Adams	Evan Jenkins
Destiny Andrade	Andrew Joye
Amir Baker	Noemi Landeros-Silva
Gabriel Beatty	Jatoria McFadden
Zion Brunson	Brandon Myrick
Shanari Buckner	Kimberly Rivera-Aguirre
Raymeon Cunningham	Rodrigo Rizo
Kha'leya Davis	Juan Rodriguez
Joycelyn De La Cruz	Timothy Smith
Michelle De La cruz	Ruby Sowell
D'Aria Darby	AndraeaTapia
Jamari Elliott	Jayden Wallace
Jada Fludd	Robert Westberry
Avonte Grant	Roger Whaley
Elijah Hickson	Darrell Wiggins
	Kevin Wright

2017-2018 Student Council

President—Elon Tullock
Vice-President— Cameron Rose
Asst. Vice- President – Savanna Stevenson
Recording Secretary - Fantasia Griddle
Corresponding Secretary - Relinda Riley
Treasurer— LaDaysha Hamilton
Parliamentarian - Jeremy Fields
Asst. Parliamentarian— Shaniya Adams
Sergeant-At-Arms - Jayden Wallace
Chaplain - Jaylen Williams
Event Coordinator – Jatoria McFadden

2018—2019 Jr. Beta Club Inductees

Kenneth Green	Shade' Woody
Russell Brunson	Terez Sellers

**MLK Jr. School Level Oratory
Competition Winner**
Jeremy Fields