Our Mission

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

> **Calhoun County School District Board Members**

Gary Porth, Chair Kevin Jenkins, Vice-Chair **Debra Fredrick, Secretary** Sandra Tucker Ned Nelson



St. Matthews K-8 2017 - 2018 Initiatives:

Teachers will 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** \Diamond reading instruction for all students.
- Implement reading strategies and \Diamond integrated reading software.

The school will engage families in academic family nights and host parent workshops.



Empower. Compete. Succeed

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Accelerated Math

Middle School

Band and Honor

Student Council

Science Fair

the Month

Enrichment

Celebration

Veterans' Day

Study Island

First In Math

Empower 3000

Athletic Program

Star & Superstar

Literacy Night

Reading Eggs

S.O.S. Boys Club

Read Across America

AIMS Web

Field Trips

Readers

StarFall

Gateway to

Technology

Tutorials

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Recognition

Gifted & Talented

Montessori Program

Black History Month

♦ After-School

Program

Morning News

Chorus

Band

Teams

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- Accelerated Reading Walk to School ٠
 - ٠ Book Fair
 - High School
 - ٠ **Computer Course**
 - DARE
 - Jr. Beta Club ٠
 - 100th Day of School Celebration
 - Science Fest
 - R.I.D.D.E ٠
- Character Student of Academic Nights ٠
 - **ESOL**
 - **Special Olympics**
 - ٠ Geek Fest Art Club ٠

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- Advisement ٠
- ۲ Brain Pop ٠ **Book Character**
- Costume Day **Discovery Education**
- Author's Visits
- Science Lab
 - Flag Detail
- Cyber Bullying Workshops
- Claflin Saturday Academy
 - Algebra I
 - English I
- Literacy Coach Grant
- Spanish ٠

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- Cyberbullying work-٠ shop
- Hispanic Heritage ٠ Month
 - **One-to-One School**
- **Bullying Workshop**

OUR VISION

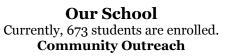
Our vision is to be the premier, competitive school district recognized globally for embracing the needs of each student.



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.



- ♦ Canned Food Drive
- ♦ Adopt a Family at Christmas
- ◊ Veterans' Day Appreciation
- > Family Burn-Out Relief Fund
- ♦ Backpack Program
- ◊ Volunteers Outreach Program
- > Partnership with OCTech Education Dept.
- > Teacher Cadets from CCHS
- ♦ Calhoun Cares
- Local Churches and Businesses Donations
- Claflin Talent Search Partnership
- ♦ Rotary Club Partnership
- ♦ SCSU 1890 Research and Extension Program
- ♦ SCSU Consortium of the Arts
- ♦ St. Matthews Parish Church
- ♦ Calhoun Convalescent Center
- ♦ Grandparents Day Appreciation
- ◊ Claflin Saturday Academy
- ♦ Calhoun County Library
- ◊ Clemson Cooperative Extension Program
- ◊ Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc
- ◊ Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.
- ◊ Columbia Fireflies Reading Program
- \diamond ~ One School , One Book Initiative
- ♦ Donors Choose Program
- ♦ Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
- ♦ Dick Horne Foundation
- ♦ Tri-County Electric Cooperative
- Doughnuts for Dad
- ◊ Muffins for Mom

School Improvement Council Dante Kinley, Chair Olivia Smith, Secretary

Barry Charley Doretha Jones Shakeila Izlar Zachary Pough Melissa Peeples Tamika Fordham Jeri Jeffcoat St. Matthews K8 Building on Excellence through Teaching and Learning Calhoun County School District School Summary Report

2016-2017

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Dr. Steve Wilson, Superintendent Mr. Barry Charley, Principal Dr. Melissa Peeples, Assistant Principal



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St. Matthews K-8 is a Title I School

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Recognitions

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



Nationally Certified Clinically Competent Speech Therapist Kandi Young and Courtney Dixon

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

USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant

Visual Arts Grant

Calhoun County District Teacher of the Year Tamika Fordham

Dick Horne Foundation Grant Recipients

Chanell Dingle Germaine Fields Tamika Fordham Anita Fersner Becky Haigler Roscoe Mitchell Janice Smith Matilda-Snell-Kinsey Carolyn Snider Alice Walker Gloria-Felder-Way

Donors Choose Grant Recipients Marla Fanning MyKeida Middleton

USC Regional Science Fair Winners Russell Brunson and Jatoria McFadden

> SC Junior Scholar Chekirah Woody



Recognitions Continued.....

2016-2017 Newly Identified

Duke Tip Scholars

Ethan AlsupKeavia HaynesKameron WrightJeremy FieldsDavid Garcia-ToribioMalachi MichaelJessica WestberryLuther AlsupElijah GuestDontrell IsmeEmily WestberryElon TullockTyreon Taylor- Benjamin

2016-2017 Student Council

President - James Kelly Vice-President - Kenneth Green Asst. Vice- President – Tacoma Magnan Recording Secretary - Ajahnae Brigmon Corresponding Secretary - De'India Elmore Asst. Corresponding Secretary – Relinda Riley Treasurer—Jamari Howell Parliamentarian - Jatoria McFadden Asst. Parliamentarian - Adamaris Martinez-Rodriguez Sergeant-At-Arms - Brandon Myrick Asst. Sergeant – At-Arms – Shanari Buckner Chaplain - Montez Haynes Event Coordinator – Dontrell Isme

2016-2017 Jr. Beta Club Inductees

Russell Brunson Tyrese Duckson Jayanna Goodwin James Kelly Dannesha Seawright Terez Sellers Shade' Woody Chekirah Woody

MLK, Jr. Oratory Competition District Winner Jeremy Fields

Poster Contest, "A Place Called Home" 1st Place Erika Carter

> Poster Contest, "Only You Can Prevent Wildfires" 1st Place Andrea Tapia