



Advisor/Advisee  
6th grade Orientation  
Spelling Bee  
Veterans Day Program  
Quarterly Honor Roll Award Ceremonies  
Quarterly Benchmark Celebrations  
Mentor Program  
Future City  
Middle School Open House  
Literacy/STEAM Nights  
Field Trips (Virtual)  
Da Capo  
Black History Program  
Progress Reports every 2.5 weeks  
Career Development Speakers  
WNEM Morning News Team  
Wolverine Student Newspaper  
Wolverine Designs & Prints Student Business  
Weekly Blackboard Connect Calls, texts, and emails to parents  
Reading Counts Reading Program  
School-wide STEAM Projects  
Artist in Residencies  
National Junior Art Honor Society Induction  
National Junior BETA Club Induction  
SRNS Science & Engineering Fair  
Yearbook  
Boys' & Girls' Gender Book Clubs  
Cyber Patriot Competition Teams  
Rising & New Student Orientation  
Social Media Connections via Facebook, Twitter & School Website  
Book Fair  
Battle of the Books  
Virtual District Visual Art Show

**Thank you  
for your  
support!**



**2020-2021 School Improvement Council (SIC)  
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

Shunté Dugar, Principal  
Kyle Blankenship, Assistant Principal

**SIC ELECTED MEMBERS**

Mike Rosier, Parent Member  
Natacha Newell, Parent Member  
Patricia Saxon, Teacher Liaison  
Bridgett Kears, Teacher Liaison

**SIC APPOINTED MEMBERS**

Cindy Boles, Community Member  
Sonya Mazzell, Community Member (Chair)

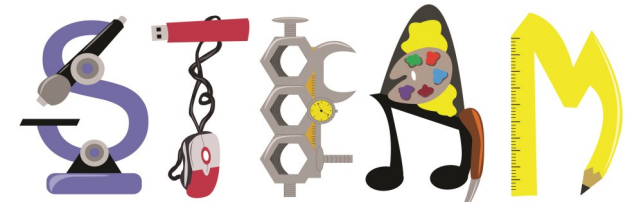
**SIC ATTENDEES**

Bridgett Kears, Title I Facilitator  
Pinkie Johnson, PTO President  
Kimberly Fontanez  
Mallory Berley  
Sonya Mazzell  
Cindy Boles  
Artie Walker  
Elizabeth Harm

Check out our website:  
<https://www.acpsd.net/NEMS>

Visit us on Twitter:  
[@NEMS\\_STEAM](https://twitter.com/NEMS_STEAM)

*NEW ELLENTON  
MIDDLE*



*MAGNET SCHOOL*

**School Improvement Council**

*Report to Parents  
2020-2021*



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## Purpose

New Ellenton Middle STEAM Magnet School will be a school of academic excellence that fosters academic achievement through innovative teaching practices, which will include the infusion of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) curricula, building strong community relations through the collaboration of all stakeholders, and facilitates the ongoing development of well-rounded, productive citizens.



## Title I

New Ellenton Middle STEAM Magnet School is a Title I school that receives federal funding based on the poverty index of our school. This funding is intended to assist in providing programs and educational opportunities to our students.

This year, Title I funds were utilized to pay a teacher's salary for class-size reduction, purchase laptops for students, computers for teachers, instructional supplies, educational resources, student incentives, software licenses, professional development opportunities, parent communication software, and parental involvement activities.

## SIC Goals

In addition to supporting the NEMS Vision & Mission, the School Improvement Council has set the goal of constructing an outdoor classroom in the school's courtyard for outdoor teaching, lunch enjoyment, and outdoor STEAM programs.

## Student Achievement

*\*Due to Covid-19, standardized assessments were suspended and no new data is available to report.\**



The percentage of students who scored Approaches, Meets, or Exceeds on the 2019 SC Ready compared to the State averages.

Subject	NEMS	State	Difference +/-
Math	77.4%	73.2%	+4.2%
English	77.9%	73.2%	+4.7%

The percentage of students who scored Approaches, Meets, or Exceeds on the 2019 SCPASS Science or Met or Exemplary on 2019 SCPASS Social Studies compared to the State averages.

Subject	NEMS	State	Difference +/-
Science	82.6%	71.4%	+11.2%
Social Studies	75%	67.6%	+7.4%

**100% of students in Algebra 1 passed the End of Course Exam (EOC).**

**100% of English 1 students passed the End of Course Exam (EOC).**

*For more detailed information, you may view the New Ellenton Middle School South Carolina Report Card online at <https://screportcards.ed.sc.gov/>*

## Points of Pride

- Cognia STEM Accredited School
- Community partnerships:
  - Aiken County Sheriff's Office
  - Stepping Stones
  - Grace Covenant Church of God
  - St. Paul United Methodist Church
  - Four Mile Baptist Church
  - Cedar Creek Church
  - Cedar Creek Community
  - SRS, SRNS, SRNL
  - NEMS PTO
  - City of New Ellenton
  - New Ellenton Police Department
  - New Ellenton Fire Department
- STEAM Program
- Technology Guarantees
- SRNS Teacher Mini Grant Awards
- PEP Grants
- National Board Certified Teachers
- 100% Highly Qualified Faculty
- Mentor Programs
- Donors Choose Technology Grants
- National Junior BETA Club
- Junior Scholars
- Individualized Learning Plans
- National Jr. Art Honor Society
- Tri-M Music Honor Society
- Arts & Basic Curriculum Grant
- Distinguished Arts Program Grant
- Catchup Cafe

## Direction

New Ellenton Middle STEAM Magnet School will provide a safe, nurturing learning environment where individual needs, differences, and abilities of students are recognized and where students are challenged to excel in a global society with the support of parents, highly-qualified professional educators, school support staff, and the community.