

## Our Vision

At A.C. Corcoran Elementary School, we believe we should always be responsible for our actions, treat others with respect and dignity, and strive daily to be the best that we can be!

## Greetings from the SIC Chair

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to serve as your School Improvement Council (SIC) Chairperson. The SIC has worked closely with our administration this year to continue to improve the education of the students at A.C. Corcoran Elementary School. We have continued the following Mathematics and Reading programs to boost our students scores on the state test and Measure of Academic Progress (MAP): Achieve 3000, Smarty Ants, Lexia, Dreambox and ALEKS. Students enjoy learning using these programs, and they can be used at home. Please ask your child about the education programs he/she uses at school. We have collected, and carefully considered data from parents, students, teachers, and test results to identify areas in need of further improvement. The areas addressed this year include:

- Improving communication between the school , parents and the community
- Improving MAP scores
- Improving SC Ready Test scores
- Building a stronger character education program using Second Steps

The SIC has made significant progress in these areas and looks forward to, with your help, identifying new goals for the upcoming school year .

Amy Williams, SIC Chairperson

## School Improvement Council

### Members

2017-2018

Amy Williams	SIC Committee Chair
Quenetta G. White	Principal
Karen Lee	Assistant Principal
Jeanette Johnson	Parent Liaison
Teresa Wilson	Reading Coach
Monica Smalls	Guidance Counselor
Denise Haight	Literacy Interventionist
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Meg Balcer	Literacy Interventionist
Miriam Hood-Riley	Teacher
Beth Evans	Parent/Secretary
Lakeshia Hicks	Parent
Latonya Wine	Parent
Timothy Wilson	Parent

Members of the SIC committee can be contacted through the school by calling the front office.

## School Improvement Council

### Mission

*"To facilitate meaningful parent and community involvement in our state's public schools by providing resources, tools and strategies to local School Improvement Councils and other stakeholder groups."*

# A.C. Corcoran Elementary SIC Report to Parents

**2017-2018**

**Quenetta G. White, Principal**

**Karen Lee, Assistant Principal**

*This brochure is designed to provide information to parents highlighting the school's progress and the objectives of the school's strategic plan.*

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# A.C. Corcoran Elementary 2017-18

## **Special Activities and Community Service**

- School Carnivals
- Kaleidoscope
- Corcoran Chorus
- Animal Shelter Drive
- Food Drive
- Recycling Initiative
- Corcoran Morning Show
- Bulldog Bulletin
- Donuts for Dads
- Muffins for Moms
- Pennies for Patients Drive
- Field Day
- Walk to School Day
- Quarterly Awards Ceremony
- South State Banking Club
- March of Dimes
- PBIS Monthly Celebrations
- Dental Van
- Reading Partners

## **Opportunities for Parent Involvement**

- Title I Planning Team
- PTA Activities
- Volunteering
- PBIS Activities
- Parent Education Nights

## **Special Recognitions**

- Aleshia Bedsole - Teacher of the Year
- Gabrielle Speight- Rookie Teacher of the Year

## **Positive Behavior Intervention School**

*Our school focuses on the development of positive attitudes for learning, for the environment and for each other. Our motto is:*

*P Being prepared*

*A Acting responsibly*

*W Working to do your best*

*S Showing respect*

## **Second Steps**

The elementary years bring exciting new challenges and opportunities. It's the ideal time to nurture social-emotional competence and develop foundational learning skills. Using the evidence-based *Second Step* curriculum has been shown to **decrease problem behaviors**, and it's designed to promote school success, self-regulation, and a sense of safety and support.

**“Kindness is the New Cool”**

## **Instructional Highlights**

- Achieve 3000
- ALEKS
- Dreambox
- Smarty Ants
- Reflex
- After school tutoring
- Head Start
- Child Development Program
- Intervention in Reading & Math (K-4th)
- Gifted and Talented Program
- Instruction in Art, Music and Physical Education
- Lexia
- Media instruction and resources
- Smartboards in CD-5 classrooms
- One to One iPads in every classroom
- Reading Recovery
- Reading/Writing Workshop
- MyOn Reading Program

## **Communication to Parents**

- Bulldog Folder
- School Website
- Marquee
- Parent Link
- Newsletter/Flyers
- Conferences
- Dojo