SIC/Title I Committee:

James Frye: Community Member & SIC Chair

Christian Carter: Policy Council Chair

Jahness Dixon: Parent
Deborah Coakley: Parent
Eduardo Curry: CPN

Jill Hulsen: CPN Vicky Ingalls: CPN

Councilman Michael Brown: Community Member

Latarsha Giles: Community Member Charles James: Community Member Binoo Hasijah: Community Member Jerome Wright: Business Partner

Syntche Burns: Teacher Jennifer Sutton: Teacher

Lisa Ritter: Teacher

Solange Brewer: District Title I Liaison

Patti Clerc: Guidance Counselor Iroasha Washington: Parent Advocate

Tonisha Brown: Bookeeper

Ruth Taylor: Principal

Loretta Hart: Assistant Principal

Patricia Anderson: Program Specialist



Community Partners:

























Family Law

BEYOND COMPARE



SIC/Title I Report to Parents



3180 Thomasina McPherson Blvd. N. Charleston, SC 29405 (843) 745-7131

The Mary Ford "Magic" Thrives In Spite of COVID

The Pandemic has brought about a new normal for educating our little scholars. The early learning experience has been wrought with social distancing, faces covered by masks, regular sanitizing, limited inschool and out of school events, limited classroom visits by parents, virtual learning and a myriad other strategies and protocols to combat the virus. The dedicated and dynamic staff here at Mary Ford Early Learning & Family Center have had to be creative in order to circumvent some of the inherent issues and challenges presented by this unprecedented environment. In spite of COVID, we have continued our vision to be a high-quality, full service program.

- Some of our notable happenings include:
- Impressive academic growth as a whole (see schoolwide data chart)
- Data-based Professional Development for staff
- OGAP (On-Going Assessment Program) Math
- EL Curriculum implementation for Kindergarten
- Conscience Discipline Social/Emotional Framework
- Heggerty's Phonemic Awareness
- National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Accreditation (pending)
- Phenomenal Parenting events and parent participation
- Wellness Wednesdays with Fetter Healthcare Mobile Unit on campus



- Regular fresh fruits, vegetables and other food distributions
- Adult Ed in-house collaboration and support
- In-house field experiences
- · Children's Museum of the Lowcountry
- · Stretch N Grow
- Parent/Child Interaction Therapy room along with trained therapists on site
- After-school enrichment supported by community partner Charleston Promise Neighborhood and Head Start
- Strong Community and Business Partner support (listed on back)

And still we rise!

In Service to our Families, Ruth Taylor, Principal

Family & Community



- Parent Advocates
- Parent Child Interaction Therapist
- Guidance Counselor
- Parenting programs
- Food pantry
- Clothes closet (serving adults, and children)
- Fetter Family Health medical supports
- Food distributions
- Emergency laundry services
- Rental & utility assistance
- Adult Education



Academic Data

In CD, students take the myIGDI's early literacy and early numeracy assessment three times a year. These scores indicate school-wide growth in many areas in CD including sound identification, rhyming, oral counting, and one-to-one correspondence.

Head Start Students take the GOLD assessment quarterly. This assessment measures student growth in six domains including literacy and mathematics. Three year old students showed significant growth in these two domains during the 2020-21 school year with almost all HS students meeting or exceeding expectations by the end of the year.



High Risk

Some Risk

Low Risk



K early Math



Kindergarten students take the Fastbridge earlyReading & earlyMath assessment three times a year. Scores from the 2020-21 school year indicate 61% of students were at the low risk level for both math & reading by the end of the year.