

**Growth Partners**



**School Improvement Council**

- Mrs. Cindy Smalls Interim Principal
- Marsha Aleem, Community Member/Chair
- Rickey Nesbitt, Community Member/Vice-Chair
- Tierra Grant, Parent/Secretary
- Robert Bowens, Parent
- Clanice Barron, Teacher
- Skylette Scott, Teacher
- Amy Wrenn, Teacher
- Willie Brooks, Parent Advocate
- Sharon Gadsden, Instructional Coach
- Deitra Gibbs, School Counselor

# Home of the "Mini-Cats"



## Demographics

- Enrollment : 186
- Mascot: "Mini-Cat"
- School Colors: Maroon & Gold
- Grades : Head Start -5th
- 2019 State Report Card Rating : Average

## Highlights

- 1:1 Technology (Chromebooks)
- PBIS School, to promote positive behavior among students
- Personalized Learning
- Project Lead the Way Grant Recipient
- Annual Reading Carnival



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## Minnie Hughes Elementary School

### 2020-2021 SIC Report to the Parents



*"Students Committed to Learn,  
Teachers Committed to Educate,  
Parents Committed to Support"*

**Mrs. Cindy Smalls,  
Interim Principal**

**Dr. Jennifer Swearingen,  
Director of Elementary Learning**

Charleston > excellence is our standard  
County SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Minnie Hughes  
Elementary School**

## Committment

Minnie Hughes Elementary School is committed to creating a school culture of teamwork and collaboration that will ensure all of our students have the World Class Skills and the life & career characteristics of the South Carolina Graduate.

Minnie Hughes continues to provide quality academic and personalized learning opportunities for our students through hands-on, exploration, inquiry and social emotional development. Our educators, students, and parents work collaboratively in setting the tone for student-driven goals that promote academic rigor.

We are a committed team of educators aimed at enhancing our school's culture and focus on a vision of excellence school wide. We strategically use innovative programs such as the 21<sup>st</sup> Century afterschool program to complement & support the academic achievement of all students.

Our school community values the commitment of all of our stakeholders and we know that, together, we can advance student learning, equity, and overall success.

Cindy Smalls Interim Principal  
Marsha Aleem. SIC Chairperson

## Curriculum

- Open Cour Phonics
- I-Ready Digital Content (Math & Reading)
- Zearn Math
- Myon Reading Resources
- Learning A-Z (RAZ Kids), HeadSprout)
- Discovery Education (Science & Social Studies)
- Brainware
- Lexia



## Communication

- Ongoing updates to school website
- Automated phone calls to homes
- Minnie Hughes Facebook Page
- Parent Resource Center (Media Center)
- Blackboard Email/Text Message to parents
- Digital Suggestion Box on School Website
- School-wide/Title I Newsletters
- Home Visits
- Data Meetings to keep parents current with student progress.



## Community

- Full Time Instructional /Reading Coach
- Highly Qualified Teachers
- Small Classroom Sizes
- Boys & Girls Mentoring Groups
- School-wide PBIS model implemented to promote positive behaviors, with quarterly PBIS celebrations as an incentive for meeting behavioral and academic goals.
- Monthly Reading Celebrations
- Grandparents' Day Celebration
- Volunteer Program
- Quarterly Virtual/Curb-Side Parent Nights to provide opportunities for parent involvement
- Parent/Student driven Reading Logs
- Full-Time Reading Interventionist
- Full-Time Math Interventionist
- Annual Spring Literacy Carnival
- Student Council
- Quarterly Awards Day Celebration
- Parent Field Trips
- Over 200 Chromebooks to incorporate technology into classroom instructions and support research.