Awards and Grants

- CCSD Top 5 Teacher of the Year— Chakadasovavan Or, 2022
- CCSD Teacher of the Year- Mia Pace, 2017
- CCSD Art Award Winner, 2017
- Cool School of the Year for CCSD, 2016
- Fruits & Vegetables Healthy Snack Program
- Regional Science Fair 2nd Place, 2018
- USC Read Your Way to the Big Game, 2017

What Makes Mitchell ES Special? (Activities during a non-Covid year)

- D-20 Night with Burke High School
- Green Heart urban farm education program and annual Harvest Dinner celebration
- Honors and Awards quarterly ceremonies
- Interactive Literacy monthly family programs
- Kaleidoscope afterschool enrichment program
- Science as a Related Art
- Star Student of the Week recognitions
- Strings Grades 3-5 violin lessons
- Student Leadership Council
- Terrific Kids





Julian Mitchell ES is know across the district for the many murals and displays of student art and classwork throughout the school.

Administrative Leadership Team Dr. Amber Sainz, Principal Brian Keough, Assistant Principal Alison Johnson, Guidance Counselor Morneek Holloway, Secretary, Bookkeeper Cierra Hennix, Data Clerk Kayvonna Brown, Behavior Interventionist Christina Nance, School Psychologist Kate Seay, School Nurses Courtney Canosa, Reading Coach Allison Rouse, Mathematics Coach

Teacher of the Year, 2021-22 Chakadasovavan Or

Rookie Teacher of the Year, 2022-22 Javon Clark

Our PBIS Positive Behavior Program

- **S** Safe | *Be Careful*
- **H** Honest | *Be Trustworthy*
- A Ambitious | Do Your Best
- **R** Respectful | *Be Courteous*
- **K** Kind | Help Others

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2021-2022 Annual School Improvement Council

Report To Parents



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Our Shared Mission at Julian Mitchell Elementary School is creating a safe, supportive, and loving environment where all students can become independent and lifelong learners.



SIC Purpose and Goals

The purpose of this annual *School Improvement Council Report to Parents* is to highlight the progress our school is making in achieving the goals and objectives for our *School Renewal Plan*. This report has been developed to share the challenges and successes of the school, students, parents, and teachers.

Mitchell Purpose Statement

Mitchell Elementary will close the opportunity gap for its scholars by ensuring all students are engaged in rigorous academics, provided equitable opportunities, have a safe, caring, and supportive learning environment, find their voice, and are able to pursue their hopes and dreams. Mitchell students will move mountains.

Our SIC Planning Cycle

At our first meeting this year, the members of our SIC used this plan to guide or work:

- 1. Learn about our school's needs
- 2. Choose one area of focus
- 3. Set a goal for improvement for that area
- 4. Decide on a SIC activity to meet that goal
- 5. Make a plan to implement and evaluate the activity—did we accomplish our goal?

Area of Focus for 2022-2023

Family Engagement and Communication



Community Partnerships (During a non-Covid year)

TBonz Foundation—Rev Foods Restaurant Group Sponsors of the Yoga, REACH Sailing, and Green Heart Urban Farm Programs at Mitchell ES

Rotary Readers

Volunteers read weekly with our students

Charleston Hope

Supports parents and students with *Math Men*tors, Girls Step-In, counseling, and PTA activities

Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Trinity Provides classroom supplies, clothing, & holiday gifts for students as well as classroom volunteers

Burke HS and Simmons Pinckney MS Host the annual *Read Across America Literacy Carnival* for Mitchell students in Grades CD-2

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity & City of Charleston Provides mentors for the Lunch Buddies program

Kiwanis Club of Charleston Sponsors the monthly Terrific Kids program

Unitarian Church of Charleston Funds field trips transportation for Grade CD-5

LowCountry Food Bank

Supplies Backpack Buddies weekend food kits

MUSC TeleHealth and Carolina Access Dental Offers student medical/dental services at school

College of Charleston IGNITE Program

Hosts computer coding lessons for Grades 3-5

Communities in Schools Provides student mentoring and family supports

Kids Teaching Flood Resilience Collaboration with special area protecting the salt marsh

For more information, you may view Julian Mitchell Elementary School's "SC School Report Card" for previous school years online at www.ed.sc.gov

Julian Mitchell School Improvement Council Members | 2021-22

Courtney Canosa, Chairperson

Parents Florence Peters

Morneek Holloway

Teachers and Staff

Alison Johnson Dr. Amber Sainz Brian Keough Edie Crook

Community Members

Allison Hilton Kendall Biga Emily Kerr

Accomplishments of the SIC

- Helped, planned and participated in D-20 Family Night
- Identified areas for improvement in the school's systems (instruction, operations, administration)
- Established Virtual Family Game Nights
- Helped clarify and streamline communication systems (call-outs, newsletters, emails, etc.)
- Promoted virtual field trips to extend learning
- Facilitated and planned end-of-year celebrations
- Gathered stakeholder input on plans for the coming school year (spending, programs, staff)

The Julian Mitchell SIC meets on the last Wednesday of each month and all Mitchell parents, community members, and teachers are invited to attend to provide input into school activities, budgets, instructional and operational decisions with the focus of supporting school-wide goals for improvement.