

## Greetings from the SIC Chair

The School Improvement Council at Malcolm C. Hursey Elementary School is excited to report on the accomplishments of our students and staff during the 2014-2015 school year. We are striving for excellence inside and outside of the classroom by embracing the use of technology, engaging our families in the learning process, and building a strong community of learners. We have students in traditional and Montessori classrooms that participate in Lunch Buddies, Reading Partners, the Running Club, Strings, Garden Classroom, Kids Market, the Innovation Zone Learning Community activities and youth basketball and baseball.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Carole Hernandez  
SIC Chairperson



**VISION 2016**  
CHARLESTON ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE

## MALCOLM C. HURSEY

Bridge School  
Established Montessori Partial Magnet  
Promising Practices Award  
Reading Partners  
American Montessori Society Accredited

40 Certified Staff / 18 with Masters Degrees  
2 National Board Certified Teachers  
1 Educational Specialist Degree  
3 Doctoral Degrees  
17 Certified Montessori Teachers

Teacher of the Year  
**Patricia Ard**

Rookie Teacher of the Year  
**Kenya Hill**

Palmetto Gold Recipient  
**Terry Lupo, RN**

Classified Employee of the Year  
**Kathy Voell**

PTA President  
**Gayle Collins**

SIC Chairman  
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## 2014-15 MALCOLM C. HURSEY



## Mission

To develop invested relationships with open communication between students, staff, families and the community; to create a child centered, hands-on invitational prepared environment where all students are expected to be high achievers and act responsibly as global citizens; to learn together in a professional learning community; and to provide a positive climate and culture, where respect for self and others through grace, courtesy, and a passion for learning are felt, heard, and seen.

## Principal

Timothy G. Schavel, Ed.D.

## Purpose & Perspective

Charleston > excellence is our standard  
County SCHOOL DISTRICT

Improvement Rating - Average

Absolute Rating - Average

ESEA Rating - C

# Results

## DATA DRIVEN STRATEGIES

- Balanced Literacy Framework
- Reading Recovery
- MTSS team for targeted services
- Primary Grade Academy
- Reading Partners

## CHARACTER EDUCATION

- Building the 3 Rs (Respect, Responsibility, and Ready to Learn)
- Peace Education
- Character Detectives
- Service Learning Projects such as Food Drive and Water Missions
- Student of the Month Luncheon

## ENRICHMENT EXTENSIONS

- Field Trips/Guest Speakers/Career Fairs
- After-school Kaleidoscope Program
- Active PTA
- Lunch Buddy/Mentors
- Scratch Computer Programming Club
- Future City
- Gifted and Talented Program
- Running Club, Basketball & Baseball
- Strings Lessons
- Classroom Technology Integration with iPads

# Access

## COMMUNICATION

- Parent -Teacher Newsletters & Written Communication
- Each teacher accessible through telephone and e-mail
- Parent Link call-out system from school to home
- School Website /Facebook
- Principal practices “Open Door Policy”
- Parent/Community Seminars
- Montessori Parent Nights

## INTERVENTIONS & EXTENSIONS

- Liberty Hill Improvement Council Afterschool Literacy Program
- Professional Development Coordinator
- ELL Support
- Reading Coach
- Associate Reading Teacher 1st -6th
- Full-time Mental Health Counselor
- School Counselor/Parent Educator
- Full-time Nurse
- Benefits Bank Counselor Available
- Distinguished Gentlemen’s Club

## EDUCATION WITH INNOVATION

- Garden Classroom with fully developed integrated curriculum
- Montessori Program
- Duke TIP Scholars

# Partnerships

## COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

- Business and Community Partnerships
  - Chick-fil-A
  - Corbin’s Hitch
  - Lamar’s Barbershop
  - Cummins Turbo Technologies
  - City of North Charleston
  - Liberty Hill Improvement Council
  - The Orange Spot Coffee House
  - First In Tee Golf
  - Squirrel’s Club - South State
  - MUSC Institute of Psychiatry
  - North Charleston Rotary
  - School of the Arts Teacher Cadets
  - NCHS Teacher Cadets
  - Increasing Hope, Inc.
  - SPAWAR
  - SC Strong
  - Low Country Food Bank
  - The Citadel
  - SCANA
  - McDonald’s
  - The Barbeque Joint
  - St Thomas Episcopal Church

