

# A Safe Restart

Last year was an amazing year, even with the extenuating circumstances due to COVID-19! While this school year feels much different from any school year we've ever experienced, we continue to provide a safe and engaging learning environment.

This year's theme is "Young Minds Bloom Here". We spent the summer "blooming" with construction and are very proud of the additional renovations. District 9's first Montessori School is now even more beautiful for our students to learn and grow. We thank our families, staff and community for their help in working to support our goal of creating five outdoor classrooms where our scholars can take learning beyond the walls of our classrooms and get lots of fresh air.

During the 20-21 school year, we have 3 Primary classes of three, four and five year olds and two Lower Elementary class of 6 and 7 year olds. Once again we are full and have a waiting list! The future continues to look bright for Frierson Montessori School.



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2019-2020

Annual Report to the Parents

# Edith L. Frierson

## Montessori School For District 9

Primary Montessori: 3, 4, 5 year olds

Lower El 1st-2nd grade

Non-Montessori Classes: Grades 3rd-5th

Coming in the 2021-2022 School Year

**FIVE MONTESSORI CLASSROOMS:**

3—Primary Classrooms

3—Lower El



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## Our Mission

The **mission** of E. L. Frierson School is to develop confident life-long learners who are competent, responsible, and self-motivated by providing a safe environment where parents and teachers support children as they explore an integrated, culturally diverse, and innovative curriculum that fosters critical thinking and creativity.



Due to the extended school closure as a result of the COVID19 virus, the South Carolina State Department of Education waived testing for the 2019-20 school year. Based upon the most recent 2018-2019 Report Card, in the area of student progress our students in grades 3rd-5th are ranked as "average". This indicates that they were on track to meet *The Profile of the SC Graduate Standards*. The lowest performing 20% of students made academic progress at a rate of 44.2%. We are also proud of the growth we see in our Montessori students.

With the support of our families and community, our goal is to continue to work toward high levels of student engagement to ensure all students meet and exceed standards.

