

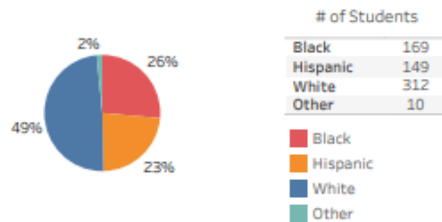
School Club Offerings

- Drama Club
- Running
- School Musical
- Dance
- Robotics
- Girls Club
- Tennis
- Cooking
- Yearbook
- Student Council
- Spanish

School Statistics

Enrollment: 640 approx.
Grades: CD-5th

2019-20 Student Ethnicity



*56.6% Students living in Poverty

*source: 2019 School Data Dashboard

SIC Membership

Angel Oak School Improvement Council is an action committee consisting of parents, teachers, and community members that strives to improve our school.



Who?



Elected Members:

Chairperson:
Leslie Boyer–Parent

Vice- Chairperson:
Scott Appleby– Parent

Secretary:
Alexis Marshall – Teacher

Teachers:
Jillian Bruton
Anna Stokes

Parents:
Susan Batts
Paul Sebestyen
Brad Taggart
Ellie Whitcomb

Appointed Members:
Ryan Vrbo- Community
Barbara Griffin-Community

Ex-Officio:
Judith Condon- Principal
Stephanie Becks-Assistant Principal
Valerie Grant-Secretary/Bookkeeper

Parent Teacher Association Representative:
Stephanie DeRosa

Angel Oak Elementary School



What?

2019-20 School Improvement
Council Annual Report to Parents
and Community

This report is issued by the Angel Oak Elementary School Improvement Council (SIC) in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

School Highlights for 2019-20

- Implemented Second Step curriculum school-wide to support social-emotional learning
- Wellness Committee was awarded a Cooper River Bridge Run Grant for \$750.00, 20 race entries and 20 Kids Run entries
- New student clubs added: Soccer, Drama Club Jr. Photography, World Travelers, Jewelry, Bully Blasters and Yoga, Connect Kids
- Addition of a 5th kindergarten class, a 4th grade strings class and an Assistant Principal
- Received Certificate of Outstanding Performance from the district for "Decreasing Truancy for the Past Two Years" (Sept. 2019)
- Addition of a full-time School Resource Officer
- Created Multiplication Bee for 4th and 5th grade students
- 15 students were recognized as Duke Tip Scholars for scoring at or above the 95th percentile on an accepted grade-level national standardized achievement or abilities test and/or scoring at or above the 95th percentile on a state assessment
- Over 300 grandparents attended Grandparents Lunches in September in celebration of Grandparent's Day
- Participated school-wide in Hispanic Heritage Month with activities and guest bilingual readers
- Increased rating on South Carolina School Report Card by 4 points overall. More importantly, we moved from Below Average to Average in Academic Achievement and from Average to Good in Student Engagement
- "Bully Blasters" group created by a 4th grade student to promote Bullying Prevention Month during October

-Received plaque for being a "Report Card Champion" from the district for School Report Card growth

-Recognized by the CCSD Title I department for completion of requirements for our Title I crate for 2018-19

-Recognized by The Trooper Bob Safety Squad as a school trained in best safety practices as students travel to and from school each day

-Mayor John Tecklenburg met with our AOE Robotics Team to discuss their projects addressing city flooding solutions

-Nominated for South Carolina Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association Rewards for Excellence program for our school's Social Media presence

-Over 400 parents and family members attended the Winter Holiday Luncheon with students

-Addition of a .5 Special Education Resource Teacher and full-time Special Education Teaching Assistant

-Purchased headsets to assist in translation during events and parent meetings (PTA, SIC, etc.) and held meetings specifically to obtain feedback and increase engagement for our Hispanic families

-Book Fair sales doubled in profit during Literacy week to help support our growing library collection

-Ms. Kristin Craft, teacher at AOE, received the CCSD District Level ESOL Teacher of the Year Award

-Arts integration training was expanded to include CD teachers to provide fidelity in school-wide implementation

-Grammy award winner, Charlton Singleton, spoke and performed to 4th grade classes.

-Extended family events through additional Literacy and Math nights to serve all students CD-5th grade

-Worked in collaboration with St. John's HS to support Student Ambassadors, Islander Spirit Days and Carolina Studios Music Production mobile bus

-Completed a "One School, One Book" reading of the book, Freckle Juice

-Shout-out board yard signs, Breakfast Club, Hootie Bingo Board, Shout-out Box and other PBIS initiatives were expanded to support a positive school culture and climate

-Mr. Tommy Davis, Head Custodian/Day Porter, received the Budd Group Employee of the Year Award for his hard work and dedication

-Ms. Sweeney, art teacher, was one of 5 art teachers from schools in CCSD to receive a Fresh Artists grant for a specialized art kit to support our student artists. This was a competitive process with far more requests than available art kits

-Improved attendance rates from 96% to 97.63% (Winter 2019-Winter 2020) while also managing a significant population increase

-The percentage of 2nd-5th grade students who met or exceeded their Math MAP goals increased by over 20 percentage points from Winter 2019 to Winter 2020. The percentage of students meeting or exceeding their Reading MAP goals has also increased by over 15 percentage points from Winter 2018 to Winter 2020.

-AOE was honored to be voted "Most Loved Public Elementary School" in Charleston by parents and community members for 2020 on HulaFrog

-Ms. Norberg, 2nd grade teacher, was recognized by the Charleston Gaillard Center as the Gaillard STAR teacher for the month of March

-577 students were screened locally for vision/hearing and the Dental Van serviced 80+ students

-AOE families participated in the “Recess at Home” challenge sponsored by our Wellness Committee to promote physical activity outside of school

-All classes participate in “Black History Month: Through the Senses” to celebrate the accomplishments and contributions of amazing people throughout history

-In March, teachers participated in the “Artful Thinking Challenge” to using Harvard’s Project Zero strategies in the classroom to increase higher order thinking and rigor of questioning

-In May, our school received a Wellness Checklist grant from MUSC Boeing Center for Children's Wellness. Every year, participating Charleston schools gain points for completing activities on the list in categories like Nutrition, Physical Activity, Social-Emotional Well-being, Establishing a Wellness Culture, Employee Connections, and Sustainability.

-Beginning March 13, we responded to the challenges of the Coronavirus epidemic.

Services/materials provided to families:

-“Learn at Home” Notebooks and daily assignments (over 640+ notebooks distributed)

- Digital devices for learning support (by request/need, over 100 devices distributed)

- Teacher check-ins with families at least 2x a week

- Class meetings via Zoom and Google Classroom at least once a week

- Virtual small group and one-on-one acceleration and remediation sessions with teachers for differentiated learning

- Daily morning announcements

- Daily Related arts videos with activities posted to social media

- Daily "Get up and Move" sessions posted to social media

- Virtual online social-emotional learning support/Daily Second Step videos in morning announcements

- Virtual meeting with Spanish-speaking families to offer additional support

- IEP and other meetings held virtually

- Nursing tips shared online

-Strings classes continued with virtual lessons serving 14 students weekly via Zoom

- School counselor available by phone for support services

- Nightly "Read Aloud" post via social media

-Virtual Teacher Appreciation Week

-Virtual Art Show:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sPQpVxt-axs&t=19s>

-Virtual Talent Show:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8z3iQJ3Ei54&t=1005s>

-Wellness Week and Virtual Field Day

-5th grade promotion drive-thru ceremony and student materials pick-up in June

-Our last parent survey showed that 90% of parents were happy/satisfied with our implementation of learning at home during this time.

-For 2020-21, we are adding two additional first grade classes, a second grade class, a third grade class and a third grade strings class next school year due to growth. We are also adding an additional guidance counselor, an additional part time PE teacher and a full-time computer lab/STEAM teacher.

SIC Annual Goals

Why? The SIC reviewed the school MAP Test data in order to determine areas to target for improvement. Based on this data, the SIC focus was to improve **MATH** acquisition at Angel Oak Elementary School.



In addition, the SIC also has a secondary focus on **improving parent and community involvement/collaboration** in partnership with the AOE PTA.

How?

This school year, our SIC worked to:

- Analyze data sources to best support math instruction at our school
- Increase opportunities for family/parent engagement
- Provide support/feedback during global pandemic