

Full STEAM Ahead!

STEAM refers to science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematical fields of study. The term is recognized world-wide and describes a hands on, problem solving approach to education and curriculum in schools from kindergarten through college to career. This year we infused STEAM engineering design projects across the curriculum and we are proud to be Charleston County's first and only STEAM school.



STEAM Students at JIES will:

- Think like engineers, designers, and problem solvers.
- Identify and utilize creativity, inventions, and resources.
- Improve their ability to think critically and abstractly, work cooperatively and comprehend what they read.
- Model ethical and social responsibility and communicate ideas orally.

School Improvement Council

Elected Executive members:

Tatia Williams-Chair, teacher,
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Deborah Howieson, Vice Chair, appointed
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Jody Fromm Longo- Secretary, parent
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Elected Teacher members: (3)

Tatia Williams (see above)

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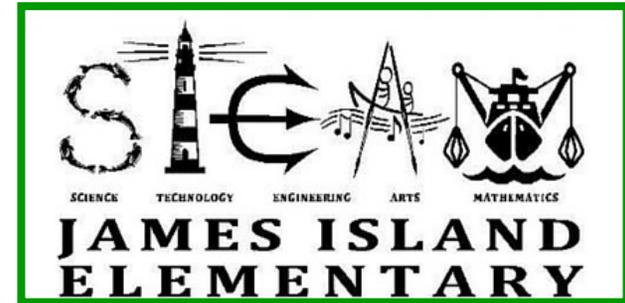
Ex Officio members: (2)

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2016-2017

Annual Report to the Parents



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School Renewal Goals for 2016

James Island Elementary is a STEAM school that empowers 21st century learners in science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics. JIES students learn the South Carolina state standards through direct instruction, engineering design challenges and project based instruction.



Student learning is assessed in several ways at JIES and in 2016-17 students in 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students took the SC READY and SC PASS tests. We expect the results of these tests in fall 2017.

2015-16 ACT Aspire Grade level and subject specific scores:

Grade level	Subject	Percentage of students scoring exceeding and ready
3 rd	ELA	59.2%
4 th	ELA	74.7%
5 th	ELA	54.8%
3 rd	Reading	36.9%
4 th	Reading	29.8%
5 th	Reading	21.9%
3 rd	Math	60.6%
4 th	Math	56.7%
5 th	Math	46.7%
3 rd	Writing	21.3%
4 th	Writing	17.2%
5 th	Writing	13.9%



James Island Elementary continues to build student learning by using our outstanding resources including the Engaging Creative Minds program, school STEAM lab, and the outdoor classroom.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS at JIES



Engaging Creative Minds Grant

GMJI Morning News Program,

SAIL- Gifted and Talented

Kaleidoscop

Reading Prize Patrol

Living Literature Day

Family STEAM Night

Tennis Team

Dr. Seuss Week,

Birthday Book Club,

Children's Book Week

Student Council

Musicals

Fall Family Reading Night

Strings

5th Grade Chorus,

Grade Level Musical Performances

Foster Grandparents

Recycling

Mentor Program

