What do our teachers, students, and parents love about Laurel Hill?

"Laurel Hill has a lot of things to love! Our staff is filled with the most caring, hard working and dedicated teachers. Every teacher here inspires you to do your best to create engaging and fun lessons for students. As a staff we are supportive and utilize each others' strengths to make LHP the best it can be. Our students are the heart of our work but so are the parents. We know how important the school-home connection is and we truly couldn't do this without the parents' support. From Boosterthon to a Starbucks coffee on a Friday morning, the families here at Laurel Hill are simply the best!" - Carling Shalloo, Teacher of the Year

"We love Laurel Hill because of the sense of community they have created, despite this school year's trying times. It is abundantly clear that the teachers and administration love the children and care about their families. We are so thankful to be a part of the LHP family and wish we never had to leave!" - Jenny Yokoyama, parent and SIC member

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SIC Annual Goals

This year, our SIC has focused on school improvements, particularly creating outdoor spaces for our students to enjoy. We are using PTA funds to purchase picnic tables for students and staff to use. Due to Covid-19, many of our annual school events, including our 1st annual Community STEM Night, were postponed; however, we hope to bring back community events such as our Fall Carnival, Turtle Trot Fun Run, and our annual Palooza show. In spite of the pandemic, our annual fundraiser brought in more than \$50,000 for our school. We are so proud and grateful for the support we receive from our PTA, parents, and community.

Additional Information

Laurel Hill Primary continues to foster the child-centered atmosphere that has made it an award-winning school. At LHPS, we are committed to the success of each child Our students continue to grow in all areas, and to we are determined provide a developmentally appropriate learning environment. Laurel Hill is a PBIS school and has seen excellent results. In addition. we are proud to have maintained our accreditation through the National Association of Educators of Young Children (NAEYC). This prestigious status has been described as the gold standard by which early childhood programs are evaluated.

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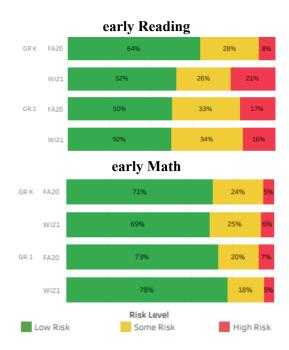


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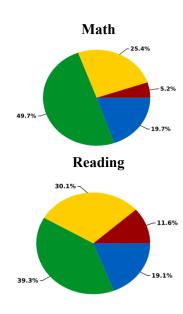
The vision of Laurel Hill Primary is to develop well-rounded learners in a child-centered, developmentally appropriate environment where each is capable of fulfilling their potential.

Student Achievement

The chart below shows the percentage of K-1 students at Laurel Hill that are low risk, some risk, or high risk or in Fastbridge Reading and Math. Over 70% of K-1 in reading and over 85% of K-1 students in math scored at low risk during the winter assessment



The next chart shows the percentage of 2nd grade students that demonstrated readiness, as measured by Winter 2021 MAP data. 69.4% demonstrated readiness in math; 58.4%. demonstrated readiness in reading.



Summary of Data

Our data highlights the hard work of our staff and students. Well over half of our students are considered low-risk, and in spite of the pandemic and school closures, our students continue to show growth in the 20-21 school year. Our 2nd graders were the only grade in the district to have met their expected growth from fall 2020 to winter 2021. Our team uses data to drive instruction in order to meet the needs of all students.

Awards and Honors

Top Rated Primary School in South Carolina

NAEYC Accreditation, 2008, 2013 & 2018

SC Literacy Spot Award, 2011

SCPTA Award of Excellence, 1st place, 2008

Riley SIC Award, Honorable Mention, 2008

Community of Readers Award, 2007

SC Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, 1st place, School Award, 2007

Red Carpet Award, 2005

Purpose of the Report

This Report is issued by the Laurel Hill Primary School Improvement Council 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.