

## School Achievements

During the 2016-2017 school year, Luther Vaughan Elementary School were recognized for the following:

*Tammy Elder, Jordan Smith,  
Antwana Marks, Stacia Fitzgerald, and  
James Epps,  
District Level Winners-Writer's Gala*

*Kathryn Clawson  
Teacher of the Year*

*Terri Phillips  
Distinguished Teacher of Reading*

*Kim Bolin  
Support Staff Person of the Year*

*Victoria Mosquda  
District Winner of Martin Luther King  
Essay Contest*

*James Epps  
Spelling Bee Winner*

*Roper Mountain Science Center Participant  
Elizabeth Jones*

*School Winner of Health and Wellness Grant*

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## Purpose of the Report

Luther Vaughan is extremely proud of the many accomplishments made during the 2016-2017 school year. Each year the staff at LVES, in conjunction with the School Improvement Council, prepares a report for the community highlighting student achievement, innovative programs, student and teacher accomplishments and performance goals for the next school year. LVES continues to improve curriculum and instruction in the classroom through on-going staff development, analysis of data, differentiated instruction, increased rigor, and by the use of technology to enhance learning.

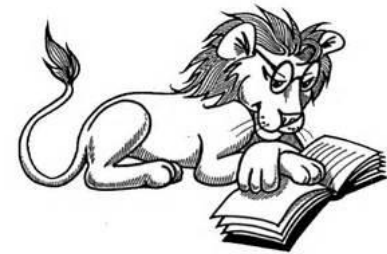
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## Luther Vaughan SIC Members

**Hope Bennett-Teacher  
Jessica Emory-Teacher  
Rick Fernandez-Chair  
Erica Manning-Parent  
La Tunya Means-Community Member  
Shenae Robbs-Community Member  
Brenda Torres-Parent**

## Luther Vaughan Elementary School

### Annual School Improvement Council “Report to the Parents” 2016-2017



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#### *Mission Statement*

*“Our Mission, in partnership with family and community, is to ensure that all students have the opportunity to become responsible, productive citizens in the 21<sup>st</sup> century society by providing a variety of learning experiences that address the diverse needs of every student.*”

## SIC Annual Goals

- To Improve Student Achievement in ELA
- To Improve Student Achievement in Writing
- To Improve Student Achievement in Science
- To Improve Student Achievement in Social Studies
- To Improve Parental Participation and Actively Involve Parents in Their Child's Education

## Interesting Facts

- 8-year recipient of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant
- 5-year winner of the Target Field Trip Grant to Discovery Place
- One School One Book
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade to Camp Greenville
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade to Charleston
- Boys and Girls Club Afterschool Site
- Walk to School
- Read to My Barber Program
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy
- First Tee
- KANS for Kids
- Pasta for Pennies
- Too Good for Drugs Program
- Back Pack Buddies
- Community Mentors
- College Campus Visits
- Lion's Pride Afterschool Program

## Student Achievement

### SC State Ratings History of the School

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2014	At-Risk	Average
2013	At-Risk	Average
2012	At-Risk	Below Average

\*Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.

### SC READY State Testing

The SC Ready test was given to students in grades 3-5 in the spring of 2016. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Reading, English, Mathematics, and Writing.

SUBJECT	% READY
ENGLISH	30%
MATHEMATICS	29%

### SC PASS

The SC PASS was given to students in grades fourth and fifth grades in Spring 2016. The students were assessed in Science and Social Studies.

SUBJECT	% MET and ABOVE
SCIENCE	27.2%
SOCIAL STUDIES	48/1% %

## Evaluation Results

Percent satisfied with learning environment

Teachers 82.2%

Students 90.7%

Parents 87.0%

Percent satisfied with social and physical environment

Teachers 78.5%

Students 88.7%

Parents 91.3%

Percent satisfied with school-home relations

Teachers 50%

Students 88.4%

Parents 82.6%

\*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level and their parents were included

### School Demographics

- ❖ 348 Students
- ❖ PK-5<sup>th</sup> Grade
- ❖ A Diverse Population with
  - 50% African American
  - 34% Hispanic
  - 13% Caucasian
  - 3% Two or more races

Luther Lions Love to Learn

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"For more information, you may view Luther Vaughan's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov)."