

Curriculum and Instruction

This year our focus at CMS has been devoted towards instilling the Leader in Me values in the students and staff. We have continued to engage students in STEAM lessons and project-based learning. Students have had 1 to 1 technology access available in every classroom. We continued to implement BLAST as an academic enrichment for students who were performing on or above grade level based on their MAP scores. Response to Intervention (RTI) was implemented through reading and math to meet the needs of students who were struggling in specific areas according to MAP data.

MAP Test Results

Reading

Total # of students tested- Spring.....486
Total # of students who made gains..... 302
Total % of gains..... 62%

Math

Total # of students tested- Spring486
Total # of students who made gains297
Total % of gains61%

The percentage of students making gains in reading is 8% lower than it was last year. In math the percentage of students making gains decreased 8% when compared to last year. We strive to impress upon students the importance of these assessments as instructional tools. Parents are encouraged to contact the school if they have questions regarding MAP testing.

School Sponsored Student Activities

- House Showcase/ activities
- Leader in Me Leadership Roles
- Homecoming Week
- Mock Trial
- International Week
- Academic Challenge Team
- GiTi Tire Club
- Girls on the Run
- King/Queen Pageant
- 8th Grade Social
- Intramural activities through Houses

Student Academic Awards

CMS believes in rewarding students for hard work and dedication. Students receive awards for Perfect Attendance, Most Improved, State and National Awards, A Honor Roll and A/B Honor Roll. CMS will continue the Student Improvement Awards Program by providing incentives and rewards for improved MAP, SC Ready and SCPASS scores.

Excellence in Academics

The eighth grade students took the PSAT/NMSQ in October, 2017. The scores were used to determine the 2017-2018 Junior Scholar for Chester Middle School which was Emma Wooten, Olivia Creamer, and Samantha Rychley. Alyssa McAllister won the school and district spelling bee. Jai'Den Stringfellow received state recognition for receiving the Duke Tip Award.

The academic challenge team attended the Academic Challenge Festival held in Rock Hill, SC.

CMS also had a Mock Trial Team again this year and attended the regional competition in Greenville, SC. Kelveon Kelly and Jai'Den Stringfellow were recognized as Most Effective Attorney and Trey Sullivan was recognized as Most Effective Witness.

CMS sponsored the GiTi Tire Team and competed in the GiTi Tire Competition. The team consisted of Kenneth McClinton, Aniya Strong, Doug Jaffray, and Daniel McClurkin

Excellence in Arts

LaQuasia Lard, Ashlyn Bolin, Jarquavious Curry, Kaitlyn West, Hannah Pitts, Megan Gustafson, Trenton Patrick, Mikayla Jacobs, Kyan Kennedy, Brandon Sanders, Star Foster, Courtney Watson, and Dustin Reed each had art work displayed in the Superintendent's Art Show. Ashlyn Bolin received the award of honorable mention for two art pieces and Trenton Patrick received honorable mention for one art piece.

The band students performed at the Concert Performance Assessment.



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School Summary Report 2017-2018



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Purpose of Report

This report is provided to inform parents of the mission, goals, and growth of the 2017-2018 school year for Chester Middle School.

Mission Statement

The mission of Chester Middle School is to create memorable experiences by teaching world class skills and values that empowers students to reach their fullest potential.

Vision Statement

STEAM: Lead: Succeed

Our School Today

- Currently, Chester Middle School has approximately 540 students enrolled.
- The average daily student attendance for the 2017-2018 school year was 92.9%.
- PTO Officers
 - Rose GarveyTreasurer
 - Miranda Mayfield Parent
- Improvement Council Members
 - Dee Dee HintonChair/Community Member
 - Brenda Sease Secretary
 - Margie Shillinglaw Teacher
 - Melissa Giles Teacher
 - Sheka HoustonPrincipal
 - Suzanne Hough Assistant Principal
 - Micheal Moseley Assistant Principal
 - Estelle Stevenson Parent
 - Robin Currence..... Community Member
 - Octavia Foster Parent

Members can be contacted at 803-377-8192

Excellence in Athletics

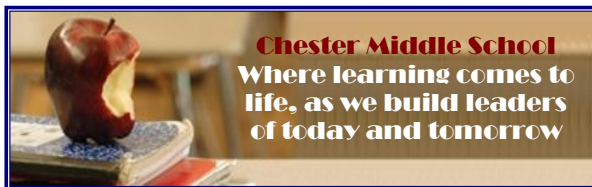
The CMS Football team was 7-0 in their division for the 2017-2018 school year. Caliche Boulware, Jaevan Sanders, DaMorrius Thompson, Darius Head, Zanjerry Dunham, and Eric Sanders were invited to play in the North/South Conference game.

The girls' basketball team did very well winning all, but one game during the season. They were region champs, but lost the final championship game.

The boys' basketball team finished the season winning 17 out of 18 games. They were also region champs, but lost the championship game.

The CMS Wrestling Team finished with 10 overall wins. Jaegan Hinton, KyJerius Jackson, Shyheim Willard, DaQuinnzo DuBose, and Demarrion Dickson qualified for State. Jaegan Hinton came in 3rd place for the 126 lb. weight class.

The CMS Cheerleaders had a very successful year as well during the 2017-2018 season.



School Improvement Goals

2017-2018

- ☐ Implement Leader in Me school-wide
- ☐ Continue the conversion to a STEAM school
- ☐ Increase parent and community involvement
- ☐ Increase student achievement in all areas
- ☐ Implement RTI in reading and math
- ☐ Continue Reading Intervention during elective classes
- ☐ Focus on literacy and implement reading strategies in all core content classes
- ☐ Improve and enhance the Professional Learning Community school wide
- ☐ Enhance instruction through Project-Based Learning

Improvement Goal Progress

Completed:

- ☒ 9 of the 9 above stated goals have been implemented.

School Improvement Goals

2018-2019

- ☐ Implementation of My Classroom Economy
- ☐ Continue the Leader in Me initiative and begin the AVID strategies and professional development
- ☐ Implement the requirements for Read to Succeed.
- ☐ Continue to increase student achievement in all areas by effectively using data
- ☐ Continue to increase parent involvement
- ☐ Increase community involvement in the school
- ☐ Increase House Meetings and Activities
- ☐ Increase student engagement by using high interest technology integration, STEAM, and PBL activities.
- ☐ Increase the elective course offerings to include drama and foreign language