



Teacher Resources

Literacy Coach

Math Coaches

Reading and Math Interventionists

Special Education Resource

Speech Pathologist



**All Pre-K Students
receive laptops to take
home from Waterford.**



School Awards and Honors

National Title 1 Distinguished School

SC Distinguished School Microsoft

Showcase School

Winthrop Rex Institute Partner School

Jr. National Beta Club School of Merit

National Elementary Honor Society



About Our School

Great Falls Elementary School is a Title I school in rural Chester County, SC. Enrollment is approximately 381 students in grades Pre-K through 5. The current percentage of students receiving free/reduced lunch is 90%.

Teacher of the Year

Laura Harris, Pre-K Teacher

Support Staff of the Year

Gerry Barnette, School Nurse

**Tammy Taylor, Principal
Tonia Moore, Assistant Principal**

Great Falls Elementary School

301 Dearborn Street

Great Falls, SC 29055

Phone: 803.482.2214

<https://www.chester.k12.sc.us/greatfallselementary>

Great Falls Elementary School



Report to the Parents

2019-2020

This report is provide to parents in compliance with the Education Finance Act (EFA) of 1977, the Education Act (EIA) of 1984, and the Elementary and Secondary Academic Act (ACT 135) of 1993. It presents information about school accomplishments in the 2019-2020 school year and changes for the 2020-2021 school year.

Our School Improvement Council (SIC) reviews our goals and achievements and reports progress to our school family and community.

SIC Officers 2020-2021

Laura Harris – Chair

Josh Brantley – Co-Chair

Maxine Tate, Secretary

Tammy Taylor,
Ex-Officio, Principal

Tonia Moore,
Ex Officio, Asst. Principal

Jessica Snipes,
PTO Representative

Nancy Smith
Elizabeth Dockery
Marsha Commodore
Teacher Representatives

O'Neal Simpson
Gerry Barnette
Stephanie Williams
Community Representatives

Shelly Price
Parent Representative

Resources at GFE

FOSS and DSM Science Kits
Math Manipulatives
Lenovo Laptops for all teachers
1:1 Laptops for students in grades 3-5
Promethean Boards in all rooms
IPads/iPods
Four 3D Printers
Partnerships with GFHS JROTC, Teacher Cadets,
and Beta Club; 4H
Social Studies Weekly in Grades 1-5
Gym with rock climbing wall and equipped exercise studio
Brain Gym
Physical Education lessons in dance, sports skills and
fitness, aligned to state regular classroom standards
Journeys ELA curriculum
Letterland curriculum
My Math curriculum
Measures of Academic Progress Assessments
School Website, Facebook & Twitter pages
Peachjar Communication System
Teacher Classroom Websites
Parent Portal
Two Student Computer Labs
Classroom Libraries
Teacher Resource Room
Study Island Computer Program
Reading Eggs Computer Program
Math Seeds Computer Program
On site mental health counselor
PBIS Galaxy Behavior Experience
Guidance curriculum consisting of individual and group
counseling, mock court, monthly character words, and
parent/guardian contacts and home visits as needed
Morning Intervention / Enrichment

Parent Resource Center

Student Council

Gifted and Talented Art Program

Gifted and Talented (ACCENT)

GITI Math and Science Club

WGFE Morning News Show

GFE Programs and Events

Jump Rope for Heart
Math and Science Carnival
Read Across America Week
Career Awareness Day
Red Ribbon Week
Field Day
Awards Night
Student Honor & Award Assemblies
100 Book Club Celebrations
MAP Testing Celebrations
Student of the Month Sundaes
Title I Honor Roll Cookout
Grade Level Literacy Events
Title I Summer Reading Kickoff Picnic
Living Museum Exhibition
Choral Performances
Book Character Parade
Scholastic Book Fairs
Breakfast with Grandparents
PTO Doughnuts for Divas / Dudes
Spelling Bee
Field Trips
Relay for Life
Monthly Title I Family Engagement Events

School Renewal Plan Goals & Results

Goal: By 2023, Great Falls Elementary students in all grades will increase RIT Scale Norms (meets or exceeds) in Math, as measured by the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment.

Goal—Ongoing

Goal: By 2023, Great Falls Elementary students in all grades will increase RIT Scale Norms (meets or exceeds) in Reading as measured by the Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment.

Goal—Ongoing

2018 SC Ready and SC Pass Results

Grade 3 (Percent Met and Above)

ELA	32.8%
Math	31.1%

Grade 4 (Percent Met and Above)

ELA	20%
Math	26.7%
Science	35%

Grade 5 (Percent Met and Above)

ELA	23.9%
Math	12.7%
Social Studies	69%