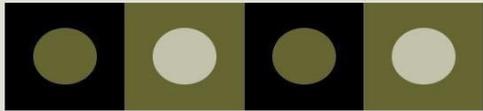


Teacher Resources

Literacy Coach
Reading Interventionist
Special Education Resource
Teachers



Pre-K students receive laptops from Waterford for home use.

Students in Grades K-5 receive laptops to use at school and home.



School Awards and Honors

Farm to School Grant Award Recipient
NWEA Featured Case Study School
Winthrop NetServe School Partner
Edmentum Showcase School
National Jr. 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 350 students in grades Pre-K through 5. Currently, our school provides free lunch for all students.

Teacher of the Year

Mary "Molly" Young, 2nd Grade

Support Staff of the Year

Darlene Williams, Pre-K Assistant

Dr. Tammy Taylor, Principal
Padraic Hampton, Assistant Principal
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Great Falls Elementary School



Report to the Parents

2024 - 2025

This report is provided 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 (ACT135) of 1993. It presents information about Great Falls Elementary School for the 2024 – 2025 school and goals for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

SIC Officers 2024-2025

Chris Vinson – Chair
Brooke Rabon – Co-Chair
Tammy Taylor,
Ex-Officio, Principal
Padraic Hampton
Ex-Officio, Principal
Marsha Commodore,
Ex-Officio, PTO Representative
Pat Carl Hadap
Lisa Usher
Tammy Gibson
Teacher Representatives
Nanette Austin
Joyce Green
Maxine Tate
James McNeil
Community Representatives
Shelly Price
Tammy Gibson
Parent Representative

Notes from the Principal

Great Falls Elementary School is truly a hidden gem. Our school boasts a team of talented, committed, and dedicated staff members, alongside highly intelligent and capable students. The teaching staff and student body are exceptional. Despite facing challenging times and having to acclimate a number of brand-new staff members, we have emerged stronger and more resilient. Our staff is unwavering in their commitment to ensuring every student's success. Our students are beginning to recognize their worth and potential, and are working hard to showcase their abilities.

At Great Falls Elementary, we celebrate our unique differences. We are proud to represent a diverse array of races, ethnicities, and cultures within our school. This beautiful diversity fosters a strong sense of respect and appreciation for the individuality of each person. Respect and representation are fundamental to our thriving school culture.

Great Falls Elementary is an outstanding place to learn and grow, for both students and adults. I am grateful for the opportunity to lead such an incredible school with amazing students and staff. It is a privilege to serve in a community where I can make a meaningful impact, dedicating my energy and efforts to improving the school every day.

Stay connected with us on Facebook and other social media platforms to keep up with all the wonderful happenings at our school!

Principal - Dr. Tammy Taylor

A YEAR IN REVIEW



School Renewal Plan Goals & Results

Goal: By 2026, 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 2026, 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

2024 SC Ready and SC Pass Results

Grade 3 (Percent Met and Above)

ELA	43%
Math	59%

Grade 4 (Percent Met and Above)

ELA	63%
Math	50%
Science	N/A

Grade 5 (Percent Met and Above)

ELA	51%
Math	43%