

## ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Carlita Davis, Principal  
Luke Matthews, 6th Grade Asst. Principal  
Kathy Atkinson, 7th Grade Asst. Principal  
Eddie Shuler, 8th Grade Asst. Principal  
Judith Lambert, Title 1 Facilitator  
Eddie McLellan, Technology Coordinator  
Carla Jefferson, Gap Interventionist  
Edith Hough, Coordinating Teacher  
Lynette Blackmon, Coordinating Teacher  
Lilkiyenya Jenkins, District Curriculum Facilitator

## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

### PARENTS

Lucreatia Jackson  
Keeshia Jordan  
Rosalind Rawls

### TEACHERS

Victoria Williams-Cooper  
Janna Deneau  
Penelope Samuel

### COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Brandon Ketter  
Chris Blackmon  
Pat Barnhill

### EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Carlita Davis, Principal  
Valerie Scott, Parent Liaison  
Judith Lambert, Title 1 Facilitator

*SIC members can be contacted through the  
DMS School Improvement Office at 398-3398.*

**Striving to excel, not to equal.**

## PROGRAMS OF EXCELLENCE

**STeM** Magnet Program for Science  
and Technology

Lego League

Standards-based Academic Program

Single Gender Classes

Gateway to Technology

Compass Learning Academic Assistance

Band & Jazz Band

Career Development

Art

Chorus

Technology

Honors Academic Program

Athletic Program (Football, Basketball, Base-  
ball, Softball)

Technology Enhanced Classroom Instruction

Schoolwide Reading Program

SURVIVOR Reading Incentive Program

Principal's 85% AR Club

Beta Club

Gentlemen's Club

Cheerleading & Pep Squad

Duke Tip Scholars

Junior Scholars

Student Government Association

WDMS TV News

Academic Challenge

**Report  
to the  
Parents  
April 2011**



*The mission of Darlington  
Middle School is to work  
in partnership with students,  
parents, and the community  
to develop life-long learners  
who become successful,  
responsible, and productive  
citizens.*

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This report highlights the progress the school is making in achieving the goals and objectives established in the School Renewal Plan (SRP). During the 2010-2011 school year the School Improvement Council continued to support and work with the school administration, staff, parents, and community in meeting the SRP goals. Outlined below is a report of the progress towards meeting those goals along with accomplishments we have made along the way.

### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT GOAL

Improve student achievement in ELA, math, science, social studies, and writing as measured by Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS).

#### % Met Standard on PASS

	2008	2009	2010
Writing	NA	54.6	60.4
Social Studies	20.8	59.4	72.6
Science	22.5	53.3	62.3
Math	17.2	56.6	59.6
ELA	16.7	55.1	61.6

#### End of Course Tests

#### % Students Scoring 70 or above

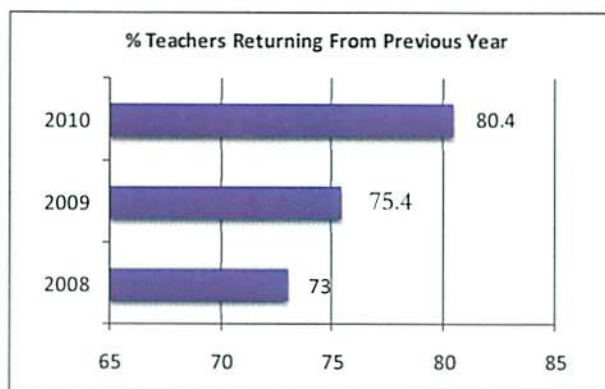
	2008	2009	2010
Physical Science	NA	94.8	91.3
English I	97	89.7	97.1
Algebra I	100	91.4	97

#### MAP Test Results

- 5.6 RIT gain from fall to spring testing in reading for 2009-2010
- 4.5 RIT gain from fall to spring testing in math for 2009-2010.
- 0.1 RIT gain from fall to winter testing in reading for 2010-2011.
- 2.3 RIT gain from fall to winter testing in math for 2010-2011

### TEACHER QUALITY GOAL

Increase the percentage of retained, highly qualified teachers.



#### STRATEGIES IMPLEMENTED DURING 2010-2011

- Provided mentors to newly hired teachers.
- Provided professional development and support personnel to assist teachers with classroom management, lesson planning, and student assessment.
- Provided technology and other resources/professional development to assist teachers in providing daily instruction.
- Recognized teachers for personal and professional accomplishments.
- Wrote improvement plans for teachers based on student achievement data.
- Provided assistance to teachers in analyzing test data for the purpose of improving instruction.

### SCHOOL CLIMATE GOAL

Build working relationships between the school, home, and community.

#### How parents and community can be involved in the school improvement process.

- Visit the school during Open House and at other times during the year.
- Attend student performances and programs throughout the year.
- Participate in announced parent and community involvement activities and workshops provided throughout the year.
- Conference with teachers on district sponsored Parent-Teacher Conference days (September & February).
- Review student progress reports sent home every two weeks and contact teacher(s) as needed.
- Review report cards sent home every nine weeks and meet with teacher(s) as needed.
- Serve as a volunteer in the DMS Volunteer Program.
- Participate in Title 1 and School Improvement Council meetings.
- Provide feedback to administrators, Parent Liaison, or School Improvement Coordinator regarding your concerns/recommendations.
- Visit the school and classes of your child.