## WELCOME TO DUBOSE MIDDLE SCHOOL



Wildcats- Showing our **PRIDE**! **P**ersonal **R**esponsibility In **D**aily Education

#### **Our Mission**

To provide a safe and supportive environment where all students are challenged to learn at their highest level.

#### **Our Vision**

To provide each of our students a "world class" education through rigorous and relevant learning so that all students can reach their full potential.

#### PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

This year, DuBose is focusing on four important areas:

- 1) STEM
- 2) Literacy
- 3) Community Building, and
- 4) Health and Wellness.

Each focus is accompanied by a goal that we are working toward. We invite you to come into the school to experience each of these focuses first hand. While here, please check out the bulletin board near the front office that contains each focus, goal, and pictures of how we are working toward achieving each goal.

Community and parent involvement is very important to us at DuBose. We want you as parents/guardians to be involved in your child's education. One easy way for parents to get involved is by volunteering at our school. We want to have our classrooms and front office overflowing with volunteers! There is nothing more important than your child's education, so we invite you to play an active role in every aspect of it.

Strong communities build strong schools! If you have had a chance to visit us this year for any of our events, thank you and we appreciate your support! If you have not yet had the chance, we heartily invite you to be part of the bevy of events that occur here at DuBose.

## School Improvement Council 2016-2017 Members

#### Parents

Jeanette Rehrig, Chair Richard Gill, Vice Chair Bridget Dewees Cheryl Whitfield **Ex-Officio/Faculty/Community** Ted Brinkley Kelley Kennedy Taylor Kidd, Secretary Dianna Souder Marcie Walters **Appointed/Community** Diana Londergan Marilyn Kaple JoAnna Fallaw

Comments/questions welcomed by phone 843-875-7012, or by our DuBose website link

## About DuBose

## Enrollment - 1251

Male - 53%Female - 47%Caucasian - 66%African American - 25%Hispanic - 6%Other - 3%WILDCATS - 100%

## **School History**

DuBose Middle School opened its doors in January of 1986 after being housed at Alston Middle School for the first part of the 1985-1986 school year. The school is named for former Dorchester School District Two Superintendent Charles B. DuBose Jr. Mr. Anthony Lemon was the first principal at DuBose Middle School. Ted Brinkley is the 8th principal, having served first as teacher and then assistant principal at DuBose.

# Charles B. DuBose Jr. Middle School



## School Improvement Council's Annual Report

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 Principal

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## **DMS Faculty PRIDE**

Jen Drever 2016-17 Teacher of the Year Shelli Dampier 2016-17 Rookie Teacher of the Year Kara Greer 2016-17 Star Performer of the Year

## **Points of PRIDE**

#### **Dorchester District 2 Spelling Bee Winners:**

1st Place-Drew David

8th Place—Eli Savage 9th Place—Noah Hill

### 2017 PTA- Reflection Winners for Literature

- Tatum Johnson—1st Place—State
- Taylor Daniels- Honorable Mention-DD2

#### Amateur Radio Club

4th place –2016 ARRL National Annual Fall School Amateur Radio Club Contest

### Volleyball

♦ 3rd Place MS Volleyball –DD2

## Wrestling 2017 State Championships-1st Place

- Aidan Jurey DMS ٠
- Cole Messina SHS JV

## Piano

4 Superior Ratings at the SCMEA Festival

## **Steel Band Program**

- ◆ Largest Middle School Program in the US
- Superior Rating at Music USA Festivals in ٠ Orlando, FL (2014, 2015, 2016)
- 1st Place– Music USA Festivals in Orlando, FL (2014, 2015 & 2016)
- Superior Rating at 2015 & 2016 SC Percussive ٠ Art Society's Steel Band Festival

## Chorus

• Superior Ratings at SCMEA Choral Performance Assessment (Sight Reading/ Performance)

• Superior Rating- 2016 Carowinds Festival

## **Band Program**

- ◆ 24 Students to 2017 SCBDA Region 4 Honor Band (300% + increase in 2 yrs!)
- 7 Students & 3 Alternates in 2017 SCBDA ٠ Junior All-State Band (2 First Chairs)
- Superior with Distinction at the 2016 SCBDA ٠ Concert Performance Assessment
- 8 DMS Students in the 2016 5A State 2nd Place ٠ Summerville HS Marching Band

## Middle School Cadet Color Guard (14 Students)

- SCBDA Winter Ensemble Champions & CWEA Premiere South 1st place (2015, 2016, 2017)
- 1st place Ashley Ridge (2016, 2017) ٠
- Undefeated in SC contests since 2008
- 5 State Championships since 2008

# Roars

- 2016 Robotics State Qualifier
- Band 2016 OrlandoFest Grand National Champions
- 2017 DMS Student Council Family Game Night; Energy Bar Wrapper Recycling Program
- ♦ DMS Guidance of the Year-Nicholas Forte

### Health & Wellness Initiatives

- Family Fun 5K Run & 5K/Health Fair. ٠
- New workout room in a cottage for students & staff use
- Water bottle refill stations
- Two walk/ride school days
- New workout areas along walking track

## Wildcat Activities/Clubs Make a Difference!!

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- Astronomy
- Amateur Radio
- BETA
- Encore Drama
- Running
- Robotics
- Gardening
- Student Council
- Garden Boxes
- **SIC Goals/Activities**

The DMS SIC's main objective is to support the school's goals and help create a positive environment of continuous improvement. The Council also serves as a review and sounding board for administration and our school community. SIC efforts this year focused on: **STEM/Literacy Initiatives** 

- Family Literacy Nights
- Real Men Read Recruitment ٠

## **Community Building**

- Student Council participation & event ٠ support
- Teacher Appreciation ٠

## Health & Wellness

- Happy Cart for Teachers ٠ Improve Communication/Morale Among stakeholders (teachers, parents, students)
- Revisit DMS School Climate Survey ٠
- Added feedback link to DMS website
- Continue to leverage technology and ٠ digital communication routes
- Task Force on Bullying for 2017-2018

Quest Coastal Carolina ٠ Fair

♦ Math is Cool

DimensionU

- Trebuchet
- Box Tops
- Food Pantry ٠
- ♦ Engineering &

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