

SIC Membership

Chairperson

Anna Young, *First Grade Teacher*

Secretary

Brittany Stover

Student Families

Dr. Jessica Stewart, *First Grade*

Natalia Ruiz, *Second Grade*

Harmon Crow, *Kindergarten*

Teachers

Nicole Mance, *First Grade Teacher*

Shannon Petty, *Media Specialist*

Community Members

Lauren von Klinggraeff

Administrator

Winnie Burton, *Principal*

Celebrate With Us!

- **Shannon Petty**, Media Specialist, serves as our 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year!
- **Dorothy Brooks**, Kindergarten Aide, serves as our 2023-2024 Support Staff of the Year!
- **Kelly Hamilton**, Read 180 Teacher, was elected to serve as our Palmetto State Literacy Association's Distinguished Teacher of Literacy for DES
- **Laura Herring**, Music Teacher, **Brooke Scott**, Third Grade Teacher and **Michele Wilson** Art Teacher, received SRNS Mini Grants
- **Shannon Petty**, Media Specialist, received an Edgefield Foundation Vision Grant
- **Meredith Burnett**, Instructional Coach, has finished year 1 of the Reading Coach Institute

Community Outreach

- **Marlee Faust's** second grade class participated in the **Adopt A Cow Program** through **Discover Dairy**. This year, their host family is **Nance Dairy** and their baby cow's name is **Penny**.
- **Media Center**
 - Outdoor Reading Spaces
 - Read Across America
 - BlueBird Nest Box Monitoring
 - Scholastic Online Book Club
 - Digital media center
 - Virtual Escape Rooms
 - Clemson Grant School Garden

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School Improvement Council Report to the Parents

2023-2024



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The purpose of Douglas Elementary School is to provide a safe and stimulating environment where our students can receive a quality education that promotes strong academic and social skills to use in a culturally diverse society. We envision a positive school climate at DES where students, staff, and parents become a community of learners. Our school will allow all children to communicate, demonstrate and master skills essential for Success in Life.

SIC Annual Goals

This year's stated goal was to focus on family and community outreach, with a special emphasis on improving information accessibility for families who are non-English speaking.

We kicked off the year with our back to school Open House, then continued on with our Fall Festival, the Thanksgiving luncheon, Valentines Mother/Son, Father/Daughter Dance, Math and Science Night, and our Spring Musical. We also want to continue building family engagement with Muffins with Moms, Grits with Grands, Grooving with Grandparents, and Donuts with Dads.

We have also been exploring the translation services available to our parents, through volunteers and existing online resources tied to the curriculum as well as those provided by the county.

We will continue to strive to create a positive school climate that promotes cultural inclusivity and family engagement.

Performance Progress Report

i-Ready

i-Ready tests are electronically administered **achievement tests** designed to measure academic ability and growth in **reading** and **math**. The test is given in fall, winter, and spring.

Please refer to the chart below to compare your child's spring test scores to the Placement table below. Scores above the stated range indicate that your child is performing at a higher grade level. Scores below indicate that your child is performing either below grade level or at a level expected earlier in the school year.

Subject	End of Year Expected Level
Reading	K 424 - 479
	1 480 - 536
	2 537 - 560
	3 561 - 602
	4 603 - 629
	5 630 - 640
Math	K 412 - 448
	1 449 - 472
	2 473 - 498
	3 499 - 516
	4 517 - 526
	5 527 - 540

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- **Amber Dobbs**- Ruth Patrick Science Center
- **Teresa Eddy**- Savannah River Site
- **SC Department of Employment and Workforce** for their contributions to Math and Science Night
- **Milton Ruben Chevrolet**