

PROGRAMS AND ENRICHMENT

- * Standards based Art, Music, PE, & Computer classes
- * LightSail reading program
- * Character Education Program
- * Faith Based Mentoring Program
- * Study Island *PBIS
- * REACH

Student Involvement



Welcoming Environment



Committed Staff



Outstanding Features

McLaurin serves students in both Montessori and traditional classes, with an emphasis to transition to complete Montessori by the 2019-2020 school year. Presently, all classes grade 4K-2 are Montessori. Both programs provide rigorous academic standards for our students. Our instruction is enhanced by the use of computers, iPads, Smart Boards, Chromebooks, wireless access and Smart TVs. Our goal is to replace all Smartboards with Smart TVs throughout the next school years. We strive for all students to become independent learners. Creativity and collaboration are essential elements in our instruction each day. We believe our students are best served by a balance between academics, the arts, physical education and character education.



Through our many curricular areas and a warm, caring school climate, students are given many opportunities for success. Many extra-curricular

activities are offered to students including:

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| ☺ Dance Club | ☺ Safety Patrols |
| ☺ Spelling Bee | ☺ Violin |
| ☺ Chorus | ☺ Horizons (Art) |
| ☺ Good News Club | ☺ Art Club |
| ☺ P.E.A.R.L.S. | ☺ R.I.D.D.E. |
| ☺ Terrific Kid | ☺ Skate Night |

Summary Report to Parents From the School Improvement Council



McLaurin Elementary School

1400 McMillan Lane
Florence, SC 29506

**School Improvement Council (SIC)
Members:**
Debbie Cribb, Principal
Jo Ann Nance, Assistant Principal

Tina Mack	Gracyn Hamilton
Brent Tiller	Kimberly Jordan
Logan McGill	Kasandra Durant
Landon Reynolds	Brandi McKay
Amy Hatcher	Nancy Crooks
Emily Whitehead	Bethany Gray

The mission of McLaurin Elementary is to provide a quality education in a safe environment, enabling students to become productive citizens in a culturally diverse society.

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A Message From the School Improvement Council

The School Improvement Council is responsible for providing an annual report to stakeholders highlighting progress being made in achieving school improvements. This brochure includes achievements and plans for improvement.

Awards & Recognitions & Accomplishments:

- * Gold fit friendly work site 2015
- * Palmetto Gold Winner 2012
- * Palmetto Silver Winner 2011

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

<u>Year</u>	<u>Absolute Rating</u>	<u>Growth Rating</u>
2014	Excellent	At-Risk
2013	Good	Below Average
2012	Excellent	Good

* Schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017

We care!

Strategies for Improving Instruction

- * Emergence of whole school Montessori-grades 4K-2
- * Weekly staff development meetings based on implementing best practices in the classroom
- * Montessori training for teachers to become certified Montessori teachers
- * Weekly lesson plans aligned to standards and the Curriculum Alignment Document (CAD)
- * Benchmark tests for subjects and standards taught
- * Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) tests to measure student growth academically from fall to spring
- * School-wide writing program implementation; Writer's Workshop
- * School-wide hands-on math program implementation; Montessori curriculum and Envision Math
- * Reading Intervention for primary grades that provides reading strategies and assistance
- * Formal classroom observations for providing feedback for best practices implementation
- * Parent / teacher conferences to discuss student growth and progress
- * Discovery Education to enhance instruction in the classroom



Parent & Community Involvement:

- ✓ APT organization
- ✓ Faith Based Mentoring Program and volunteers
- ✓ School Improvement Council
- ✓ Parent Workshops
- ✓ FMU Partnership
- ✓ Domino's night
- ✓ Kiwanis Club
- ✓ Grandparent's Day
- ✓ R.I.D.D.E.
- ✓ Florence Rotarian
- ✓ Calvary Baptist Church
- ✓ Sparrow Swamp Baptist Church
- ✓ Walking celebration
- ✓ Open house
- ✓ American Heart Association



School-wide Giving Campaigns

- ◆ Fall Food Drive
- ◆ Calvary Baptist Church
- ◆ Sparrow Swamp Baptist Church