

From the School Improvement Council...

McDonald Elementary School strives to develop the world class life skills and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe and engaging learning environment where students are encouraged to reach their maximum potential. Our recent recognition for achieving Palmetto Silver is a testament of our school's comprehensive and highly effective instructional and extra-curricular program tailored to meet the needs of our diverse population. Our teachers are given opportunities to participate in several different professional development sessions to include: Daily 5/Café, high progress literacy classrooms, reading, writing and researching workshops and inquiry-based instruction. Our guidance program offers individual and group counseling, First Tee Character Education and career awareness. We continue to provide reduced class size and computer assisted instruction. Our P.E. department provides daily classes to promote student health and fitness, along with other community athletic activities. We use the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards, Measures of Academic Progress and SC Ready to assess student growth and performance. We offer extracurricular programs including: Step Team and School Safety/Leadership Teams. Our business/community partners include: Belk, Wal-Mart, St. Christopher's Children, Healthy Learners, Classy Smiles, Dr. Tire, Pizza Hut Book-It, Domino's Pizza, Upward Sports, Box Tops for Education, Miss Ruby's Kids, and many others. Community/parent volunteers are involved in family curriculum nights, Book Fair, Colonial Day, Fire Safety Poster Contest, Career and Red Ribbon Week, Girl Scouts, and YMCA. Charity associations are March of Dimes, United Way, Ronald McDonald House, American Heart Association (Jump Rope for Heart), Cancer Awareness, Relay for Life, St. Jude's Children's Hospital, and food drives for local food banks and Helping Hands. Our PTO and community partners provide support for Success Day, courtyard improvements, and special events for teachers. We are truly proud of our successes and continued commitment to improvement as we grow both as teachers and learners. Our safe learning environment epitomizes our passion to educate and develop our best resources... our children.

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2nd grade Representative—Ms. Tracie Vereen
3rd grade representative—Ms. Janice Dozier
4th grade Representative—Ms. Sabrina Billings
5th grade Representative- Ms. Amy Norton
Special Ed. Representative- Ms. Nicole Wall
Special Area Representative—Ms. Della Prioleau
Appointed member- Ms. Katie Dixon-Small

**"Developing Our Best Resources...
Our Children"**



McDonald Elementary School

Title I School

**School Summary
Report
2016 – 2017**

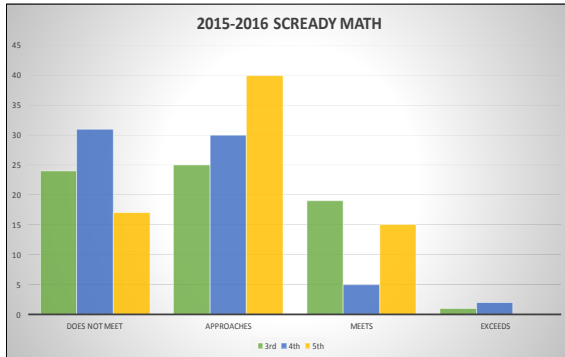
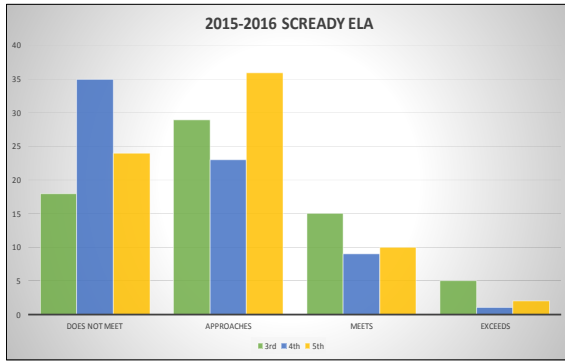


**"Home of the Seagulls"
Palmetto Silver Award
2014—2015**

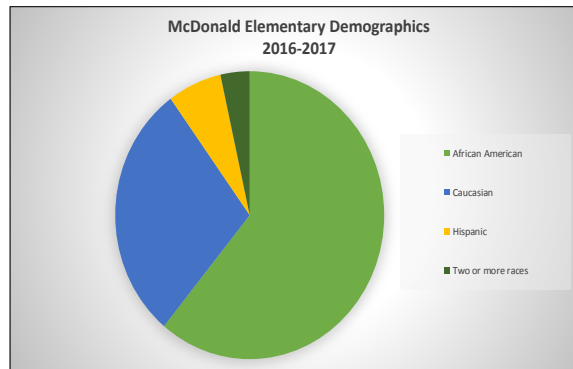
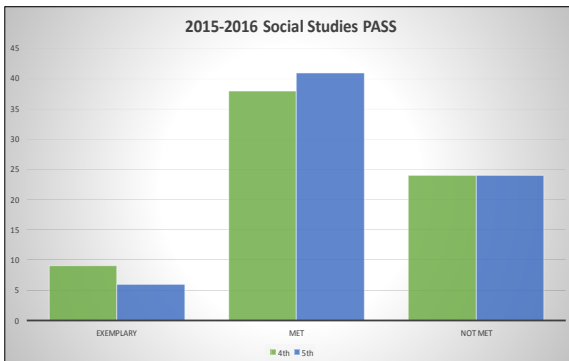
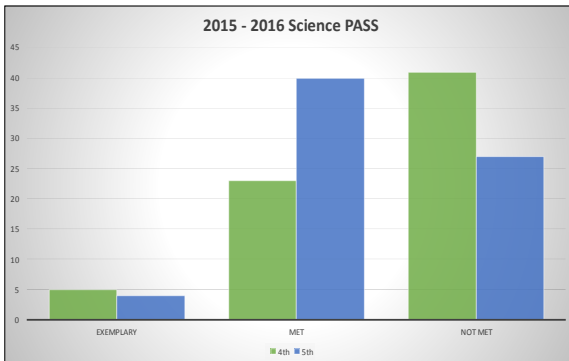
Mission Statement

McDonald Elementary will provide every student with a multi faceted curriculum challenging students to reach their maximum potential and be productive in a global society.

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McDonald Elementary is nestled within a suburban and rural community predominantly supported by businesses and industries that provide service-oriented, hospitality related, domestic, and medical careers. We are a Title I school providing an authentic and multi-faceted education for a learning community comprised of families in the lower socioeconomic range. Our current enrollment of 518 students is represented by a diverse community of African-Americans, Hispanics, Caucasians and fragile special needs groups.

Accomplishments:

- ◆ Teacher of the year– Ms. Sabrina Billings
- ◆ Top 5 Support Staff of the Year– Ms. Sandi Wilder
- ◆ Volunteer of the Year- Ms. Twanda Nesbit
- ◆ Rookie of the Year—Ms. Vanessa Holland
- ◆ March of Dimes 2015-16 T-shirt winner/spirit award
- ◆ Mrs. Angela Coker, winner of the USC “Read Your Way to the Big Game” reading contest



GOALS FOR 2016-17

Student Achievement

Continue to use best practices in curriculum and instruction for all content areas.

Provide quality special education to promote the highest achievement based on the student’s disabilities and needs.

Provide and participate in events that recognize student achievement.

School Climate

Publically recognize student/staff/faculty accomplishments.

Provide extracurricular learning experiences for students.

Provide a safe, secure, nurturing environment.

Teacher/Administrator Quality

Ongoing participation and collaboration in Professional Learning Teams.

Participate in Read to Succeed Professional Development.

Parents/Community

Provide opportunities for parental involvement through school-wide events.

Provide opportunities for parenting workshops and/or special parenting events.

