# S.I.C. REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

PRESENTED BY CHANDLER CREEK ELEMENTARY S.I.C 2021-2022



#### **LETTER FROM S.I.C LEADERSHIP**

Chandler Creek Elementary has a mission and vision built around a shared belief that students can be leaders, learners and caring citizens. The School Improvement Council has aligned goals with the Greenville County Schools Strategic Plan with student success as the number one priority.

Our school demographic is diverse with 46.20 % of students identified as Caucasion, 24.39% of students identified as Latino, 20.21% of students identified as African American, and 7.27% of students identified as one or more races. The school has a poverty index of 79.4 % and is classified as a Title-I School qualifying for the support of Federal Funds.

The 2021-2022 school year brought a return of students to face to face instruction. Whereas the pandemic has impacted skills mastery, the school has implemented small group tutoring during the day and afterschool. Grade level teams have been highly involved in data dives working with the Title one Academic Specialist to close learning gaps. The S.I.C. has focused

on increasing literacy skills with access to more high interest level books. The S.I.C has gifted the school with two registered Little Libraries for community use. A school yard "Reading Grove" is being installed to allow an outside learning classroom for students to be involved in independent reading and encouraging students to engage with books. The school also hosted One School, One Book by having a community read of the book Friendship According to Humphrey written by Betty Birney. As the school year concludes, the students have taken on the 8 Books, 8 Weeks Challenge to finish the year reading strong.

Special events this year supported school wide have been the March of Dimes Fundraiser, the school Pet Food Drive to support Greer Ministries, and the PTA fundraiser to support teacher appreciation efforts. The school has also hosted a STEM Night with a grant awarded by Duke Energy. Students were able to go on field trips to Roper Mountain Science Center, the Greenville Zoo, and local farms. Students were active participants with the service learning Beta Club Program, the school drama club, the school art club, and fourth and fifth grade chorus. The WCCE News Show rotated a group of fifth grade students to report the morning news, including students from general education classes and multi-categorical classrooms.

As a Capturing Kids Hearts Showcase School, all classrooms implemented affirmation boards and students and staff both took on the sticky note challenge to affirm others for acts of kindness and citizenship. Students were nominated by teachers for the student shout out and daily gratitude cards were showcased on the news show. Students were awarded spirit sticks quarterly to recognize all A, AB grades, and Citizenship. The school focused on a social and emotional theme each month with opportunities for daily lessons and application in the classroom.

This year, teachers had vast opportunities for learning outside of the classroom. Teachers attended Get Your Teach On, The Future of Educational Technology Conference, and the Palmetto State Literacy Conference. Teachers have brought back ideas to the school and shared them with others to support a collaborative setting for all.

The school year closes with a return to in-person Awards Ceremonies, the Fifth Grade Clapout, and the Senior Walk for graduating seniors who were students at Chandler Creek during elementary school. It is an exciting time to be Chandler Creek Champion where students, families, and community can help us live out the daily mission of connecting with the heart and empowering students to be leaders, learners, and caring citizens.

Jane Mills , Principal Shena Littlejohn SIC Co Chair Karen Lopez SIC Co Chair

**SOUTH CAROLINA S.I.C. GUIDING QUOTE** 

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead, Anthropologist

#### **CHANDLER CREEK S.I.C YEARLY GOALS**

#### # 1 Student Success

To promote literacy engagement and growth with implementation of the Little Libraries, Book Cafe, and Outdoor Reading Grove

Evidence: Two Little Libraries Established and Registered, Blueprint for Reading Grove and Book Cafe identified fur future Book Cafe.

#### # 2 Quality Workforce

To support the school leadership team with team interviews and community input.

Evidence: All new staff have been vetted by Greenville County Schools and chosen with grade level team interviews. The new principal was chosen with a school wide team to include community members from S.IC. and P.T.A.

#### # 3 Caring Culture

To Strengthen the Capturing Kids Hearts Philosophy and apply for the CKH Showcase School Award.

Evidence: All data submitted for the CKH Showcase School Award, School has been invited to the Awards Announcement held on May 2 indicating that the school should be a recipient for 2021-2022 (announced after publication)

#### # 4 Fiscal Management

To Mobilize community members to support school wide projects through donations.

Evidence: The school has written a grant proposal to the Greer Education Foundation and is being awarded the grant to install the Reading Grove. Grant will be awarded on May 7, 2022.

#### **# 5 Community Engagement**

To Engage the larger school community with events post-Covid.

Evidence: The school has fully returned to face to face community events including STEM Night, Drama Production, Chorus, Awards, K5 Sneak Peek and the Senior Clap Out.

# OUR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS 2021-2022

- ★ Shena Littlejohn Co Chair
- ★ Karen Lopez Co Chair
- ★ Ansley Wright Secretary
- ★ Jane Mills Principal
- ★ Josh Rice Assistant Principal
- ★ Leigh Ryan (former Chair)
- ★ Lindsey Stevens (former Chair)
- ★ Colleen Hinson Teacher
- ★ Jenny Parrott Social Worker
- ★ Brenda Montalvo Parent Liaison
- ★ Jack Awtrey Parent

- ★ Carley Reeves Parent
- ★ Tena Johnson Parent
- ★ Marielys Negron Parent
- ★ Wyonie Johnson Parent
- ★ Cathy Hooper Community Member
- ★ Debbie Pisor Community Member
- ★ Barry Davis Community Member
- ★ Amanda Brown Community Member
- ★ Tracy LeGrand Title One Facilitator

**CHANDLER CREEK MISSION AND VISION** 



### **EVENTS ALIGNED WITH OUR S.I.C. GOALS**







# COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Community Members have donated books for the Little Library.

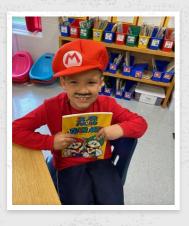
Student books range from early childhood to upper elementary reading levels.

# RIBBON CUTTING

Our Ribbon Cutting occurred in Febraury 2022. The local newspaper, The Greer Citizen, was present to mark this event and announce to the Greer Community.

# CO CHAIRS AND PRINCIPAL

The S.I.C. Leaders worked with the school principal to register the library and prepare it for community use.







BOOK CHARACTER DAY

ONE SCHOOL ONE BOOK

AFFIRMING STUDENT SUCCESS







BUILDING COMMUNITY

TEACHER OF THE YEAR

CREATING
YEARLY
MILESTONES

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT GOALS AND PROGRESS

## **ACHIEVEMENT GOALS 2021-2022**

Chandler Creek students in grades 3-5 are showing progress in both ELA and MATH as measured by the TE 21 Benchmark Assessment administered three times per year. As of Winter Benchmarking, ELA shows 8.7 points growth. As of Winter Benchmarking, MATH shows 7.1 points growth.

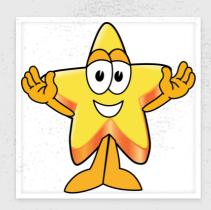
During the 2021-2022 school year, the percentage of students (grades 3-5) Meeting/Exceeding Expectations on ELA SC Ready will increase from 36.0% in spring 2021 to 41.0% in spring 2022.

Pre-pandemic (2019) = 47.8%

#### **MATH GOAL 2021-2022**

During the 2021-2022 school year, the percentage of students (grades 3-5) Meeting/Exceeding Expectations on math SC Ready will increase from 40.6% in spring 2021 to 45.6% in spring 2022.

Pre-pandemic (2019) = 59.5%



#### **ABOUT US**

Facebook @ @theCCEChampions

Mascot: Champion Star

School Colors: Purple and Yellow

S.T.A.R. Motto:

- Strive to do your best
- Take Responsibility
- Always Work Together
- Respect Others and Yourself



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