

Chandler Creek Elementary School



School Improvement Council Letter to the Community

Chandler Creek Elementary Schools mission is to empower students to become leaders, learners, and caring citizens who strengthen community.

Chandler Creek Elementary School is a community school serving 980 students in the city of Greer, South Carolina. Our mascot is the Champion Star and our Tagline is, **“Building a Community of Champions”**.

The 2019-2020 school year proved to be an historic year for our community as we navigated in-school learning to eLearning overnight. The testament to the hard work of our staff was evident as we reached out to students and families with Google Meet, Choice Boards, and Virtual Platforms to help bring content to life for students. We have immense gratitude for the hard work of all stakeholders as we strengthened our “Champion Spirit” while maintaining the safety and well-being of our community.

Our school year launched with the theme, To Greer and Beyond. Highlights of our year were the PTA Black Cat Ball and the Daddy Daughter Dance. Our PTA Boosterthon raised money for a new lower level track to be installed over the next school year. Our School Improvement Council was awarded the S.I.C Award for Merit 2019-2020 for our parent publication to the community the previous year. During the school year, we renewed our Beta Club Charter and worked with both Beta Club and Student Council to raise money for the Greer Food Bank. We added Little Libraries to our SIC Block Party sites and S.I.C. continued it's commitment to serve others.

Our teachers wrote numerous teacher grants with Donor's Choose and several staff members were awarded grants from the Greer Education Foundation. Due to this funding, our school is installing a new state of art sound system for our musical programs and ceremonies. Our classrooms also house new whiteboard tables in grades four and five and new signs welcome you to our school with our key focus to empower students to be leaders, learners, and caring citizens. Our fully renovated school lobby provides a welcoming entry and a new student entry door to maintain safety.

The school year closed with the installation of a new digital sign in the front of the building. Our fifth grade students were clapped out in style with a parade led by our local police and fire station. We ended the 2019-2020 school year with the hashtag, #cceStrong, which described the numerous parts of our community working together for a common good.

We look forward to the future of our school where we continue to foster both social and emotional learning with academic learning to meet the needs of the whole child.

Our School Improvement Council is instrumental in strengthening the community with our neighborhood outreach, service to others, and a belief that forming relationships with others will benefit our students for a lifetime.

SIC Members

Ansley Wright- Co Chair
Lindsey Stevens Co - Chair
Marnie Dumas
Alicia Keller
Josh Rice
Jane Mills
Mykeva Floyd
Ann Drayton Lister
Marsha Braga
Mandi White
Jack Awtrey
Leigh Ryan
Debbie Pisor
Jorge Santos

In service,

Jane Mills, Principal
Ansley Wright, SIC Co Chair
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Book Libraries added to Block Party Locations



Enrichment /Exposure Clubs Learning Beyond the Classroom

- Chorus
- Handbell Club
- Gentleman's Club WIP
- Girls Club - GEMS
- Engineering
- Google Coding
- Creek Chicks
- WCCE News Club
- Safety Patrol
- Student Government
- Art Club
- CIS
- Book Buddies
- Drama Club
- Spring Sing



Social Emotional Growth

- Capturing Kids Hearts School
- Full time Behavioral Interventionist
- Mental Health Counselor on site
- Two School Counselors
- Monthly G+ Lessons on College and Career Readiness
- Daily Inclusive School Habits
- Quarterly BLOCK parties to reach students and families outside of school
- Girls and Boys Groups
- Upstate Mentor School

SIC Yearly Goals

- #1 Raise Student Achievement
- #2 Hire and recruit highly qualified staff
- #3 Strengthen school environment with enrichment and exposure clubs
- #4 Mobilize grant opportunities for increased resources
- #5 Increased community outreach and partnerships utilizing the Chandler Creek Block Party Model



SC Ready English Language Arts and Mathematics

English Language Arts (Reading and Writing) - Percent met and exceeding

School	47.8%
District	54.7%
State	45.4%

Mathematics - Percent met and exceeding

School	59.5%
District	54.5%
State	45.1%

School Beliefs

Vision Statement:

Chandler Creek's Vision is **Creating a Community of Empowered Students (C.C.E.S)**

Beliefs:

- Students achieve best in a safe and inviting environment where they are engaged in learning.
- Students must have highly competent and caring teachers, principals, and support staff.
- Students must have equitable and high-quality educational opportunities that evolve and change to reflect the world around them.
- A successful educational culture empowers students to communicate and collaborate effectively, solve problems competently, think critically and creatively, and act responsibly.
- A successful educational culture develops students who are empathetic, respectful, resilient, and act with integrity.
- Embracing diversity and inclusion leads to mutual respect and breaks down barriers.
- Education is the shared responsibility of students, home, school, business, and community.
- Curriculum and instruction must meet the needs of all students and prepare each student for success.
- Early reading and mathematical thinking are the foundations for educational success.
- Our educational organization prepares students to value learning and contribute to society, which has a lasting positive impact on our community.