

School Mission

The mission of Lugoff-Elgin Middle School is to inspire all students to achieve excellence and become productive citizens.

Belief Statements

We foster an inclusive atmosphere in which each member of the school family can feel a sense of belonging. This is embodied in our school motto, "I am, You are, WE are L -E!" Each human life is of value and needs to be treated with integrity and respect. Every student is a pathway to the future with promise, potential, and possibilities. Learning is a lifelong process enhanced by a rigorous and comprehensive education including world -class and career -ready skills. Our community is strengthened by respecting, celebrating, and utilizing its diversity.

A safe, healthy, and nurturing environment is essential for positive growth and development.

SIC Officers

Amy Teague, Chairperson
Brenda Kirkland, Vice Chairperson
Cathy Epps, Secretary

SIC Webpages

www.sites.google.com/kcsdschools.net/lemssic
www.sic.sc.gov



Join us!

Distinctions

- South Carolina's First National Forum School to Watch, 2007; Redesignated in 2010, 2013, 2016, 2019 and 2022
- Excellent Rated 7th Grade Chorus (State Performance)
- Excellent Rated 8th Grade Chorus (State Performance)
- Excellent Rated Band (State Performance)
- Students read 1.4 million minutes during our Beanstack Reading Challenge!
- Palmetto's Finest
- Palmetto Gold & Silver Awards
- 8 National Board Certified Teachers
- Beta Club School of Merit 2023 & 2024
- 2022 Teacher of the Year and KCS D First Alternate Teacher of the Year, Sara Ponds
- 2022 KCS D Principal of the Year, Gene Cameron
- 2023 SCASL Midlands Regional Librarian of the Year, Emily Baccomo
- 2024 SC STEM Educator of the Year Upstate Finalist Crystal Blanton
- Volleyball Conference Champions
- Wrestling Conference Champions

Promising Practices

- Academic Challenge/Quiz Bowl
- Alpha Center Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program
- Art Club
- Author Visit
- Awards Ceremonies
- Be Great Academy
- Black History Trivia
- Book Challenge Team
- Camp Paws
- Career Day Job Shadowing
- Compassionate Competition Canned Food Drive
- Clubs Schedule
- Club Cure/Relay for Life
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Summer STEM Camp
- Guidance Classroom Lessons
- Intervention Classes in Math and ELA
- Leopard Student Ambassadors
- Military Child Club
- Million Women Mentor Symposium
- Musical Theatre
- Oratorical Contest
- Partners in Education
- Purple Star Designation
- Read Across America/1 Million Minutes Reading Challenge
- Science Club
- Scouting For Food (Boy Scout Troop 348)
- SEAGUL (Gifted/Talented Program)
- Sixth Grade Parent/Student Orientation
- Student Council
- Tutoring



SIC Annual Report

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2023-2024

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Principal's Vision

My vision for Lugoff - Elgin Middle School is one where genuine care and compassion for our students is coupled with progressive teaching and learning practices. Students are held to high academic standards, while teachers critically reflect on their own professional knowledge and skills. The goal is to provide a learning environment where students develop world class skills befitting of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by focusing on world class knowledge, world class skills, and life and career characteristics. Using the Profile of the Graduate, in conjunction with Schools to Watch criteria established by the National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grades Reform, our school continues to pave the way for student growth and achievement.

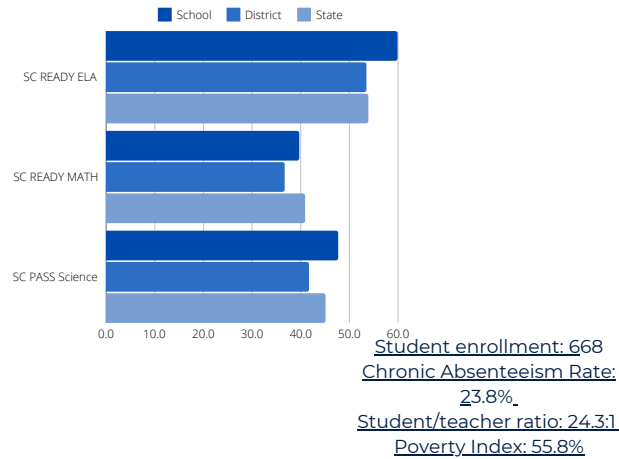
Gene Cameron, Principal

2022 KCS D Principal of the Year

About this Report

The LEMS-SIC prepared this annual school report for parents and the community. The report reviews the progress and growth made last year and describes plans for improvement this year. If you have any questions about the information summarized here, please contact Principal Gene Cameron at eugene.cameron@kcsdschools.net.

2023 Lugoff-Elgin Middle School Report Card Data



Plans for 2024-2025

Title I

Literacy will remain a focus through the monitoring and adjustment of a comprehensive literacy plan, which includes the RTI (Response to Intervention) approach. The plan will ensure continuity for all grade levels and subjects.

MTSS

We have extended our Multi-tiered Support Systems (MTSS) interventions to include after-school tutoring. The program focuses on specific skills in reading and in math.

Math Intervention

We will continue to provide intervention through MTSS and classroom intervention in conjunction with district math coaches. Teachers will continue using best practices, such as blended learning and station rotations as well as appropriate virtual instruction as needed.

School Improvement Goals

Improve ELA and math growth with an emphasis on rigor

- Implementing math and ELA curriculum with fidelity to target student growth and tailor instruction and remediation to meet students needs
- Administering MAP tests to all students three times per year, to identify and monitor strengths/weaknesses in ELA and Mathematics
- Teachers collaborating weekly in Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) to analyze and review data to drive best instructional practices
- Provide student-centered professional development during school-based Professional Learning Opportunities

Improve performance of students with special needs in all academic areas

- Ensure that IEPs are written based on individualized student needs
- Utilize testing data to individualize instruction
- Provide mainstreaming opportunities through co-teaching

Improve efforts to increase student and parent agency

- Maintain our parent and community "Shout-outs and Suggestion" platform to increase the volume of input
- Collaborate with Student Council to foster student agency using survey boxes
- Identify students who require social and emotional support (e.g., mentoring, counseling, small group intervention, etc.)

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