

## 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

Crystal Dixon, Chairperson  
Brenda Kirkland, Vice Chairperson  
Cathy Epps, Secretary

## SIC Webpages

[www.sites.google.com/kcsdschools.net/lemssic](http://www.sites.google.com/kcsdschools.net/lemssic)  
[www.sic.sc.gov](http://www.sic.sc.gov)



## 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)

Students read 1.4 million minutes during our Benastack Reading Challenge!

Palmetto 's Finest  
Palmetto Gold & Silver Awards

8 National Board Certified Teachers

Beta Club School of Merit

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

## Promising Practices

Academic Challenge/Quiz Bowl  
All Pro Dad Breakfast\*  
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 (Virtual)  
Compassionate Competition Canned Food Drive  
Club Cure/Relay for Life  
Cyber Day  
Family STEM Night/Stem Club  
Fellowship of Christian Athletes  
Girls Summer STEM Camp  
Guidance Classroom Lessons  
Intervention Classes in Math and ELA  
Leopard Student Ambassadors  
Military Child Club  
Musical Theatre\*  
One-to-One Technology Upgrade  
Oratorical Contest  
Partners in Education  
Project Lead the Way  
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  
Virtual Guest Classroom Speaker



# SIC Annual Report

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**2022-2023**

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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.

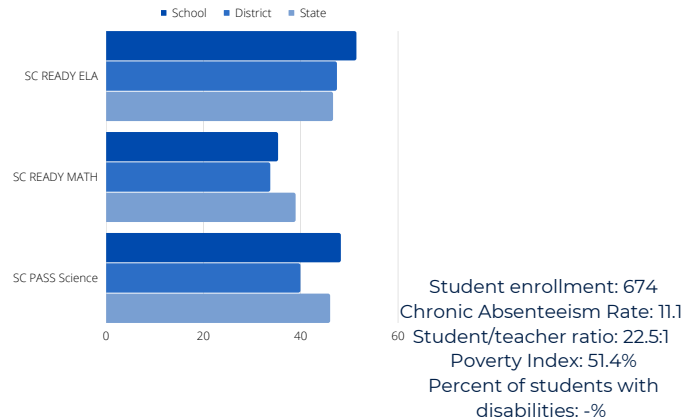
Gene Cameron, Principal

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](mailto:eugene.cameron@kcsdschools.net).

## 2022 Lugoff-Elgin Middle School Report Card Data



## Plans for 2022-2023

### 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 the implementation digital convergence framework as prescribed by KCS D. Teachers will continue using best practices, such as blended learning and station rotations as well as appropriate virtual instruction as needed.

LEMS is a proud Title I School

## School Improvement Goals

### Improve ELA and math growth with an emphasis on rigor

- Implementing Edmentum (i.e., Exact Path, Study Island) to target student growth and tailor instruction and remediation to meet students' needs
- Administering MAP tests to all students three times 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, especially as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic (e.g., mentoring, counseling, small group intervention, etc.)