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Lancaster, South Carolina 29720

McDonald Green Elementary S.I.C.

McDonald Green Elementary is committed to excellence by preparing students to be lifelong learners who can problem solve, think critically, and value the arts and diversity.

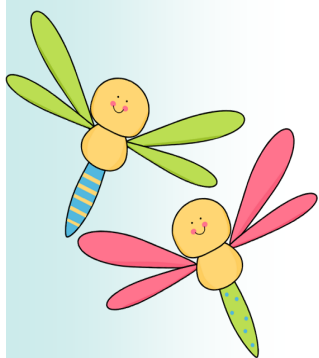
Our vision aligns with our district's vision and purpose: "Putting Children First."

Report to the parents:

McDonald Green Elementary, a rural community school, is truly a place where children grow and learn in a safe, nurturing environment that is guided and supported by caring and talented staff members. McDonald Green Elementary collaborates with all stakeholders to ensure student successes. Certified staff members of McDonald Green were recipients of J. Marion Sims Foundation and/or Partners For Youth grants. Our school continues to make educational gains on PASS and MAP and we contribute our success to our teachers laying great foundations for our students and building upon the solid foundation in place in order to encourage students to continue to strive for academic excellence. This collaboration helps ensure that all children are successful.



SIC Goal Areas:



- I. Safety
- II. Academics
- III. Student Recognition
- IV. Morale boosters for students and staff.

- I. Safety— We now have an officer to direct traffic in the afternoons. District did approve an officer for to ensure traffic flow and safety.
- II. Academics—Construct and implement a Literacy room.
- III. Student Recognition—

Continue to have Principals luncheon for students who make straight A honor roll. Recognize students with certain character traits for our Hall of Fame/Founders Fellow quarterly recognition.

IV. Morale—Students and staff spirit days were implemented.

About Our School:

McDonald Green Elementary is a Title I school located in a rural community with 520 students. Our student population is 56% Caucasian, 33% African-American, 8% Hispanic, and 3% other. Students are given many opportunities to explore the arts.

Chorus, Honors Chorus, and a World Percussion Ensemble are offered after school. Students also participate in our new MGE Step Team, Black Light group, and Drama Troupe through our 21st Century Learning Program.



How We Integrate the Arts:

Our classroom teachers integrate the arts through the use of project based learning, theatre, visual art, creative movement, and music to aid in the retention of information.

Also teachers have used reader's theatre, tableaux, and visual art strategies after attending professional development workshops offered by the Lancaster County Council of the Arts in partnership with the Kennedy Center of the Arts.

Our regular classroom teachers will be attending arts institutes in the summer of 2015.

Our Awards:

McDonald Green Elementary has been honored with three awards from the SC State Department of Education.

- We received a Palmetto Silver Award for our general performance on our South Carolina State Report Card for 2010-2011, 2011-2012, and 2012-2013
- We also received a Palmetto Silver Award for the 2010-2011 school year for Closing the Achievement Gap with our African American students.
- 2007-present: ABC Grant recipient
- 2012-present: DAP grant recipient
- 2014: MGE received a grade of "A" on our school report card.



Our dragonfly team believes in "Putting Children First," and understands that all stakeholders, parents, teachers, students, and the administrative team must continue to work together to achieve academic excellence for all children. Therefore, McDonald Green continues to produce "High Flying Dragonflies" and offers each child the opportunity for a well-rounded elementary experience.