



# FORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## *Annual School Improvement Report to the Parents*

**2021-2022**

*Empowering and Inspiring All to be Educated and Informed*

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**Mr. Zakaria Watson, Principal**  
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### Ford Elementary SIC Members

Zakaria Watson, Emily Parks  
**Ex Officio Members**

Johnathan McClintock  
**Community Members, Appointed**

Danielle Foster (Chair), Erica Fortner  
**Parents, Elected**

Susan Hawkins, Chelsea Marino  
**Teachers, Elected**

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### PURPOSE OF THE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This report is issued by the Ford Elementary School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the S.I.C., and other accomplishments during the school year.

### SIC Annual Goals

- Our school's SIC Goals mirror our school's Strategic Plan Goals:
  - Increase parent participation and satisfaction with the overall school environment;
  - Increase the percentage of students scoring *meeting* and *exceeding* on state assessments in ELA, math, and science;
  - Create a safe environment for all students and staff.

“For more information, you may view Ford Elementary School's “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov).”

### Title I School-Wide Services

- Class Size Reduction
- Academic Interventionist
- Instructional Supplies
- Field Trips
- Professional Development
- Parenting Coordinator & Supplies
- After School Tutoring
- Summer School Supplies



## Student Achievement

Ford Elementary students showed growth in ELA and Math RIT scores from Fall to Winter on their MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) Test:

### **1st Grade:**

- Reading: 4.9-point growth
- Math: 10-point growth

### **2nd Grade:**

- Reading: 7-point growth
- Math: 10-point growth

### **3rd Grade:**

- Reading: 5.5-point growth
- Math: 8.1-point growth

### **4th Grade:**

- Reading: 5.2-point growth
- Math: 5.8-point growth

### **5th Grade:**

- Reading: 6.6-point growth
- Math: 6.4-point growth

## Additional Information

At Ford Elementary, we believe that...

- All people can learn and be successful.
- All people have value and deserve to be treated with respect, dignity, and fairness.
- Excellence is achievable through high expectations.
- All people have a right to learn in a safe, clean, and comfortable learning environment.
- Family and community involvement are important to the success of a child's total education. Learning is a life-long journey.
- All students deserve a relevant and challenging education that prepares them for the future while meeting their individual needs today.

## School Achievements and Opportunities

- Gifted and Talented
- 21st CCLC After-School Program
- Eagles Nest Tutorial Program
- Summer Enrichment & Remediation Programs
- Summer Reading Camp
- ESOL Services
- ESOL Buddy Tutoring Program
- Academic Recovery Program
- Primary Montessori Classroom
- CAT Program for 5th Grade
- Small-Group Intervention
- AVID Grade 3
- Ed Options Virtual Learning
- Weekly Nutrition Bags
- Quarterly Awards Programs
- School-Wide Discipline Program
- Positive Parties
- Book Vending Machine Awards
- Parent Volunteer Program
- School Improvement Council
- Parent/Teacher Association
- Special Needs Services
- Full-Time Instructional Coaches
- Academic Interventionists

