



Mission Statement

The mission of Ford Elementary School is to create a community of learners who are **Respectful, Responsible, Proud, and Productive** citizens.

La misión de la Escuela Elemental Ford es crear una comunidad de participantes que son **Respetuosos, Responsables, Orgulloso y Productivos.**

Vision Statement

Ford Elementary will be a school of excellence through engaging and appropriately challenging educational practices for all learners.

Declaracion de la Visión

La declaración general de lo que proponemos lograr en el future es será una escuela de excelencia a través de practicas educativas, apropiadas y desafiante para todos los estudiantes.

Activities and Opportunities

- Gifted and Talented Academy
- Behavior Awards
- D.A.R.E Program, (in joint effort between 5th grade and Laurens County Sheriffs department)
- E.S.O.L Services, 37% of student population participate in this program.
- Field Day: 5k- 5th grades
- Fifth Grade Graduation
- Foster Grandparent Program
- Guidance Lessons
- 5K Graduation
- Literacy and Math Coach
- Montessori Bridging
- Parent Volunteers
- Parent-Teacher Organization
- Family Nights- Events and Performances
- Resource Teacher
- Special Needs Services
- Staff Professional Development Sessions

2013-2014 Parent-Teacher Organization

President: Emily Parks

Vice President: April Navarro

Secretary/Treasurer: Nancy Knight /
Ginny Fitzsimmons

PTO Organizers: C. Byrd, L. Savage, D. Davis
C. Sullivan, T. Stewart.
D. Woodruff, K. Krystyniak



Laurens County School District 55 2013-2014



FORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Home of the **EAGLES**

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“School Improvement Councils (SICs) serve the school principal and faculty in an advisory role, bringing together parents, educators, students, and community stakeholders to collaborate on the improvement of their local school. SICs are mandated by law to exist in every public school in South Carolina.” (SC School Improvement Council, 2012).

2013-2014 SIC/ Title I Planning Committee

Albers, Pam	Parent
Byrd, Crystal	Parent
Hill, Sarah	Teacher
Parks, Emily	Teacher
Sales, Marcie	Teacher
Davis, Leon	Community Member
James, Barry	Community Member
Sumner, Walt	Com. Mem. / SRO
Savage, Lindsay	Teacher of the Year
Penland, Kim	Assistant Principal
Simmons, Dianne	Principal

Parents and community members, please take this opportunity to join our School Improvement Council in order to improve the everyday experiences of our children.

**SC School Improvement Council. (2012). What you should know. Why you should know it. How you can help. [Brochure]. Columbia. SC School Improvement Council. Retrieved: <http://sic.sc.gov/publicationsanddownloads/>

Title I School Wide Supported Services

- Class Size Reduction
- Funds for field trips
- Instructional Coach
- Instructional Materials and Supplies
- Parenting
- Reading Interventionist

GOALS

School Climate -Character Education/Parent Involvement.

We will provide a safe environment that promotes positive character development and parental involvement in the education of all students.

Teacher/Administrator Quality

We will maintain highly qualified and instructionally effective teachers and administrators.

Student Achievement

We will provide standards-based lessons and effective instructional strategies to promote increased student achievement for all students.



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.

Nosotros creemos que...

- Todas las personas pueden aprender y tener éxito.
- Todas las personas tienen valor y merecen ser tratados con respeto, dignidad y justicia.
- La excelencia se puede lograr a través de altas expectativas
- Todas las personas tienen el derecho de aprender en un ambiente seguro, limpio y cómodo.
- La participación de la familia y la comunidad son importantes para el éxito en la educación de los niños.
- El aprendizaje es un viaje permanente por vida.
- Todos los estudiantes merecen una educación relevante y desafiante que los prepara para el futuro, mientras proporcionamos para la necesidades individuales en la actualidad.