

Report to the People

Laurens Elementary School

2014-2015

301 Henry Street, Laurens, SC



Phillip Dean, Principal

Mandy Tumblin, Assistant Principal
Celita Strickland, Counselor
John Finley, Instructional Coach

Laurie Seawright, Instructional Coach
Diane Moore, Teacher of the Year (2014-2015)
Curry Coates, Teacher of the Year (2015-2016)

School Improvement Council/Title I Planning Team Members 2014-2015

Gail Barksdale, Community/Appointed
Diane Moore, Teacher of the Year/Ex-officio
Phillip Dean, Principal/Ex-officio
Tanya Towne, Teacher/Elected (2)
Michael Polson, Community/Appointed
Christy Patterson, Parent/Elected (2)
Marticia Smith, Parent/Elected (2)
Terri Neely, Parent/Elected (2)

Tera Cunningham, Parent/Elected(1)
Cathy Little, Parent/Elected (1)
Emily Dasher, Community/Appointed
Dawn Reynolds, Parent/Elected (1)
Celita Strickland, Counselor/GT/appointed
Ami Hardy, Teacher/Elected (2)
Mandy Tumblin, Assistant Principal/Ex-officio
Kathy Pinson, Teacher/Elected(1)

Renewal Goals

We are working to achieve the following goals:

- to have 81.4% of students in grades 3-5 score "Met" or above in ELA as measured by ACTAspire.
- to have 84.1% of students in grades 3-5 score "Met" or above in Math as measured by ACTAspire
- to have 76.1% of students in grades 4-5 score "Met" or above in Science as measured by PASS
- to have 81% of students in grades 4-5 score "Met" or above in Social Studies as measured by PASS.
- to continue the study of best practices in literacy and mathematics through professional development.
- to increase the number of parents participating in parenting activities & events that affect student achievement.

Character Education

- 5th to the Future
- District CARE Program
- Kiwanis Terrific Kid Program
- Red Ribbon Food Drive
 - Relay for Life
- United Way School Supply Drive
- Graduation, More Than a Dream
- DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education)

Fine Arts

- GT Music Program
- Kaleidoscope of the Arts Musical Performances
- Student artwork displayed at Laurens County Museum, District 55 offices, and our school
- 4th grade Organ Concert
- School Music Performances

School Choice

- Montessori 4K-5th
- Pre-school Programs
- Pre-school Parent Visitation
 - Traditional 1st-5th
- OWL Curriculum (4K)



Academics

21st Century After-School Program
Study Island Intervention Groups
DeFord Assessment Tasks
Educational Field Trips
EL Teacher
Gifted & Talented
Guided Reading
Hands-on Instruction
Instructional Coaches
Measures of Academic Progress
Comprehension Tool Kit
Reading on the Green/Spring Fling
Reading Recovery
Shared Reading
Thinking Maps
Tutoring
Reading and Writing Workshops
Literacy and Math stations
Daily 5 and CAFÉ
Fantastic 5
Achieve 3000
Summer Reading Camp
Michelin STEM Competition
Team Ecology
Summer School

Health/Nutrition/Fitness

School Nurse
Always Changing (5th)
Extra P.E. Classes
Field Day
Healthy Meals Selection
Universal Breakfast Program
Lions Club Vision Screenings
School Health Committee
Physical Education Programs-
Fitness gram
5th Grade Active Gamecock
NOPE



Technology

Computer Labs
District Technology Coach
Ipads for all classes
Promethean Boards in all classes
Study Island
Reading Eggs
Keyboarding
Achieve 3000
Legos
Hour of Code
Khan Academy
Google (Mail, Drive, Classroom)

Professional Development

Best Practices Seminars
Book Studies
Common Teacher Planning Time
DSS Certification for 4K Teachers/Assistants
District Mini-Courses
District Pacing Guides
Grade Level Meetings
Professional Learning Communities
Clemson/ USC Masters Cohorts
School Level Professional
Development
District Wide Professional Development
Summer STEM Institute
SC State Standards Training

Parenting/Community

Veteran's Day Speaker
BI-LO Rewards Program
Box Tops for Education
Campbell's Soup Labels
Community Service Projects
CNA Student Assistants
Ident-a-Kid
Ingles Advantage Card Program
Kiwanis Terrific Kid Program
LDHS ROADS Program
LDHS Service Learning Students
LDHS Teacher Cadets
Local Business Partnerships (Bojangles, Wal-Mart Distribution Center)
Parent/Community Volunteer Program
Parent Conferences/Parent Nights
Presbyterian College, Lander, Newberry & USC Upstate
Practicum/Intern Students
Reading on the Green/Spring Fling
Target Awards Program
United Way
Visitor/Student Sign Out System
Wal-Mart Instructional Grants
YMCA Child Development Center on-site
Book Fair
Parent Portal
NutriKids
Grandparent Breakfast
Parent Luncheons
Montessori Bridging Ceremony
Muffins for Mom
Doughnuts for Dad
Snack Bags Program
Security Cameras/Buzzer Entrance
Law Enforcement Officer at School
Relay for Life

