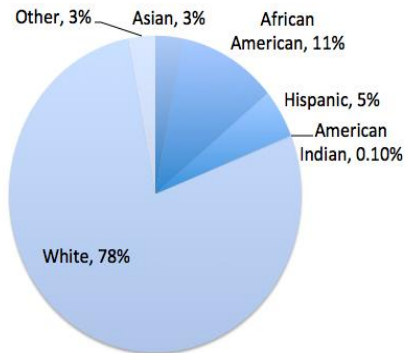
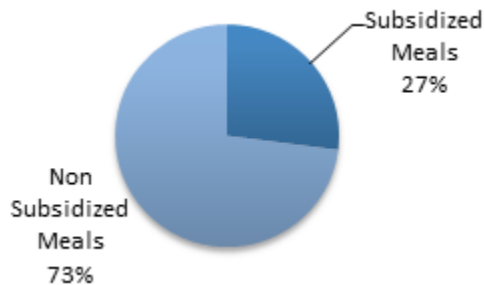


Statistical Overview

Demographic Information



Students Receiving Subsidized Meals



Achievement Data

Grades 6-8

ACT Aspire

	English	Reading	Writing	Math
Exceeding/ Ready	84	59	35	61
Close	13	24	50	25
In Need of Support	3	17	15	14

SCPASS

	Social Studies	Science
Exemplary/Met	91	84
Not Met	9	16

Special thanks to our 2015-2016 School Improvement Council:

Members: Mrs. Jamie Fite, Mr. Neil Nadkarni, Mrs. Denise Quickel, Mrs. Laura McCombs, Mr. Michael Hawkins, Mrs. Alyson Shirer, Mr. Stanley Brown, Mrs. Felecia Maresh, Mr. Ed Pearce, Mr. Fran Halloran, Mr. Jerry Freeman, Mrs. Stephanie Cope, Mrs. Jane Waters, Mrs. Carey Clark, Mr. Kevin Mulligan, Mr. Michael Yoon, Mr. Matthew O'Hara, Mrs. Anne Stewart

Teachers: Mrs. Patricia Lampl, Mrs. Lauren LaVenia

Administration: Mr. Ryan Pool

PTO President: Mrs. Jenny Burkholder

Lexington Middle School

Mission Statement:

Inspiring, preparing, and empowering students to make their world a better place.

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2015-2016 SIC Report to Parents

It has been an exciting year at Lexington Middle School as we continue to inspire, prepare, and empower our students to make their world a better place. By focusing this year on student-centered learning, we helped our students develop the world-class knowledge, skills and characteristics described by the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate. The students' work paid off in numerous accomplishments and recognition. We are so proud of all of our students this year and confident that they are ready for whatever awaits them beyond LMS.

Our students experience a rich curriculum guided by the South Carolina standards and the International Baccalaureate. Each student participates in a balance of eight academic subject areas. New courses like Communication 21 and 702 North Lake – studying the impact of social media, continue to expand opportunities for our students. Our academic performance earned us the state's highest rating, Palmetto Gold, and we also earned Palmetto Silver recognition for Closing the Achievement Gap. Our students qualify for prestigious programs such as Duke Tip, Palmetto Junior Scholars, and the National Beta Club. These measures along with nationally normed data tell us that our students enjoy substantial, continuous growth at our school.

At Lexington Middle, we identify and measure student development in specific skill areas known as Approaches To Learning. Our students apply their skills in school and through their amazing accomplishments in extracurricular activities. Our performing arts ensembles scored Superior ratings in their state evaluations, while our athletic teams made us proud throughout the year. Our cheerleaders were named state champions for middle schools, and our volleyball team went undefeated for the sixth straight season, once again winning the region championship. We added a dance program this year, with introductory classes as well as a highly successful competitive dance company. For the sixteenth consecutive year, our students participated in an international exchange with students from Claremont, France. We take pride in celebrating the whole student at LMS and our kids continue to discover their many amazing talents.

Our mission as a school is driven by the idea that each of our students will be able to make a positive impact on their world. Character education and service is embedded into all we do. We have classroom and school-wide service projects that involve every student. Our LMS Relay For Life team raised over \$20,000 for the fight against cancer. This year for the first time, our eighth graders completed individual inquiry-based community service projects. After researching and selecting a project, students developed and implemented action plans to address an issue in the community. Their presentations to advisors and peers documented their process and provided reflections on their own personal discoveries resulting from the work. Through the projects, they made a positive impact in local senior facilities, animal shelters, charitable organizations, and much more.

We were honored this year to be recognized as a Palmetto's Finest finalist, as well as a TransformSC school, joining a network of schools committed to innovative practices in education. Pride in our students' achievements energizes our efforts and fuels our passion for continuous improvement. Our students are the profile of the South Carolina graduate, guided by a proud faculty and community, towards a future with endless possibilities.

Principal Ryan T. Pool and SIC Chair Carey Clark

AWARDS & HONORS

- Palmetto's Finest Finalist 2015-2016
- International Baccalaureate Candidate 2014-15
- Palmetto Gold 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2015-16
- 5 Year Ratings 2011 Excellent, 2012 Excellent, 2013 Excellent
- RAMP Award 2011-12

ACADEMICS:

- Duke Tip Awards State Finalists: 18
- Palmetto Junior Scholars: 28
- Teacher of the Year: Lyn Hamilton, District Teacher of the Year Finalist
- Milken Award Winner: Kimberly Freeman
- DonorsChoose.org Project Funding Recipient: Mark Garner
- Michelin Golden Apple Teacher Grant Recipients: Meghan Blackburn, Megan DeFeo
- 2016 Middle School Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall Honors Junior Choir Participant: Abigail Espinoza

ATHLETICS:

- Football PAC: 7th West Division
- Boys Basketball: 5th place
- Girls Basketball: 2nd place
- Volleyball: PAC Champions
- LMS Competition Cheer Team: 2015 Debbie Rogers Cheer Classic First-Place Winners

ARTS:

***Band**

- Region Band: 10 students
- District Honor Band: 10 students
- Tri-DAC: 14 students
- SCBDA Concert Festival: Superior with Distinction Rating
- Charleston Music Festival - Superior Rating

***Chorus**

- Superior Ranking from State Performance Assessment for 6th and 8th Grade Chorus groups
- District Honor Choir Participants: 2 students
- Tri-DAC: 1 student
- Carowinds Festival of Music: May 20th

***Drama**

- Cameron Eubanks placed 3rd in Monologues and Tucker Privette placed 3rd in Original Monologues at the SCSTA Middle School State Festival.
- Tri-DAC Theater: 2 students

***Orchestra**

- Tri-DAC: 1 student
- OrlandoFest 2016: Superior & 1st place middle school string orchestra AA
- 2016 OrlandoFest: Rated Superior & 1st place Middle School String Orchestra AA
- 2016 SCMEA Concert Festival: Superior
- 2015 Carowinds *Festival of Music*: Superior
- 2016 Lexington 1 District Honors Orchestra: 9 students
- 2016 SCMEA Region III Junior Orchestra: 3 students
- 2015 SCMEA Solo & Ensemble Festival: 32 Superior medals awarded to students
- 2016 Tri-District Consortium Summer: 1 student
- 2016 SC Governor's School for the Arts & Humanities Summer Discover Program: 1 student
- SC Philharmonic Youth Repertory Orchestra: 1 student
- SCMEA All-State Orchestra: 2 students

***Visual Arts**

- Tri-District Consortium: 1 student
- Audrey Boyette won 1st Place in the 2015 State Fair 3D Student Category.
- Isabel Smith and Alissa Quintana won the Superintendent's Middle School Greeting Card Contest.
- Lauren Rotola's Wycinanki Design was chosen to be featured on the first Lexington One Time Warner Cable Channel 2 Digital Art Exhibit (It runs every 40 minutes on TV channel 2, also on YouTube)
- Katelyn Berry shared our LMS Smile Project designs with her mother and students at HB Rhame Elementary School to bring hope to their flood victims.

COMMUNITY:

- 8th Grade Completed IB Projects: 228
- Student Council: 10 members
- MathCounts: 6 members
- Archery Team: Regional & State participation. Team qualified for National.
- BETA Club: 216 members - Over 500 hours of community service.
- CIA Club: 19 members – Participated in the Walk Like MADD
- 2015-2016: Relay for Life- \$20,150; First place RFL Fundraising team for RFL of Lexington
- Miss Jr. Teen South Carolina United States 2016: Laney Quicquel
- Bass Fishing Club: 30 members