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# Lexington Middle School

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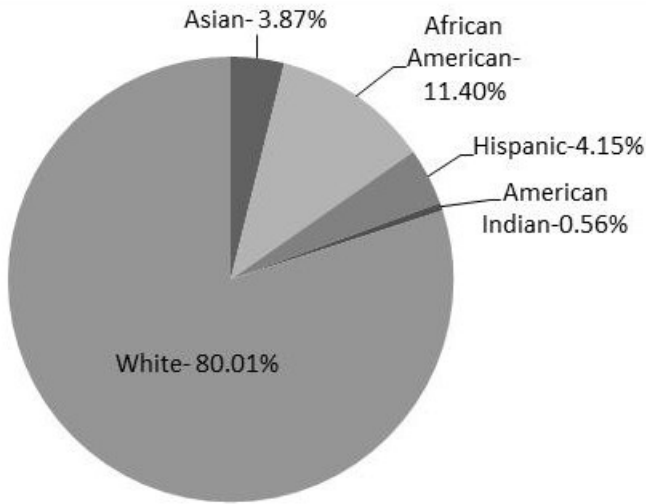
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Assistant Principal

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Asst. Administrator

## From the Desk of Ryan Pool:

What an exciting year at Lexington Middle School! On behalf of the LMS Faculty and the 2012-2013 School Improvement Council, we want to thank the students, parents, and strong community support that have made this transition year such a success. As stated in our school mission, we strive to be a "safe, caring environment dedicated to promoting the education of each student." The information in this annual report provides a sample of the many ways that mission comes to life for our students. Our approaches are guided by fundamentally agreed upon beliefs, research, and expertise about emerging adolescent learners. This academic year brought significant change for our school, with a greatly reduced student enrollment, a new bell schedule, world language as a core subject, and the introduction of one to one computing through iPads. Our students and community have responded to these changes and adapted successfully, and we continue to expand and evolve our programs to improve everyday. The demographic and testing data below are the results of our 2011-2012 school year, which once again earned LMS recognition as a Palmetto Gold recipient and Excellent ratings in overall performance and growth. We are proud of these accomplishments and recognition as one of the finest middle schools in South Carolina. Test results from our current students will be available this summer and we once again expect our students to excel. On the reverse side of the report, we have compiled an amazing list of accomplishments by our current students. Academically, athletically, and artistically, the students of Lexington Middle School continue to represent the best that our state has to offer. The number of Palmetto Junior Scholars and Duke Tip Awards among our students indicates the highest levels of achievement. Our performing arts programs consistently receive Superior ratings thanks to the talent of our young people, as well as the hard work of their highly qualified teachers. From our undefeated Volleyball team to our strong performance in the regional MathCounts competition, our Wildcats are making us proud. Beyond these recognitions, it is the nature of our students and community that make LMS such a very special place. This year, our students have led community change by organizing a canned food drive that donated over 2100 pounds of food for Harvest Hope Food Bank, and to date have raised over \$11,000 for Relay For Life's battle against cancer. They are truly a special group of students, supported by a very special community. If this report gives any indication, our future looks very bright! Thanks again to all of the supporters of the Wildcat family!

### Statistical Overview



### Achievement Data

#### 6th Grade

	ELA	Math	Science	SS*	Writing
Exemplary	59 %	53%	39 %	65 %	N/A
Met	27 %	35 %	48 %	27 %	N/A
Not Met	14 %	12 %	13 %	8 %	N/A

#### 7th Grade

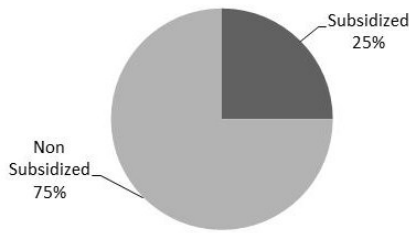
	ELA	Math	Science	SS*	Writing
Exemplary	59%	61 %	59%	69 %	N/A
Met	24%	27 %	29 %	19 %	N/A
Not Met	17 %	12 %	12%	12 %	N/A

#### 8th Grade

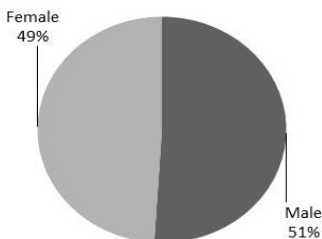
	ELA	Math	Science	SS*	Writing
Exemplary	58 %	44%	59 %	74 %	45 %
Met	27 %	41 %	29 %	19 %	37 %
Not Met	15 %	15 %	12 %	8.7%	18 %

\* Social Studies

### Students Receiving Subsidized Meals



### Gender



## Awards & Honors

- ☐ Palmetto Gold, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-2013
- ☐ Palmetto Silver -Closing the Achievement Gap, 2010-11
- ☐ 5 Year Ratings: 2011 Excellent, 2012 Excellent
- ☐ RAMP Award, 2011-12

### ACADEMICS:

#### \*Duke Tip Awards

2011-12: State Finalists: 24 2012-13: State Finalists: 11 and 1 Grand Recognition

\*Palmetto Junior Scholars

2011-12: 84 2012-2013: 46

#### \*Creative Writing

Tri-District Arts Consortium

2011-12: 6 students; 2012-2013: 2 students

\*2012-13: Geography Bee: Elizabeth Jordan

\*Sertoma Club National Heritage Essay Winners:

2011-12: Erin Callahan, William Allee, Caldwell Loftis

2012-2013: Erin Gobbi, Roberta Moran, and Aleigha Pound

#### \*National Latin Exam

2010-11: Silver Maxima Cum Laude: Caroline Gates, Veronica Chiu, Patrick McKenzie, 2011-12: Silver Maxima Cum Laude: Katie Carrillo, Christopher Coskrey, Rosemary Coskrey, Leland Hartzog, Alexandra Shertzer

#### \*Fund Raising and Service Projects

2010-11: Relay for Life \$8278.90, Families Helping Families, Oliver Gospel Mission, Harvest Hope, Operation Gratitude, United Way, 2012-2013: Relay for Life-\$11,000+

#### Teacher of the Year

2011-12: Paul Berrian, 2012-2013: Kimberly Freeman

### ARTS:

#### \*Band

2010-11 Region: 6 students, 2012-2013: 2 Students,

2011-12 Region Band: 6 students, 2011-12 Tri-District

Consortium: 7 students, 2012-2013: 6 students

Concert Festival Excellent; 2012-2013: Symphonic Band-Superior Rating and 1st Place in Charleston Music Festival

#### \*Chorus

2012-2013: 7th and 8th Grade Chorus-Superior Rating at State Choral festival and 1st Place in Treble Division, Superior Rating at Carowinds Festival of Music for all 3 grades

LMS Honor Choir-Gold Rating, Sweepstakes Winner and Grand Champion at Southern Star Music Festival

Tri-District Consortium

2011-12: 6 students, 2012-13: 9 students

#### \*Dance

Tri-District Consortium

2010-11: 4 students, 2011-12: 2 students

#### \*Drama

Tri-District Consortium

2011-12: 3 students, 2012-13: 3 students

#### \*Orchestra

2012-13: Midlands Regional: 1 student

SC All-State: 1 student

Concert Festival: Superior

Tri-District Consortium: 5 students

2011-12: Midlands Region: 4 students

SC All-State: 1 student

Concert Festival: Excellent

#### \*Visual Arts

Tri-District Consortium

2011-12: 18 students, 2012-13: 11 students

#1 in SC Middle Schools on Artsonia.com

(for overall website activity) 2011-12

2012-2013: David Savastano accepted into

The Governor's School for the Arts and

Humanities in Visual Arts

### ATHLETICS:

#### \*Football:

2010-11 PAC 3<sup>rd</sup> place

2011-12 PAC Champions

#### \*Boys Basketball

2010-11: PAC runner-up for the regular

season: Semifinals of PAC tournament

2011-12: PAC 5<sup>th</sup> place

#### \*Girls Basketball

2011-12: PAC third place

2012-2013: PAC Regular Season

Champions

#### \*Boys' Track

2010-11: PAC 5<sup>th</sup> place

2011-12: PAC 2<sup>nd</sup> place

#### \*Girls' Track

2010-11: PAC 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

2011-12: PAC 1<sup>st</sup> Place

#### \*Volleyball

2011-12 PAC Champions

2012-2013: PAC Champions

### CLUBS:

\*Mock Trial Team sponsored by the S.C. Bar Association

2010-11: 17 Members

Regional: Placed top two teams advanced to State

State: no placement

2011-2012: 19 Members

(13 Students/5 Coaches/1 Attorney Coach)

Regional: Placed top four teams

advanced to State

State: Placed 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### \*Student Council

2012-2013: 2100 pounds of food raised and donated to Harvest Hope Food Bank

\*SC Junior Classical League

Derivatives-3<sup>rd</sup> Place-Ratna Patel

Vocabulary- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place-Ally Shealy and 3<sup>rd</sup>

Place- Heath Strickland

Certamen Academic Team-Ratna Patel, Heath

Strickland and Dean Dedmon

LMS JCL 4th Place Finish Overall at SC Spring

Focum Competition

\*MathCounts 2011-12: 10 members

MathCounts Chapter Competition: 5<sup>th</sup> place

2012-2013: American Competition Awards-4,

Math Counts Awards-1 and Math Counts

Competition Team-16 members

Math Counts Silver Medal Award School

## LMS Professional Development Plan for 2012-2013

This year has been a busy one at Lexington Middle School in terms of Professional Development. The following are all areas our teachers have been immersed in Professional Development:

- iPADS
- Common Core State Standards (implemented in 2014)
- Grading for Learning Procedures
- World Language as a Core Subject
- Gradual Release of Responsibility/New Block Schedule



## 2012-2013 District Teacher of The Year: Kimberly Freeman

*Mrs. Freeman will go on to represent Lexington School District One next year in the SC Teacher of The Year Competition!*

## School Improvement Council

**Parent Members:** Ms. Pam Cope, Mr. Sean Bradford, Ms. Margaret Anne Gaffney, Ms. Ursula Shertzer, Ms. Alyson Shirer, Ms. Robin Todd, Ms. Christy Modzelewski, Mr. Matt O'Hara, Mr. Anthony Buzetti, Ms. Lisa Loftis, Ms. Stacie Bartlett, and Ms. Sarah Weiss

**Teachers:** Ms. Janice Holden, Ms. Sara Hanle, Ms. Laura McCombs, and Ms. Ashleigh Near

**Administration:** Mr. Ryan Pool

**Co- PTO President:** Ms. Christy Modzelewski  
And Ms. Sarah Weiss