

Lake Murray Elementary

2023-2024 SIC Report to Parents

Palmetto's Finest School 2023
National Unifund Champion School Award in 2021
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'Anchored in Leadership, Anchored in Learning'

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Administration

Jennifer Shroyer, Principal
Janice Black, Assistant Principal
Lena Clark, Assistant Principal

LMES Teacher of the Year



Ashley Kendall, Teacher of the Year and Top 10 District Teacher

LMES Support Staff Member of the Year

Michelle Hill, Support Staff Member of the Year



Lake LMA is BEST at LMES!

Proudly, Lake Murray Elementary has approximately 600 students in K-5th grade. The needs, backgrounds, and cultures of our campus are diverse, which is one of the many things we celebrate. Our families speak nearly different languages other than English, and we see ten different conditions within our special education population. The school's culture is one that has embraced growth and continuous professional learning to best meet the needs of each individual child. The LMA leaders take all of us working together to provide the best possible school experience for the students we serve.

Our Goals

- Increase student achievement
- Develop self-directed student leaders
- Provide high-quality instruction that engages and has real-world application
- Foster a community of collaboration
- Support the achievement of the Lexington One Graduate Profile

Academic Assessment Indicators

Lake Murray students were assessed using the SCReady and SCNCS, which align to the state academic standards. These assessments include English Language Arts (reading and writing), mathematics, and science for 4th grade only. The table below shows student scores from the 2022-2023 academic school year:

3rd Grade SC READY	92% E.L.A. Met and Exceeded
4th Grade SC READY and SC PASS	92% E.L.A. Met and Exceeded
5th Grade SC READY	79% E.L.A. Met and Exceeded
5th Math Met and Exceeded	74% Science Met and Exceeded

Technology

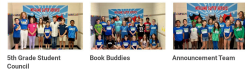
Currently, our K-2nd grade students used PROS and our 3rd-5th grade students used Chromebooks. At Lake Murray, we will build Google Classroom use a platform to manage student and teacher communication, in addition to teachers having access to devices, all of our Instructional Assistant have iPads to support student learning.

LMES School Improvement Council

The purpose of the LMES School Improvement Council is to serve as an advisory committee to our school. School Improvement Councils are mandated by law to exist in every public school in South Carolina. Our council gives a new voice to the education of our students through parents, educators and community stakeholders together to improve Lake Murray Elementary. Under the guidance of the administration, the School Improvement Council's mission this school year was to strengthen our position as the premier elementary school in Lexington through our business performance and the presence and recognition of teachers & staff. Through its collaboration with the PTA, SIC worked on increasing partnerships with community businesses. The focus moved through this process was directly towards resources to staff, making experiences more appealing and functional, as well as generating marketing materials for teacher recruitment at trade shows, job fairs, and at our school. In addition, SIC serves as a support to provide recommendations to school regarding student achievement, safety, and well-being of the students and staff.

SIC Members

Kathryn Zellers, Chairperson, Parent
Matt Adams, Parent
Tanya Mitchell, Parent
Ashley Kendall, Teacher
Ashley Kendall, Teacher
Edwin Garcia, Community Member
Rachel Isenberg, Community Member
Jennifer Shroyer, Principal/EO Office
Janice Black, Assistant Principal/EO Office
Lena Clark, Assistant Principal/EO Office



Leadership Teams at LMES

At the beginning of the year, our 4th and 5th grade students were able to apply for different leadership teams for Lake Murray. This gives the students the "real" experience of applying for a job and getting a "teacher reference". The teams are led by staff members in the school. This year the students had the following teams: Reading Team, Heritage, Healthy Habits - Library Leaders - Student Council - LMES New Team - Announcement Team - Market Book Buddies - Lost and Found Leaders - Flag Parade - Unleashed Club



Highlights During the Year!

- Looked at the Month Celebrations. Each month we celebrate one student from our school who was nominated by their teacher for doing a great job representing our character for that month as outlined in the Lexington One Profile of Graduate.
- Bookathon: PTA and Bookathons worked together to raise funds for our program.
- Flag Parade: Students in Grades 2nd - 5th participated throughout the year and competed in the race in December and May.
- Real World Week: During Real World Week, our school conducted an anti-drug and tobacco walkabout to make the importance of staying safe from prescription and illegal drugs, alcohol, and e-cigarettes. We also discussed healthy habits and how to say "No" to drugs!
- Veterans Day Assembly: All students and staff members honored local Veterans in an assembly and they were invited, prior to the event, to a breakfast held in the library.
- SIC Open House Open Day: The 5th graders read 100, 425 to help off for the cost of the book that we bring them to Parsons Point.
- Food Drive for the Ronald McDonald House
- Cost Drive for Mission Lexington. We collected over 300 gently used coats.
- Student Conference Night: The students of LMES became the leaders of their own learning! They shared with their parents, what they had learned and how they have grown as readers and writers.
- Read Across America Day: Students and staff dressed up as different book characters and shared their love of reading with one another.
- Art Show: In March, all students had a piece of art work on display in the cafeteria for our 1st school walk at school.
- Mentor Program: Students were matched with community members who served as mentors to encourage our students to read more.
- Relay for Life Egg Drive: We raised \$2, 014 by selling plastic eggs filled with treats. In addition, we collected money for different items, such as the Egg and Clucky Book Day.
- Career Cafe: Each month we had a guest speaker to come and talk with our 3rd-5th graders about different career opportunities. We also had a vehicle day for all grades where they learned about different professions through the vehicles they drive.

