# Lake Murray Elementary

2019-2020 SIC REPORT TO PARENTS



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### STUDENT BODY

13 Student Leadership Teams Student Council

Band

Strings

Chorus

Run Hard

### LMES FACULTY AND STAFF

55 Certified Teachers 37 Support Staff 2 School Counselors

### **ADMINISTRATION**

Jennifer Stanley, Principal Jason Black, Assistant Principal Leisa Clamp, Assistant Principal

## LAKE LIFE IS BEST AT LMES!

Presently, Lake Murray Elementary has close to 900 students in 3K-5th grade. The needs, backgrounds, and cultures of our campus are diverse, which is one of the many things we celebrate. Our families speak twenty different languages other than English, and we serve ten different conditions within our special education population. The school's culture is one that that embraces growth and continuous professional learning to best meet the needs of each individual child.

### 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 plays a key role in the education of our children; bringing parents, educators and community stakeholders together to improve Lake Murray Elementary.

Leah Fitts, parent elected
Jason Mulligan, parent elected
Laurin Search, parent elected
Ann Marie Sturkie, parent elect
Mary Lambert, teacher representative
Tricia Huff, teacher representative
Joanne Brady, community member
Kyle Lambert, community member
Bobby Locklier, community member
Jennifer Stanley, Principal/Ex-Officio
Jason Black, AssistantPrincipal/Ex-Officio
Leisa Clamp, Assistant Principal/Ex-Officio

### ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT INDICATORS

Lake Murray students are usually assessed using the SCReady and SCPASS, which align to the state academic standards. Due to the COVID-19, we did not proceed with state testing for grades 3rd-grades 5th. Therefore, this area is not completed.







LMES TEACHER OF THE YEAR, CARRIE CARROLL

WE DID IT! NATION BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL 2019

SUPPORT STAFF
MEMBER OF THE YEAR,
ANGIE PRINCE

### **OUR GOALS**

- Increase student achievement
- Develop self-directed student leaders
- Provide high-quality instruction that is rigorous and has real-world application
- Foster a community of collaboration
- Develop the use of Power Skills







# LMES IS A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL FOR 2019

On September 26, 2019 Lake Murray Elementary was recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education. The campus was noted as being an Exemplary High Performing School, reaching high scores on national and statewide standardized assessments. LMES was one of four schools in South Carolina and one of 362 schools in the nation to receive this honor. This was a testament to the hard work and dedication of the staff, students, and community.

### LMES IS RECOGNIZED AS A COMMON SENSE MEDIA SCHOOL

In January, LMES was recognized as a Common Sense Media School, with Mrs. Davis, our librarian, and Mrs. Rawl, our STEM teacher, being recognized as Common Sense Media Educators. We were awarded this distinction due to "LMES demonstrating its commitment to taking a whole-community approach to preparing its students to think critically and use technology responsibly to learn, create, and participate, while preparing them for the perils that exist in the online realm, such as plagiarism, loss of privacy, and cyberbullying. With the right support, kids can take ownership of their digital lives, engage with real issues, and change their communities for the better. The recognition acknowledges our school's commitment to creating a culture of digital citizenship." Common Sense is the leading independent nonprofit organization dedicated to helping kids thrive in a world of media and technology.

### OTHER HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE YEAR

<u>Family Reading Night:</u> The students celebrated their literacy life in the classroom with their parents.

**Red Ribbon Week**: During Red Ribbon Week, our school counselors and teachers talked to students about 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!

<u>Veteran's Day Assembly</u>: 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.

**Coats for Kids**: The students collected coats for children in our area who were in need.

<u>Kids Heart Challenge</u>: Lake Murray Elementary students raised \$12,396.30 for the American Heart Association during the Kids Heart Challenge event.

<u>Valentine Hearts:</u> The special education team sold Valentines with candy to raise money for Special Olympics.

<u>Student Conference Night</u>: 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. They also played Everyday Math games to illustrate how math can be FUN!

**Read Across America Day**: Students and staff dressed up as different book characters and shared their love of reading with one another.

<u>Adopt A Highway:</u> Staff members have supported an effort to keep Wise Ferry Road litter free.

<u>Mentor "First-Mates" Program</u>: Students were matched with community members and high school students who served as mentors to encourage our students in different areas.

