



MID-CAROLINA MIDDLE SCHOOL

2023-2024 SIC REPORT TO THE PARENTS



Dr. Paul T Dobyys
Principal

Katie Joiner
Assistant Principal

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Assistant Principal

Jared Jones
Curriculum Coordinator



Mid-Carolina Middle School, a rural school located on Highway US 76 in Newberry County, serves as a centralized location for middle school students feeding from three elementary schools in its attendance area for the School District of Newberry County. We are approximately thirty minutes from the Columbia area and 15 minutes from downtown Newberry. Mid-Carolina Middle School is composed of 515 students in grades 6 through 8, 70 faculty and staff members with 4 National Board Certified Staff.

Mission

To create a safe and engaging learning environment that challenges all scholars.

Vision

To empower our scholars to maintain a growth mindset as they face future challenges.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS:

- Redesignated National School to Watch
- AdvancED Accredited School
- 2023 Good SC Report Card Rating
- SC State Beta Award Winners
- Junior Scholars
- Academic Bowl Team State Runners Up in Academic Team State Championship
- Making Middle Grades Work
- 7 Mindsets School
- Live to Give-Community Service Projects:
 - Pomaria Food Bank
 - American Heart Association
 - Angel Tree
- Veterans Day Community Program of Recognition
- United Way
- Student Field Trip Scholarships
- Special Incentives:
 - Principal's Honor Roll
 - A-B Honor Roll
 - Academic Honorable Mention
- Archery Team Qualified for the State Archery Tournament
- Enrichment Celebration
- MCMS Rebels of the Month
- Teacher and Support Staff of the Month
- Praise a Rebel Student and Staff Recognition
- Positive Behavior Celebrations
- Rebel to Rebel Shout-out
- Students participated in the SDNC District Musical - The Wizard of Oz



2022-2023 Achievement Data

- SC Ready ELA
 - 62.8 % Meets or Exceeds
- SC Ready Math
 - 38.7% Meets or Exceeds
- SC Ready Science
 - 53.4% Meets or Exceeds
- Multilingual Learner
 - 50% Met Annual Progress

MCMS uses the team approach and the 7 Mindsets Social Emotional Learning to better facilitate learning and build positive relationships with students. You will find a caring and supportive faculty and staff who pride themselves on successful student achievement. We believe parents, students, community members, and educational staff must work together to best attain a quality education.



Student Programs at MCMS

WMCMS Student Morning News Show, Honors English I, Honors Algebra I, Accelerated 6th & 7th grade math and ELA, PLTW Classes, Whole School Enrichment, Band, Chorus, ESOL, Art, SAC (Student Advisory Council), Catch-up Café, After-school tutoring, READY Time, Read 180, School-wide Clubs, One Book One School, Job Shadowing, Academic Success Assemblies, Parent Institutes, 7 Mindsets, Birthday Recognitions, School-wide Live to Give/Community Service Projects, 7 Mindsets, Mentoring Groups, ROTC, and School-wide Recycling.



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Extracurricular Activities:

Beta Club, Color Guard, Marching Band, Be Great Academy, Project Lead the Way Club, Academic Bowl Team, Volleyball, Wrestling, Tennis, Golf, Cross Country, Lacrosse, Track and Field, Swimming, Football, Cheerleading, Basketball, Soccer, Softball, Archery Team, Baseball, and Soccer.



WHAT'S WORKING AT MCMS

- Teaming concept
- Interdisciplinary Units
- Organized binders for all students, agendas, and IDs
- Read 180 Class
- READY Time in the mornings
- Catch-up Café at lunch
- After School assistance provided by all teachers
- Continue to implement practices from the Making Middle Grades Work initiative
- Incorporate curriculum events that strengthen positive relationships between home and school
- Utilize communication tools: School website, Thrillshare, Parent Portal, monthly newsletter, Remind 101, Facebook
- OBOS (One Book, One School) school-wide literacy initiative
- Team Electronic Data Notebook
- Level One Discipline
- Teacher grade analysis for at-risk & subgroup students
- ELA & Math Unit Analysis
- Rotating schedule each semester
- Healthy Schools Program
- SIC goal setting
- Rebel Ambassadors
- The 7 Mindsets
- iReady
- Schoology Learning Platform with Google
- 1 to 1 technology
- Rise and Rise-UP curriculum for struggling students
- Translation of communication for Hispanic families
- Provided uniform school supplies for all students
- Vertical planning with feeder Elementary and High schools

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MCMS School Improvement Council

What is a School Improvement Council (SIC)?

Key Points:

- The School Improvement Council (SIC) serves as an advisory committee to a school's principal and faculty.
- Unlike PTAs and other voluntary school organizations, councils are mandated by law to exist in every public school in South Carolina.
- SICs play a key role in the education of our state's children, bringing together parents, educators and community stakeholders to work collectively to improve their local schools.

Key Functions:

- SICs work with the school to develop and implement a five-year school improvement plan (school renewal plan).
- SICs monitor and evaluate success in reaching the plan's goals and objectives.
- SICs write an annual report to parents about the progress of the plan.
- SICs assist the principal in writing the narrative for the School Report Card.
- SICs advise on the use of school incentive awards and provide assistance as requested by the principal.

2023-2024 MCMS SIC Goals:

- Goal 1: School Climate
 - We will increase parent and student participation in the Climate Survey, marketing to all stakeholders as "Your Opinion Matters. Making MCMS Better."
- Goal 2: Increase student success/achievement
 - We will use tier data from iReady assessments this year as our measurable data point of success and will create a reward and incentive program for varied levels of improvement.

For more information on MCMS or to learn how to get more involved with our school, visit the GET CONNECTED section on our website.

MCMS School Improvement Council 2023-2024

SIC Leadership

Candice Dixon- Chair
Jennifer Gilliam- Vice Chair
Mary Shepherd- Secretary

Parents

Erin Hamilton, Gretchen Haskett, Jed Thomas

Teachers

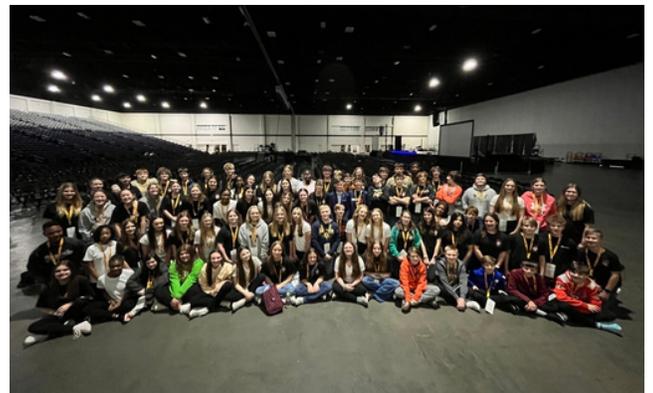
Lori Frampton, Lisa Richburg, Stacey Valentine

Community Members

Laura Clark, Jennifer Moore, Adam Teseniar

Ex-Officio Members

Dr. Paul Dobyns- Principal
Eric Thompson- Assistant Principal
Katie Joiner- Assistant Principal



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