

Mission Statement

Whitmire Community School, while providing a safe and nurturing environment and collaborating with families and the community, will prepare all of our students through academics, athletics, and extracurricular experiences to be productive, responsible, global citizens who engage in lifelong learning.

Wolverines

Committed to

Success



Dear Parents, Guardians, and Stakeholders,

The purpose of this summary report is to inform parents and community members of school performance for last school year and plans of progress for this school year. The school is accredited by Advanced Ed and as part of this accreditation, a five-year action plan, which is updated annually, was developed with help from stakeholders. If you have any questions or concerns about any information included in this report, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Allison K. Stribble

Principal

PTSO Officers

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2019-2020 S.I.C. Members

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WHITMIRE COMMUNITY SCHOOL 2020-2021 SCHOOL SUMMARY



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Whitmire Community School, embedded in the Sumter National Forest of northern Newberry County, promotes reading and writing, implements STEM education and problem-based learning, and integrates technology into instruction. WCS is an accredited institution according to the AdvancED Standards for Quality and offers a unique learning environment as a PreK-12 facility. Whitmire Community School is a Title 1 school. Many programs, initiatives, employees, and resources are supported by Title 1 Funds. The classroom instruction at WCS is based on South Carolina state standards with a focus on reading and writing instruction. Reading and writing instruction is integrated across all grade levels and content areas with a shared responsibility of all students, parents, and teachers. WCS promotes reading and writing throughout the school and community with programs and opportunities such as Family Message Journals, Principal's Reading Award, Writer of the Month, Reading with the Wolverines, and Read Across America Week. The parents and community support the school by attending parent-teacher conferences, Open House, extra-curricular activities, Success Assemblies, and Breakfast with Buds. Data is analyzed to set goals and decide on the best instructional strategies for students based on individual strengths and weaknesses. Goal-setting is based on data from the following: classroom assessments, computer software, MAP, and state standardized assessments. A daily period for enrichment, remediation, and GT is scheduled for grades 3-8 along with Language/Math Lab classes for 9-12 students. The PLTW unit, Automation and Robotics, was integrated during the middle school enrichment to provide problem-based learning. Professional development continues to focus on literacy, best practices and instructional technology. Teachers take advantage of professional growth opportunities provided by the district, conferences, and course programs. Teachers are instructional leaders by sharing best practices and technology strategies with their peers. Staff members are required to meet technology requirements for professional development and recertification. The WCS Nature Trail provides additional learning opportunities for the students to experience the outdoors. The goal of the trail is to provide learning opportunities in all grade levels and content areas in the great outdoors.

Community Involvement:

Parent Teacher Student Organization, School Improvement Council, Literacy Night, Veteran's Day Program, Palmetto Pride, Relay for Life, United Way, Back Pack Program, March of Dimes, American Heart Association, Breakfast with Buds, Grits with Gals, Lunch Buddy Program, Partnership with Newberry Sheriff's Department, Good News Club, and various church and community volunteers.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES

Academic Banquet, College Signing Night, Terrific Kid Lunches, Service Learning, Dental Presentations, FOSS Hands-on Science Kits, Reading Intervention, HSTW, 4-year-old program, Enrichment Classes for Grades 3-8, Reading with the Wolverines, GT, Career Fair, Job Shadowing, Fall Fitness Challenge, Success Assemblies, Walk at School Day, Prom Promise, Nature Trail, Archery, Math Olympiad, Talent Show, PAW (Advisor/Advisee), Reading with the Gamecocks, PAW Champs, Star Lab, Project Lead the Way, Project Based Learning, One Book One School, and Healthy Hearts

Due to the pandemic in March of 2020 our students began learning from home. We had to be creative with EOY parades and graduation ceremonies. Students will resume state testing in May 2021.

There was no State Testing data for 2020 due to the Pandemic. Testing will resume in 2021.



WCS Graduation 2020 during the Pandemic



Kindergarten students enjoyed a graduation parade in 2020.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Sarah Lee and Chris Wofford were elected Teachers of the Year and Lora Franklin was elected Support Staff of the Year

Faculty and Staff Professional Development: SC Reading Conference, Education Business Summit, STEM, PLTW, Early Childhood Convention, SCASA i3 Conference, Project Based Learning through Wake Forrest University

30 Teachers with advanced degrees, 6 teachers with National Board Certification

AdvancED Accredited School

Title 1 School

Band Accomplishments

Our marching band placed eighth at the South Carolina Upper State Marching Semi-Finals to qualify for State Finals. The band finished 15th out of 16 bands, marking the 22nd time in 25 years the band has performed in the SCBDA State Marching Band Finals.

Athletic Accomplishments

All-State: Football- Chandler Crumley, Andrew Felker, Matthew Prather, Wrestling- Chandler Crumley and Dawson Davis

All-Region: Volleyball- Jordyn Brooks, Football- Andrew Felker, Logan Ricks, Matthew Prather, Jihad Fisher, Dawson Davis, Jaquan Tindell-White, Region Player of the Year for football- Chandler Crumley, Basketball- Raegan Kendrick and Nate Stanley

Region Coaches of the Year: Football- Charlie Jenkins

Academic All-State/All-Region: - Andrew Felker, Caleb Bowers, Wyatt Crase, Matthew Prather, Harleigh McLaren, Jordyn Brooks, Imani Hopkins, Alana Rice, Barrett Martin, Grayson Brock, Keri Lawson, Alexis Sanders, Mikhail Moss-Jenkins, Hanna Wagner, Ashley Felker, Dawson Davis, Gabe Gehlken, Treyton White, Samantha Hood, Ashelyn King, Dalton Gambrell, Casey Stevens, Caleb Rueter, Leanna Eison, Chandler Crumley, Brooklyn Gagnon, Nicolas Avila