

## 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

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### PTSO Officers

President – Kayla Alexander

VP – Gina Berrios

Secretary/Treasurer: Donya Jenkins

### 2023-2024 S.I.C. Members

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## WHITMIRE COMMUNITY SCHOOL 2023-2024 SIC REPORT TO THE



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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 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, iReady, and state standardized assessments. A daily period for enrichment, remediation, and GT is scheduled for grades 3-8. 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, Relay for Life, United Way, Back Pack Program, March of Dimes, American Heart Association, Partnership with Newberry Sheriff's Department, Main Street Store Window Decorations, Jaycee's, and various church and community volunteers.

## INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES

Academic Banquet, College Signing Night, Terrific Kid Lunches, Service Learning, Dental Presentations, New 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, Field Day, Prom Promise, Nature Trail, Talent Show, PAW (Advisor/Advisee), Project Lead the Way, Project Based Learning, One Book One School, and Healthy Hearts.

Link to 2023 Report Card is below:

<https://screportcards.com/>

The charts below represent the percentage of students that scored proficient on state testing.

Grade Level	ELA 2023	Math 2023	Science 2023
3rd	47.1%	76.5%	n/a
4th	52.9%	64.7%	50%
5th	48.4%	38.7%	n/a
6th	62.2%	54.1%	67.6%
7th	48.7%	28.2%	n/a
8th	64.9%	40.5%	n/a

English II EOC	66.7%
Algebra 1 EOC	31.1%
Biology EOC	26.9%
US History EOC	49.1%

**Graduation rate for WCS in 2023 was 92.9%. College or Career Ready WCS students in 2023 was 61.9%.**

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Kelly Montgomery and Rebecca Corey were elected Teachers of the Year and Chasity Hamilton was elected Support Staff of the Year.

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

Our Junior and Senior Beta Clubs placed in several categories at the State Convention. We also sent two students to Girls State, four students to Boys State, and one student to RYLA.

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

AdvancED Accredited School

Title 1 School

### Athletic Accomplishments

Class A All-State: Baseball - Blake Stribble; Softball - Nyla Hill

Region 2-A All-Region: Volleyball - McKenzie Clark, Bonnie Evans; Girls Basketball - McKenzie Clark, Nyla Hill; Boys Basketball - Ross Williams; Wrestling - Kaleb Evans, Zayne Gibson; Baseball - Trent Balckwell, Will Livingston, Blake Stribble; Softball - Kenleigh Epps, Isabella Gilliam, Olivia Martin; Softball Player of the Year - Nyla Hill; Softball Coach of the Year - Andrew Campbell

Region 3-A All-Region: Football - Trey Brewer, Dierrius Dawkins, Keiston Sanders, Dylan Satterwhite, Kay-shaun Schumpert, Blake Stribble

Academic All-Region/All-State: Olivia Martin, Janiyah Epps, Amelia Bruyere, Emilee Tobias, Dylan Satterwhite, Daniel Clark, Kadence Guinn, Jayda King, Caleb Jolly, Jacob Dickerson, Ross Williams, Wyatt Harsha, Bonnie Evans, Isabella Gilliam, Dierrius Dawkins, Hayleigh Deputy, Ricky Hamilton, Emma Moore, Aidan Davis, Ryan Braun, Mary Kaitlin Lominick, Makaylee Nelson, Peyton Jones, Treveis Cromer, Kayshaun Schumpert, Blake Stribble, Aiden Vicars, Brookellyn Arrowood, Makenna Moss-Jenkins, Chris Mathis