### **Student Activities & Opportunities**

(Average student enrollment: 390)

- 100 Book Challenge Program
- Bow Tie Club
- Warrior Honors Club
- Chick-fil-A Core Essentials Program
- Fine Arts Night
- Hour of Code
- International Read Aloud Day
- International Literacy Day
- Jack and Jilly Reading Curriculum
- Jump into Kindergarten
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Jet Toy Competition
- Mr. Bills Bird House Building Project
- PBIS Celebrations
- Recycling Program
- Safe Kids Upstate Initiatives
- School Gardens
- Special Olympics
- Student Council
- Weekend Backpack Program

### **Community Outreach**

- Apple Festival Participation
- Agriculture Science Night
- Book Drive
- Bookmobile
- Career Day
- Community Food Drive
- Dot's Kitchen Service
- Fine Arts Night
- Grandparent Appreciation Breakfast
- Literacy Night
- School Supply Drive
- Singing at Tribble Center and Assisted Living Center
- Reading to Local Child Development Centers
- Veterans Day Celebration
- Westminster Christmas Parade
- Watermelon Welcome

## School Improvement Members

Principal: Sherrie McAllister Assistant Principal: Paige Lowe Jessa McClain Jason Duncan Angela Cater Lynn Lyles

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# Westminster Elementary School





Report to the People 2020-21

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Westminster Elementary School is to partner with families to develop responsible, productive citizens who are life-long learners.

## **Our Beliefs**

- A safe, nurturing environment where respect and dignity are valued, promotes student learning and confidence.
- Education is a life-long process
- Education must be relevant to the needs of the changing technological society in which it operates.
- Education must address the physical, cultural, social, emotional, and cognitive needs of each student.
- Education must provide the opportunity for students to think critically, creatively and effectively problem solve, and act responsibly.
- Each student is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional, and intellectual needs.
- Students learn best when they are authentically engaged in the learning process.
- Valuing parent and guardian support as part of the student's learning process.

#### **Accomplished Goals**

- Increased technology one-to-one Chromebooks Kindergarten-Fifth Grades
- Maintaining additional physical activity time
- Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark testing for grades k-3
- Garden to classroom
- Staff development in the Read to Succeed Initiatives
- Continued use of MAP and Fast Bridge to drive instruction
- Jack and Jilly Reading Curriculum used in Kindergarten and First Grades
- Lucy Calkin used in 2nd grade
- Continued emphasis on small group instruction in Math and Reading
- Resource Officer on campus daily
- Use of Google Drive
- MAP Skills
- MAP Fluency
- TRIBE TIME Daily focused instruction

#### **School Environment**

- Virtual Parent opportunities
- PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Support) Quarterly celebrations, data meetings, school-wide training, Tier 2 Team (CICO)

#### **Home to School Connection**

- Increased social media presence on Website, Facebook, Twitter, and School Messenger to communicate and celebrate
- Newsletters are used weekly for teachers to communicate with families and quarterly for schoolwide communication and celebrations
- Reading books sent home with each child 3 times this school year to grow home libraries
- Positive Office Referrals for students and teachers

## 2016-2021 Strategic Targets and Action Items

## **Increased Rigor**

- Full Implementation of Jack and Jilly in Kindergarten and First Grades
- Full Implementation of Lucy Calkins in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
- Inclusion focus for special education students
- Tribe Time to target instruction based on students' needs
- Small group instruction based on data from Fast Bridge and MAP

## **Student Engagement**

- Authentic experiences in reading and writing
- Increased physical activity time
- Garden to classroom
- Conferencing Implementation
- Distance Learning Training for faculty

## **School Climate/Teacher Quality**

- Collaborative Planning
- 'WarriorStrong' Initiative
- Host and promote virtual community wide events
- Targeted teacher observations linked to professional growth goals
- Use in-house PD model to implement district and school initiatives
- Teacher Music Video for Students
- WES Student-led News weekly production