

School Achievements

Two consecutive years of Average School Rating on State School Report Card.

Two National Board-certified teachers; three enrolled in the cohort for National Board Certification.

State Assessment gains in 4th and 5th grades for both reading and math.

Teacher recognition for Annotated Lesson Planning by both OCSd and National Institute for Excellence in Teaching.

School highlighted for ongoing instructional improvement practices by NIET SCPLN.

Over 50% of all students in Kindergarten thru Fifth Grades made progress growth in reading and math on iReady Spring Assessment.



Whittaker Elementary's SIC Members

Elected Members

*Chair: Mrs. Taisha Brown, Teacher
Vice Chair: Ms. Valerie Waymer, Parent
Mrs. Andrea Morrison-Wilson, Teacher
Mrs. Joi Wade, Parent
Ms. Shakeitha Haynes, Parent*

Appointed Members

*Mr. Joe Mason, Community Member
Mrs. Rebecca Harley, Community Member
Mr. Sean Jones, Community Member*

Ex-Officio Members

*Mrs. Janet Argrow, Parent Liaison
Mrs. Brenda Gadson, Teacher Assistant
Mrs. Denise Simpson, Assistant Principal
Principal: Dr. Teresa C. Jennings, Principal
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Purpose of the Report

"This Report is issued by the Whittaker's School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year."

Whittaker Elementary School

Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2022-2023



"Impacting the Future...One Student at a Time"

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The mission of Whittaker Elementary School is to serve as a catalyst of innovation and excellence to ensure all students discover their person, purpose, and platform through high-quality educational experience.

SIC Annual Goals

Whittaker Elementary School is a student - focused Pre-Kindergarten thru Fifth Grade Elementary School where learning comes alive. It is a school where the leadership team, parents, teachers, and students learn side-by-side.

At Whittaker Elementary School we make data-driven decisions that benefit students and work vigorously to ensure that all our students receive a high-quality education.

iReady data is used to progress monitor individual student growth throughout the school and this data along with SCReady, SCPASS, District Benchmarks, and teacher assessments drive our instruction, goals, and financial budgets to ensure that all resources are directed at improving student learning outcomes.

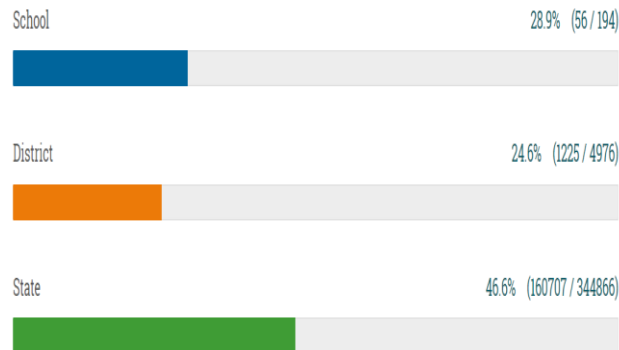
Our targeted goals for the 2022-2023 school year are:

- Improve achievement through student learning in reading, math, writing, and science.
- Ensure that primary grades (Pre-K thru second are supported with personnel and resources to maximize early learning outcomes.
- Provide a safe school environment that is conducive to teaching and learning.

Achievement Data

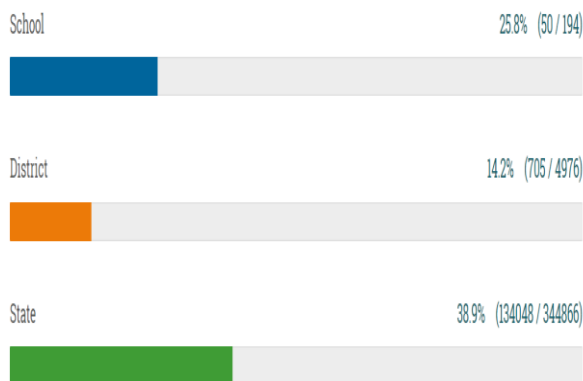
SC Ready English Language Arts and Mathematics

English Language Arts (Reading and Writing) - Percent Met or Exceeding



State Report Card Reading Data

Mathematics - Percent Met or Exceeding



State Report Card Math Data

"For more information, you may view Whittaker's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov."

School Highlighted Programs & Clubs

R.O.A.R PBIS Schoolwide
WES Elementary Band
WES Basketball League
WES Cheerleading Squad
Just Say No – Drill Team
Character Education Program
National Junior Beta Club
Student Advocacy Program



The School Improvement Council is open to all WES parents and stakeholders and is a way for community members to voice their opinions and concerns about the day-to-day operations of our school and to discuss ways to help our school to continue to improve. Our goal is to work closely with the communities to make sure we are best serving our students and the county that we represent. All SIC meetings are announced each month and information posted on our social media platforms. Please join us and have your voice heard!