

## School Organization and Contact

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS:

**Dr. Timothy Blackwell - Principal**  
**Ms. Barbara Tiller - Chair**  
**Ms. Christina Freeman - Vice Chair**  
**Ms. Courtney Kennedy – Secretary**

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

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### ABOUT THIS REPORT.....

The School Improvement Council of Arden Elementary School has prepared the annual school report for you and the community. The report reviews the progress and growth made last year, reviews last year's test scores, and describes plans for improvement this year. Enclosed you will find an account of the progress we made toward accomplishing targeted goals in 2013-2014, as well as, the desired results for student learning that have been made a priority for this school year. If you have any questions about the information summarized here, please contact Dr. Timothy Blackwell, Principal, or Ms. Barbara Tiller, SIC Chair at (803) 735-3400.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

### PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES:

Safety Patrol  
Curriculum Family Nights  
Second Grade Swimming Lessons  
Principal's Writing Wall of Fame  
Arden Elementary Literacy Night  
WAES News Show  
DARE Program  
Reading Matters  
AVID Elementary Program (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>)  
Student Laptop Program (2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>)  
Comprehensive Remediation Program  
Barron Academy After-school Program  
ESOL Program

### COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS:

Columbia College Education Department  
Foster Grandparents Program  
Richland County Library-North Main Branch  
College Place Community Council  
Junior League of Columbia  
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority (Gamma Nu)

### MISSION STATEMENT:

We are Richland One, a leader in transforming lives through education, empowering all students to achieve their potential and dreams.



## Arden Elementary School



### 2018-2019 SIC ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

1300 Ashley Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29203  
Office (803) 735-3400  
School Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Arden's mission is to serve our students, and support our parents with the help of our community members as we all strive to make "Arden a Great Place to Learn!" Our school's administration, teachers and staff work collaboratively to improve the overall quality of the learning experiences for all students.

**One Community...**

**"Growing and Learning Together"**

## School Highlights & Awards

**HealthierUS School Challenge Award**  
2017 Gold Recipient

### SCHOOL AWARDS & GRANTS

Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program  
Eau Claire Promise Zone Prince Book Club Award  
METEOR Classroom Grant/5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Bethlehem Baptist Church  
Second Calvary Baptist Church  
Saks of Luv Weekend Food Program

## School Demographics

### Total Enrollment

<8% White  
72% African American  
19% Hispanic  
<1% Other

17 Homeroom Teachers  
**(4 National Board Certified)**

## Test Information

### Students who met or exceeded expectations

#### SC Ready ELA

Grade	2017-18
3 <sup>rd</sup>	27.3%
4 <sup>th</sup>	23.6%
5 <sup>th</sup>	20.4%

#### SC Ready Math

Grade	2017-18
3 <sup>rd</sup>	40.9%
4 <sup>th</sup>	27.3%
5 <sup>th</sup>	18.3%

### TECHNOLOGY

All rooms have .....

Smartboards in Classrooms  
IPAD's (K-1)  
Laptops (2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>)



## 2018-2019 School Goals

- ✓ Support teachers using a tiered level of support in the areas of need (**Teacher Quality**)
- ✓ Support students in collaboration with parents using the multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) model (**School Climate**)
- ✓ Laser-like focus on teaching and learning (i.e. student data, classroom observations and other data points) (**Student Achievement**)
- ✓ Increase the proficiency level of students in all academic areas (**Student Achievement**)

## 2018-2019 AVID Goals

- ✓ To create, maintain, and enhance a school environment that is child-centered, safe, and promotes healthy behaviors, and
- ✓ Empower each child to learn, grow and develop a sense of citizenship in the community, both within and beyond the walls of our school.

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