

School Organization and Contact

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Dr. Peggie Grant - Principal
Ms. Barbara Tiller - Chair
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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ms. Rose Davis
Ms. Dale McLendon
Mr. Tyrone Morgan
Mr. Michael Clifton

ABOUT THIS REPORT.....

Arden's SIC mission is to serve as a school advisory council that involves parents and community members who will support and assist the school's administration and teachers in their innovative efforts to improve the over-all quality of the school for students. The School Improvement Council meets monthly. Meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 3:30 p.m. Parents are welcome at all meetings. However, only members vote.



Extra-Curricular Activities

Students are inspired by author/illustrator Floyd Cooper.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES:

After-School Chorus
WAES News Broadcast
Art Club

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

ESOL – English for Speakers of Other Languages
AAP – Advanced Academic Placement
Special Needs/Special Education

MISSION STATEMENT:

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Arden Elementary



2015-2016 SIC ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS



Volunteers from Principal of the Day program read to students.

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School Hours: 7:15 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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School Highlights & Awards

- Students in grades 2-5 have adult advocates.
- Grade level monthly newsletters sent to parents.

- Students in grades Pre-K – 2 have the opportunity to participate in United Way/MRC Tutorial Reading Program, Reading Matters, and work with tutors from faith-based organizations.
- Sixth year of implementation of the Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS).
- Third place in the district’s MLK food drive.

SCHOOL AWARDS

- 1ST and 2nd Place winners for Richland County Arbor Day Contest Visual Literacy Award
- 1st and 3rd place winners in 2015 Richland County-wide Columbia Fire Prevention Award
- 2nd place winner in 2015 Statewide School Bus Safety Honorable Mention in the Statewide Read across South Carolina contest

School Demographics

Total Enrollment 300
 78.7% African American
 19.0% Hispanic
 2% White
 7% Other

27 Certified Teachers
 (3 National Board Certified)

Test Information

Students who met or exceeded their projected RTI.

ELA MAP Test Results

Grade	2015-16
3 rd	36%
4 th	59%
5 th	61%

Math MAP Test Results

Grade	2015-16
3 rd	60%
4 th	61%
5 th	58%



TECHNOLOGY

Classroom computers
 SMART Board in each classroom
 iPad in each classroom
 Class set of iPads available
 Class set of Smart Response available
 Class set of Neo Alpha Smart available
 Teleconference equipment
 Success Maker computer lab

MAJOR GRANTS RECEIVED

USDA Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Grant 6th year

Goals for Next Year

Goal One: Increase parental involvement.

DLE laptops provided to students in grades three-five to use both at school and at home to complete assignments.

Teachers received laptops and iPads for professional use and a cart of twenty laptops is available in the media center for classroom use.

A class set of Smart Response and Neo Alpha Response are available for students’ use.

Students use the Success Maker Computer lab to increase student achievement in math and reading.

Each classroom is equipped with a SMART Board to integrate technology into instruction.

- **Goal Two: Increase students’ writing skills by 3%**

To use Empowering Writers with fidelity and Reading works to teach writing skills.

District’s Bench Mark will be used to assess student’s writing skills.

- **Goal Three: To improve academic performance in Science by 3%**

Use of MacMillian McGraw-Hill Science Text book as the science curriculum.

Use of the Science Foss Kits, Project-Based Learning, and Inquiry Based instruction to enhance student’s learning.

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