The School Improvement Council (SIC) of Mill Creek Elementary School presents the 2023 - 2024 Annual Report. This report reviews the previous year's progress and growth, the previous year's test scores, and describes plans for improvement for the current year. Enclosed, you will find targeted goals 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 Mr. Whack at (803) 783-5583.

## **School Organization and Contacts**

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Principal: Eddie Whack

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PTO President: Katrina Lewis

The Purpose of this report is to govern the Mill Creek Elementary School Improvement Council (SIC) in accordance with South Carolina law. Also, the council shares information on the school's progress in reaching various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

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## The Mill Creek Elementary School Mission

is to transform lives by closing the achievement gap and preparing all students for college and career readiness through empowering them to achieve their potential and dreams.

> Our Vision is committed to: Technology and Teaching life skills

Equitable learning Environment

Achieving excellence

Motivating students and staff

Mastering state standards

Cultivating responsible Citizens and Parent & Community involvement.

#### AVID School

A national program, by teaching and reinforcing academic behaviors and higher-level thinking at a young age. Elementary students develop the academic habits they will need to be successful in middle school, high school, and college in an age-appropriate and challenging way. Children learn about organization, study skills, communication, and self-advocacy. AVID Elementary students take structured notes, ask and answer higher-level thinking questions that go beyond routine answers.

### Principal

Eddie J. Whack

Assistant Principal Shawn Hall

**Teacher of the Year Elect 2024-2025**Ashley Burgess

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# Mill Creek Elementary School



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## **SIC Improvement Goals**

# **Goal 1: : Improve Student Achievement and Growth**

By the spring of 2023-24 school year, 75% of all students at Mill Creek will meet their STAR growth goal (SGP) in ELA and Math as measured by Reading Renaissance on the STAR Growth Report.

### **Goal 2 Decrease Chronic Absenteeism**

By the end of the school year 2023-2024, the number of chronic absenteeism students will reduce by 10% as measured by the chronic absenteeism report.

# **Goal 3: Increase Parent/Community Involvement**

By the end of the school year 2023-2024, the number of parents involved in school activities will increase by 10% as measured by the school sign in sheets.

### S.C. College and Career Ready Assessment

SC Ready	ELA (Meet and Exceed)	
Grade	Mill Creek	
3	34	
4	58.6	
5	29.1	
SC Ready	Math (Meet and Exceed)	
SC Ready Grade	Math (Meet and Exceed) Mill Creek	
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Grade	Mill Creek	

### School Demographics>

325 Students in grades 4K – 5<sup>th</sup>

90% African American 3% Hispanic/Latino

3% White 4% Other

53% Male 47% Female

### School Programs>

- -CRP Afterschool Program for grades 3-5
- -100% of students receive an advocate.
- -Mentoring program for students with social emotional and drama issues.
- -South Carolina Youth Advocacy Program (SC-YAP)
- -Dream Girls Female mentoring program

-Good News Club

#### Test Information>

- -The SC Ready Reading Writing, and Mathematics Test was last administered in Sping 2023 to students in grades 3-5.
- -Students in Grades 4 also took the SC PASS Test for Science.
- -Students in Pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade are also assessed throughout the year to determine mastery of curriculum standards and to guide instruction. (MyIGDIS)
- -The STAR data below represents the universal screening test provided during the winter. Below is the most recent completed data to date. Students are currently taking the Spring STAR.

#### Goal Stratigies>

- -Analyze school STAR Test data and the previous SC Ready and PASS Scores to set school wide goals.
- -Increase incentives throughout the school year to motivate students to attend school and reduce absences.
- -Monitor the chronic absenteeism report through the Attendance Team, SIC Committee, and through meetings with the Social Worker and Principal.
- -Implement parent engagement activites to include Open House, SIC, PTO, PAC, Awards Day, Parent/Teacher Conference, Literacy/Math Strategy Night, Music and Strings Performances, Promotion Cerimonies, and other engagement activities.

- Highlights >>>
- -MCES won the district trophy for MyLexia in September and Dreambox for March.
- -Provide incentives to grades K-5 for meeting the school wide goal on the star test, Dreambox, Pathblazer and MyLexia.
- -Implementation of parent and community communication through the student monthly calendar, marquee, Class DoJO, school messenger, and quarterly school newsletter.
- -Increase STAR Reading to 80% and Math to 75% during the winter progress monitoring implementation of STAR.
- -School rank number 5 on STAR growth in Math of 28 schools.

# STAR Math At/Above Benchmark (Winter) All – 56.3% Kindergarten 48%

Kindergarten	48%
1st Grade	67.2%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	56%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	64.1%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	53.8%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	43.8

STAR Reading At/Above Benchmark (Winter) All-49.3%

Kindergarten 60% 1<sup>st</sup> Grade 52.5% 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade 46% 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade 41% 4<sup>th</sup> Grade 46.2% 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 46.9%