

## School Organization and Contact

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS:

**Dr. Charles A. Delaughter - Principal**  
**Mrs. Sharmaine White - Chair**  
**Mrs. Ellen Burks – Secretary/Treasurer**

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Robert Burks	Ms. Calli Collins
Ms. Karen Shiver	Dr. Charles A. Delaughter
Ms. Francene Bee	Ms. Alice Dubose
Mrs. Nikkia Nelson	

### ABOUT THIS REPORT.....

The purpose of this SIC Annual Report is to inform parents and other stakeholders of progress Mill Creek has made toward achieving school goals. Most recent test data reveals academic strengths in the English/Language Arts and Social Studies content areas. In contrast, Science appears as an area in need of additional supports to ensure student success. Mill Creek Elementary has added business sponsored, off campus camps to support learning in classrooms. In addition, a range of special programs are available to meet specific learning needs of students. The principal, Dr. Charles A. Delaughter is available to respond to questions and comments about information contained in this report. The school office number is 803-783-5553.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

### CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES:

Math and Science Day Camp with Westinghouse  
One Week Math and Science Day Camp with McIntyre Joint  
National Guard  
Croaker Store  
Annual Croaker Day  
Sweet Heart Pageant/Jump Rope for Heart  
St. Jude's Intramural Basketball Game

### SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

After-School Tutoring  
Boys and Girls Club of America After-School Care  
Advanced Academic Classes  
4K Child Development Education Pilot Project (CDEPP)  
Special Needs Classes  
Foster Grandparent Program  
Strings Fine Arts Program  
Together We Can Read

### MISSION STATEMENT:

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



## Mill Creek Elementary School



### 2014-2015 SIC ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

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The mission of Richland One and Mill Creek Elementary School is to prepare every student to be a successful, contributing citizen in a global society by providing an effective and high quality education.

## School Highlights & Awards

Mill Creek Elementary School enjoys support from a diverse group of community partners. As an example, Westinghouse provides students in fifth grade with field experiences in science and conservation. Similarly, McIntyre Joint National Guard conducts laboratory sessions in Math and Science for fifth grade students. CiCi's Pizza as well as Chick-Fil-A collaborate with the school to host family nights. These gatherings are platforms for fostering connectedness among stakeholders and generating funds to support school improvement efforts. A point of special pride for Mill Creek Elementary is a tradition of fostering a large number of Duke Tip Scholars. This year eighteen (18) pupils were honored as Duke Tip Scholars.

### SCHOOL AWARDS

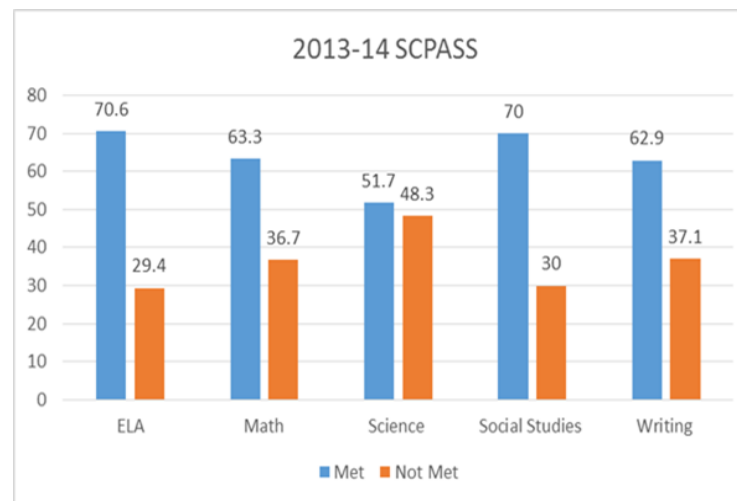
SC Palmetto Silver Award

## School Demographics

A total of 433 students are enrolled in Mill Creek Elementary School. Of this total, 87% are African American, 2% Hispanic/Latino, 3% are descended from two or more races and 8% are white. Nineteen teachers have homerooms while two special needs teachers support students with specific learning needs. Support staff include an additional administrator, Curriculum Resource Teacher, Lead Reading Teacher, Lead Math Teacher, Gifted and Talented Teacher, Spanish Teacher, Media Specialist and Guidance Counselor. A full compliment of Related Arts Teachers contribute to student mastery of the regular curriculum.

## Test Information

Each year, students in grades three through five take end of year assessments to measure growth in English/Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies. Most recent test data indicate that strengths are in the areas of English/Language Arts and Social Studies. In contrast, Science is a challenge area for students at Mill Creek Elementary School.



### MAJOR GRANTS RECEIVED

Project Read Literacy Grant  
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Grant

Richland One School district does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, handicap, sex, age, lineage or national origin in its programs or activities.

## Technology

Students have access to a broad range of technological devices at Mill Creek Elementary School. First, each classroom has a white board that students and teachers use to make learning interactive. Second, a computer lab is available for classrooms to access SuccessMaker software. With SuccessMaker, students practice skills that were introduced by classroom teachers. Third, children have access to online resources through desk top computers in classrooms as well as the Media Center. Fourth, Mill Creek Elementary has a class set of iPods to enhance interactive, engaging learning. Fifth, Mill Creek has the technology for conducting video conferences with students at other schools as well as professionals in specific fields of study. Finally, the PTO at Mill Creek very generously donated four laptops to support instruction.

## Goals for Next Year

Mill Creek Elementary has established three overarching goals for the school year, 2015 – 2016. First, the school community will support students with meeting growth targets in Reading, Math, Science, and Social Studies as outlined in the Mill Creek School Renewal Plan. Improved literacy across the curriculum is a top priority. Second, Mill Creek Elementary will expand extracurricular activities including clubs and service learning as a strategy for advancing relevance of learning as well as student engagement. Third, Mill Creek Elementary faculty and staff will work diligently to strengthen ties with faith based and business partners toward the goal of continued school improvement.