## **2020-2021 SIC Members**

#### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL OFFICERS:

Shayne Kinloch – Chair

#### COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Parent representative: Domynica Mckie

Community representatives: Brandolyn Pinkston, Keith Kennedy

Teachers: Dr. Melanie Rish, Michelle Johnson

Ex oficio members: Dr. Monica Adams, Principal, John Allen, Assistant Principal, Ashton Jones, Assistant Principal

#### ABOUT THIS REPORT:

The School Improvement Council (SIC) of Carver-Lyon Elementary School has prepared this annual school report for parents and the community. The report reviews the progress and growth made last year, reviews last year's test scores, and describes plans for improvements this year along with other information about programs, activities, awards, and recognitions for students and teachers. The report will also provide general information about the SIC's goals and progress made to achieve improvements. If you have any questions about the information summarized here, please contact Mrs. Shayne Kinloch, our SIC Chair person at (803) 343-2900.

# **Extra-Curricular and Community Activities**

Community involvement includes: PTO, Business Partners, Black History Month Festivities, 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School Festivities, CareerFairs, Real Men Read, March of Dimes, and Columbia Links Reading Initiative.

As part of the school's wellness initiatives: Carver-Lyon supported many PRISMA Health initiatives, March of Dimes, and also designs their school field day around healthful activities.

Student Clubs and activities include: Blossoms, Carver-Lyon News Crew, and the Bucket Music Club.

Special programs include: Richland One Language Immersion including Spanish, French, and Mandarin Chinese instruction, Full-Day Child Development Classes, Strings, CRP-After School Tutoring Program, Language Immersion After SchoolTutoring Program, DARE, and a dedicated Parentand Family Engagement Specialist.

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



## Carver-Lyon Elementary School

## Home of the Richland One Language Immersion Program



### 2021-2022 Report to Parents

Our school is proudly located in the historic Waverly Area of Columbia, SC!

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The School Improvement Council would like to express its thanks and appreciation to all of Carver-Lyon's teachers, administrators, and staff for all of their hard work and dedication during the 2021-2022 school year. We also want to recognize and thank all of the parents, who are a key part of Carver-Lyon's success.

Thanks to all, and keep up the good work!

#### **School Highlights and Awards**

Highlights and Programs: Spanish, French, and Mandarin Chinese Language Immersion Program (Pre-K – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades), faith-based and community partnerships. YMCA Aftercare, Field Day, Blossoms, School News Show, Bucket Drumming.

Technological Advancements: One-to-One Digital Learning Environment, DLE (laptops) for grades K-5, iPads for grades PreK, all classrooms have SMARTBoards,

Teacher Highlights: Three National Board Certified Teachers, Degrees range from BAs to PhDs, 100% of Teachers Highly Qualified, 76 % of teachers have advanced degrees, over 21 countries represented in the Language Immersion Program, 2021-2022 Classified Employee of the Year Gwendolyn Hicks and 2021-2022 Teacher of the Year – Dr. Melany Rish who also qualified as the 2021-2022 District Teacher of the Year Finalist.

#### **Language Immersion Program**

To prepare our language immersion students to be leaders and global citizens, they will be immersed in a foreign language using a biliteracy model. Students will learn to read, write, speak and understand in both English and a second language by spending 50% of their instructional day immersed in a foreign language. (We currently offer a choice of Spanish, French, or Mandarin Chinese.) A balanced literacy approach will be taught through developmentally appropriate content driven thematic units in both English and a foreign language. Connections between language and everyday lives will guide students to see themselves as not only bilingual communicators, but also as leaders and global citizens.

#### **Academic Information**

According to the 2020 SC Annual School Report Card, the percentage of students who scored "Met" or "Exemplary" in PASS testing was: 38.6% in science. Students who scored "Met" or "Exemplary" in SC READY ELA and SC READY Math were: 28.5% in ELA and 26.8% in Math. SC School Report Card shows our Student Progress as meeting the criteria to ensure all students meet the Profile of the SC Graduate. For more information, you may view Carver-Lyon's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school yearonline at www.ed.sc.gov.

The faculty continued to focus on curriculum instruction using the model of Leader In Me and AVID. STAR Reading and STAR Math are used as the Universal Screener that is given to students throughout the year. Students are also assessed in reading with Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark Assessment Systems. LLI, Dreambox, and Reading A-Z are used for Interventions.

Carver-Lyon maintained the goal of 100% of our valued teachers being designated as Highly Qualified in the appropriate content and level as defined by the No Child Left Behind Act.

#### **Goals and Improvements**

At Carver-Lyon, we strive to be a school where caring and knowledgeable adults teach children to love learning, and to become honorable and responsible citizens and leaders of both the local and global communities. As such, the SIC has adopted the following vision and mission going forward: At Carver-Lyon, our SIC seeks to nurture and educate the whole child by supporting their mental, social, physical, academic, and esteem health within an equitable environment.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Carver-Lyon's School Improvement Plan were not able to focus on initiatives during the 2020-2021 academic year, however we plan to focus on the following initiatives in the upcoming school year:

- To implement student programs including student clubs and curriculum nights.
- To boost parent and community engagement.
- To foster more positive Parent-Teacher-Administration relations.
- To increase SC Ready Reading and Math scores by 10%.
- To resume Parent Lunch & Listen Engagements
- To create a relationship with The Girl Scouts and male mentors to implement skills-building and morale programs for our students.
- To sponsor a Summer Learning and Living event designed to provide parents with Summertime activities and needed services for their students.

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.