

## School Achievements

*Cassidy McNeal, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, was crowned School Spelling Bee Champion.*

*Aiden Gibbs, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, was first runner-up in FHES School Spelling Bee.*

*Maryona Jacobs, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, auditioned for American Idol.*

*Ms. Torri Smith earned her Doctorate and has now been hired as our CRT for next school year.*

*Mrs. Alexandria Gillcrese has served as Assistant Principal at Forest Heights for 5 years. She has been selected as a Principal for a school in Lexington 4.*

*Forest Heights has met several growth goals this year concerning Reading and Math. We are thrilled at the progress and can't wait to see what results SCReady and SCPass bring!*

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### Purpose of the Report

*“This Report is issued by the Myschool School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.”*

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## Forest Heights Elementary School

### Annual School Improvement Council “Report to the Parents” 2021-2022



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### “A Team That Reads Together, Succeeds Together!”

## SIC Annual Goals

- The percentage of teachers implementing the components of the Balanced Literacy Framework and research-based instructional strategies using data to drive instruction will increase to 40% to positively impact student achievement.
- By the end of the 2022 school year, 45% of the students will score Meets or Exceeds on the 2022 SCReady Math assessment.
- By the end of the 2022 school year, 40% of the instructional staff will operate in a data driven culture as evidence by implementation of instructional strategies provided in PLCs.
- By the end of the 2022 school year, 30% of students at Forest Heights Elementary School will be performing at or above grade level in reading as measured by the STAR Assessment.
- By the end of the 2022 school year, 40% of parents will attend Parent Engagement opportunities provided by Forest Heights Elementary School to impact student achievement perception data.
- By the end of the 2022 school year, the overall number of office and classroom infractions will reduce by 10% as documented in the ABE system reports.

## Student Achievement

Data from August-January

Grade	STAR Growth Reading	Goal Met of 65% Natural Growth	STAR Growth Math	Goal Met of 65% Natural Growth
Pre-K	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kindergarten	47.5%	No	N/A	N/A
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	33/77= 43%	No	27/61= 44.3%	No
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	36/58= 62%	No	30/48= 62.5%	No
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	42/62= 68%	Yes	42/59= 71.2%	Yes
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	33/54= 61%	No	35/54= 64.8%	No
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	47/60= 78%	Yes	38/58= 65.5%	Yes
<b>Total</b>	<b>59.9%</b>		<b>61.6%</b>	

**Forest Heights went from 29<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> on the overall Growth List in Reading!!!! This is exceptional GROWTH in a few short months!**

*“For more information, you may view Myschool’s “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov).”*

## Additional Information

Forest Heights Elementary School is an amazing school, full of incredible students and exceptional teachers. We want to highlight just a few of these things for you about our wonderful student body.

- Pre-Kindergarten- 39 Students
- Kindergarten- 55 Students
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade- 73 Students
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- 54 Students
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- 64 Students
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- 57 Students
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- 65 Students

Total Enrollment: 415 (Fluctuates)

- Asian- 2
- Black or African American- 320
- Hispanic/Latino- 59
- Two or More Races- 18
- White- 16

Forest Heights Elementary School is a student-centered, academically focused, and data driven school. We strive each and every day to ensure that our students receive the absolute best education possible. The elementary years are absolutely critical in every student’s educational journey because they are the foundational years. Thank you for helping us build a foundation for students to building upon for years to come!

Sincerely,  
Mr. Jason Koepke  
Principal