

School Organizations and Contacts

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Extracurricular Activities

Basketball
Boys and Girls Club
Cheerleading
Delta Academy
Football
Girls of Leadership and Distinction (GOLD)
Girls on Track
Junior Beta Club
Latin Club
Lego Robotics
MATHCOUNTS! Team
Mock Trial
Quiz Wiz
Soccer
Steel Drum Band
Student Council
TLC—TWO After School Program
Volleyball
Youth Action Council



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Dent Middle, in partnership with its students, families, and community, provides each student a comprehensive, quality education in a supportive environment by offering relevant, challenging learning experiences that prepare students to become responsible individuals and citizens.

School Hours

7:30 a.m.—2:25 p.m.

Student Enrollment — 1,235
Grade 6th—8th

School Highlights & Awards

Dent Middle School is the birthplace of educational excellence in Richland School District Two. Originally opened in 1926, the school was a pillar in the agricultural community of northeast Columbia. As the current home of approximately 1,235 students, our dynamic and diverse student body has a rich cultural background, representing multiple countries. Generations of families have graduated from the district's original school, a high school, a junior high school, and now a state-of-the-art middle school.

Magnets

The Learning Collaborative (TLC) - Serving highly motivated, high achieving students from across the district, TLC is the oldest magnet program in the district.

The TWO Academies—The TWO Academies is the first public, single-gender program in South Carolina. Teachers provide differentiated instruction and use gender specific strategies to target the learning needs of each student.

Fine Arts and Media Enrichment (FAME) - Through FAME, students are able to participate in various fine arts and technology electives to include band, orchestra, chorus, digital keyboarding, graphic arts, computer graphics, and dance.

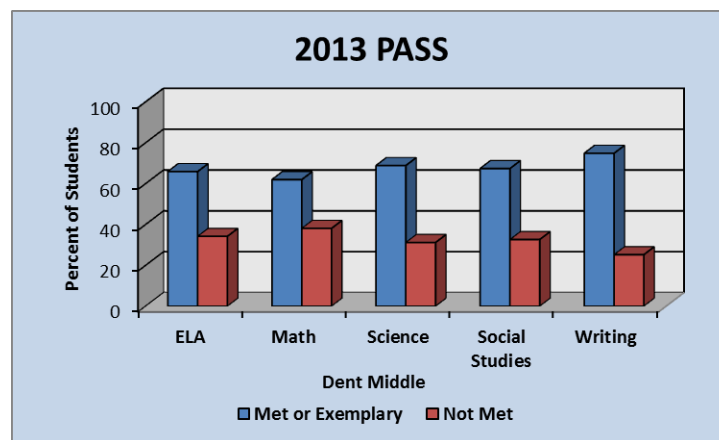
Student Information

62% African American
22% White
5% Asian
8% Hispanic
3% Other

98 Teachers

14 National Board Certified

Test Scores



Technology

All classrooms have Internet capabilities with access to multiple computers and a SmartBoard. We have several computer labs for student use and have moved to a 1 to 1 (1 TWO 1) computing format in all grades where every student has a ChromeBook for the instructional day.



Richland School District Two does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, or other protected characteristic in its programs and activities.

Goals for the Next School Year

- ◇ Design lessons that increase student engagement through the Richland Two framework.
- ◇ Expand alliances with parent, community, and business stakeholders.
- ◇ Fine tune co-curricular offerings to support students' needs.
- ◇ Provide professional development to increase student engagement in existing and new technology.
- ◇ Continued implementation of the Common Core State Standards, moving towards routine practice in every classroom.
- ◇ Facilitate effective and timely communication between the school and stakeholders.
- ◇ Support faculty, staff, and students to ensure a culture of high expectations.

Major Grants Received

In an attempt to bring support and additional resources to the Richland Northeast High School feeder system, Dent Middle School is included in a Race to the Top Federal Grant. Four diverse school districts (19 schools) in South Carolina have come together in a shared vision and commitment to Enterprise Learning as the means to change the future for our students and our state. This consortium of districts—the *Carolina Consortium for Enterprise Learning* (CCEL)—is comprised of Clarendon County School District Two, Richland County School District Two, Orangeburg Consolidated School District 5, and Williamsburg County School District.