

School Organizations and Contacts

Parent/Teacher Organization

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School Improvement Council

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Mr. Chris Reliford
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Extracurricular Activities

Conder Elementary Dance Ensemble
Conder Steel Drum Band
Academy of Chess
Conder Ambassadors
Conder Strings
Green Team
A+ Girls
Star Gents
Shining Stars After Care
21st Century Community Learning Centers
(SWIM) Students with Intelligent Minds



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L. W. Conder Arts Elementary Integrated-Magnet School, in partnership with our families and diverse community, will maximize quality learning for each child by providing a safe learning environment to empower every student with a solid foundation for life-long success in an ever-changing world.

7:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Student enrollment 710
Grades Pre-K thru 5th

School Highlights & Awards

Conder Elementary School continues a legacy of excellence and the distinction of being the only arts magnet school in Richland School District Two. Our motto is Students Through The Arts Reach Success.

We are an Arts in Basic Curriculum (ABC) Advancement site, and in our fifth year of this partnership. Also in partnership with the South Carolina Arts Commission and the State Department of Education Distinguished Arts Program (DAP), Conder teachers participated in intensive and on-going professional development in arts integration. Teachers used arts integration strategies in everyday classroom instruction. Teachers, students, and parents participated in on-site and off-site arts related activities such as concerts, musical and dance productions and art shows. Our primary goals are improving academics and strengthening community/school relations.

Conder Elementary is a whole school magnet with a focus on arts integration.

State Department Red Carpet School 2009

Exemplary Writing School 2007

PBIS School of Distinction 2010

Region XI Magnet Schools Principal of the Year 2010

Finalist for State Assistant Principal of the Year 2010

Character School Award 2012

Reading Council Administrator of the Year 2012

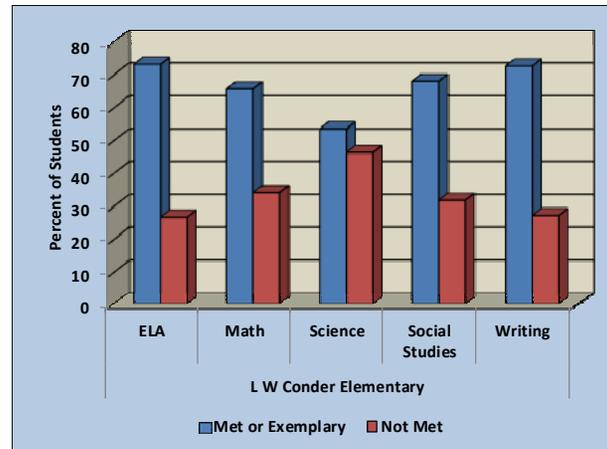
Student Information

70 % African American
4% White
1 % Asian
22 % Hispanic
3 % Other

54 Teachers

8 National Board Certified

Test Scores



Technology

Conder has 2 fully equipped computer labs

Two wireless labs

2nd Grade I-PAC class

Six 5th grade 1TWO1 classrooms

All classrooms have three computers and SmartBoard® access.

Grades K-5 use interactive Smart Slates

Eight student iPads are available for checkout

Major Grants Received

21st Century Learning Community Grant

SC Arts Commission Grant (ABC)

Distinguished Arts Program Grant (DAP)

Sparkleberry Fair Grant—Reading/Literacy Program

Dollar General Grant

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

- Excellence in student learning.
- Increase the curriculum using Learning Centered Schools and Best Practices.
- Meeting diverse student needs.
- Expand the single gender program to include 1-5.
- Continue before and after school academic assistance for at-risk students.
- Continue Reading Recovery in 1st grade.
- Implement advanced math classes in grades 3-5.
- Providing a safe and secure environment.
- Continue BEP (Be Exceptionally Positive) Program.
- Continue to teach and implement life-skills focus.
- Create healthy environment through Fresh Fruit & Vegetables, Dental Access, and nutrition in SWIM program.
- Integration of the arts multi-cultural awareness, and social issues through character education and anti-bullying programs.
- Maintaining quality teachers and personnel.
- Provide professional staff development with "Working on the Work" (WOW)
- Differentiated Instruction
- Integration of the Arts, and technology integration.
- Expanding school, parent, and community partnerships.
- Expand initiatives to engage parents such as Book Fairs, SMART night, mother-daughter tea, Family Night.
- Involve stakeholders in school's strategic planning.
- Continue to market Conder's Arts Magnet Programs through community involvement.