# **School Organizations and Contacts**

### **Extracurricular Activities**

# Forest Lake Elementary Technology Magnet School

## **School Improvement Council**

Dan Brettelle - Community Member Kappy Steck - Ex-Officio Paula China - Ex-Offiicio Keshia Clark - Parent Lynn Connelly - Parent Chris Dickey - Ex-Officio Monica Henderson - Parent Richard Jones - Community Member Duane Dunn - Community Member Emily Peebles - Community Member Cassie Radford - Parent (Chairperson) Sunny Reeves - Community Member Mendel Rivers - Parent Farah Robinson - Parent Ellen Scott - Parent Holly Swan - Parent Pamela Taylor - Teacher

Dance
Piano Lessons
4th and 5th Grade Chorus
Mad Science

LANGO - French and Spanish Language
Instruction
Broadway, Jr. Musicals
Eagle Readers Series Book Club
LEGO-Robotics
Sciencefest
STEM-G Career Day
Distance Learning Network
(Videoconferenceing)

Family Programs
After Care
Quarterly Family Nights
Quarterly You, Me & FLE Projects

# Parent/Teacher Organization

Kirsten Keels - Teacher

Juli Blalock President blalocje@dhec.sc.gov

## **Education Foundation**

John Winterhalter jwinterhalter@forestlake.org

Uniform Policy - Wearing uniforms cultivates an atmosphere of teaching and learning, contributing to a quality learning environment for all students. Forest Lake uniforms are: khaki or navy pants, jumpers, or walking length shorts, skorts, or skirts. Navy blue, red, yellow, or white tops (solid color and no writing). Black or brown belt. Shoes with safety in mind - no flip flops, platform shoes, or shoes with cleats.



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# Kappy Steck Principal

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8 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

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"Our School, in partnership with families and the community, provides a safe, nurturing environment for the growth and development of young children. We accomplish this through a technology infused integrated curriculum that demands academic excellence, encourages positive self-esteem, and promotes responsible citizenship and respect for others."

> Student Enrollment - 601 Grades - Pre K thru 5th

# School Highlights & Awards

Forest Lake Technology Magnet School, a NASA Explorer School, provides a challenging curriculum that demands academic excellence in all areas. Teachers and instructional specialists plan collaboratively to develop integrated units of study that integrate 21st century technologies, emphasize digital and information literacy, the application of critical thinking skills, and problem solving strategies. Teachers and students use classroom Tech Zones, Netbooks, SMARTBoards, SMART Airliners, Distance Learning with NASA, podcasts, wireless laptops, digital cameras, Flipcams, Classroom Performance and Senteo Systems to support and enrich both teaching and learning. The Sci-Tech Lab, Eagle Computer Labs, News Production Studio, Yamaha Keyboarding Lab, StarLab Portable Planetarium, and Mac laptops offer school-wide opportunities for technology experiences. Our technologyinfused program engages students as it prepares them for the future.

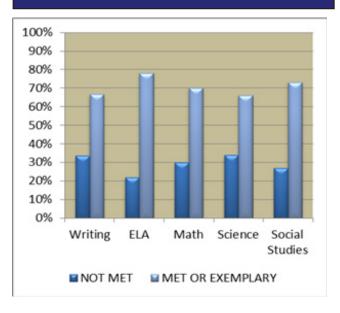
#### **Recent Awards**

Showcased during NBC's "Education Nation"
Featured in *Places People Learn* display in Rockefeller Plaza Magnet Schools of America - Magnet School of Distinction National Association of Elementary Principals
Distinuished Principal Award
South Carolina Association of School Administrators
Distinguished Principal Award
An Edutopia "Schools That Work"
Magnet Schools of America - Magnet School of Distinction
Magnet Schools of America - Regional Principal
of the Year
South Carolina Association of School Librarians
Distinguished Library Service Award for School
Administrators

#### **Major Grants Received**

IMPACT Grant NASA Explorer School

#### **PASS Test Scores**



# **Technology**

Two computer labs SMARTBoard in each class SMART Airliner in each class A TECH Zone of 8 Networked Computers in each class Light Speed Sound System in each class Videoconferencing Equipment Wireless Laptop Carts Senteo Systems and Classroom Performance Systems (digital response systems) Mobile iPod Lab Mobile Digital Camera Lab Flip Video Cameras Palm Pilots with Science Probes Netbooks Mac Laptops in Art Yamaha Keyboard Lab in Music

2:1 or 1:1 Computing Capability in Classrooms

#### Goals for the Next School Year

- ♦ Utilize a variety of instructional strategies that incorportae technology
- Collaboration within and across grade levels to ensure vertical and horizontal alignment if instruction
- ♦ Enrichment and support of classroom units of study through related arts class.
- ♦ Provide 21st century learning opportunities for students in a digital society by incorporating digital, media, and information literacy skills into the school's curriculum.
- ♦ Provide a positive, safe, and nuturing environment for all.
- ♦ Develop alliances with families and the community to enhance and support the school's mission.

#### **Student Information**

67% African American
23% White
7% Hispanic
2% Asian
1% Other

# 27 Teachers (10 National Board Certified)

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