



2022-23 SIC GOALS

School Improvement Council (SIC) is an advisory body to the principal and school. Working collaboratively with our school partners, the SIC will:

- Increase Parent Engagement through conducting a successful parent university.
- Enhance SIC Effectiveness by conducting at least eight well-organized meetings per year and providing necessary resources to members.
- Provide Professional Development opportunities for SIC members to enhance their skills and contribute effectively to school improvement efforts.



PROGRAMS AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- ACE Student Council
- AVID Student Leaders
- Hive Hosts Student Ambassadors
- Rotary Readers Literacy Club
- WLBN Morning News Show
- Bowtie Boys/ Pearls for Girls Mentoring Program
- Book Buddies
- Gifted and Talented Program
- K-5 Service Learning
- Recycling Team
- D.A.R.E.
- Monthly MVP- Student Recognition
- Nelson Cares Afterschool Program
- Buzz- In Family Orientation Night
- LBN Family Nights



LONNIE B. NELSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

225 North Brickyard Road
Columbia, SC 29223
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ANNUAL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT TO PARENTS 2022-2023

School Hours: 7:10am-3:30pm

Principal: Dr. Twanisha Garner
Assistant Principals: Mrs. Carol O'Connor &
Mr. Carlton Gamble
ACE Magnet Lead Teacher: Mrs. Tara Simmons

GRADES PREK-FIFTH

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SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS

School Improvement Council

Melissa Myers, Don Polite, Catrena Britton, Amber Caicedo, Cherise Parson, Dawna Masi, Lila Hancock, Fredricka Brown, Kim Krapfel, Carlton Gamble, and Dr. Twanisha Garner

Parent Teacher Organization

Anne Pierce, Katie Virtucio, Alexis Hyyppa, Angela Underwood, Barbra Culver, Cassidy Boyd, Kayla Hays, Tara Simmons, Sharon Fleming, Amanda Frye, Amy Nguyen, Carol O'Connor, and Dr. Twanisha Garner

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

"This Report is issued by the Lonnie B. Nelson 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."


SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary works hard to promote creativity and collaboration with our students. We operate from the belief that ALL students have skills and talents that enable every member of our school to be a leader. We also believe that a growth mindset and culturally relevant teaching will deepen the foundation of learning for ALL students to experience success. To cultivate this belief, we work closely with parents and families to build Lonnie B. leaders and learners who are ready and willing to give back to the community. We have a strong mentoring program with our community, as well as our Career Day, where our students are able to see first-hand the results of living their passion through hard work and perseverance. We continue to pride ourselves on providing a safe, nurturing, and engaging environment focused on educating and addressing the needs of the whole child. Lonnie B. Nelson Elementary will continue to set high goals for improved student achievement and focus our attention on a safe and healthy environment by hiring and retaining a high-quality teaching staff while building our leaders. We look forward to many successes as we continue to educate ALL students to the highest levels of academic achievement and empower them to build their emotional, social, and physical well-being.

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT

Our school is helping all students develop the World Class Skills of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by promoting critical thinking within our curriculum and instruction, as well as focusing on how it can be used in school, everyday life, and with issues important to the community.

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.

 **AVID**® We are a proud AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) school. Our AVID trained teachers connect critical thinking and organizational skills with core-content to prepare our students for success. Schoolwide, our students are actively engaged in WICOR (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading) strategies to promote life-long learning and leadership skills.

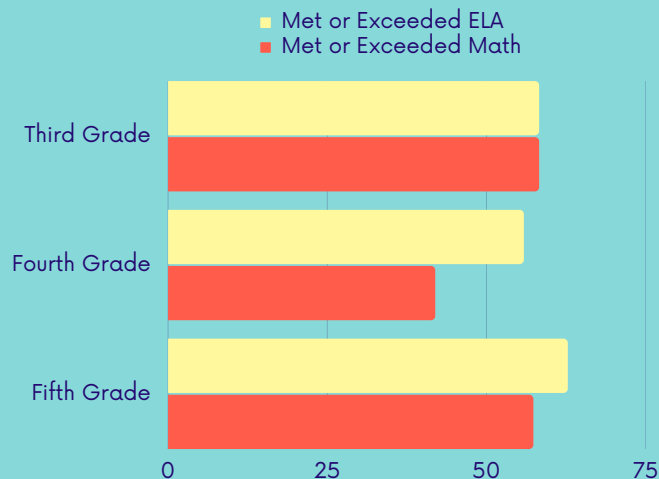
ACE (Academy for Civic Engagement) school within a school magnet program has been recognized as a Demonstration School (the highest achievement) from Magnet Schools of America.



ACE focuses on civic engagement, service learning, and economics; in addition to the SC College and Career Ready Standards. Our school-wide services and service-learning for our community make a difference in our world.

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21/22 TEST SCORES



INSTRUCTIONAL PRIORITIES

- Measure and monitor academic achievement in the areas of Meaning/Context and Language, Craft, and Structure, Number Sense, and Writing. The data will be used to refine Tier 1 instruction.
- Implement 7 mindsets as means to increase opportunities for student leadership.
- Provide engaging, personalized professional development opportunities for certified and classified staff.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Enrollment- 546 students
Grades PK- 5th

African American-405

White-67

Asian-13

Hispanic-56

American Indian-2

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander-0

Two or more races-46

STAFF INFORMATION

PK- 5th-grade teachers- 29

National Board Certified - 4

Staff with advanced degrees-32

