

## SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Rashad Adams, Denise Collins,  
Dana Henderson, Dana DuPre,  
Kagin Simmons, Kurtina Ricketts  
Matthew Cunningham, Cyntrel  
Newson, & Tammie Gilchrist

### PARENT/TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Simone Williams - President

## SIC GOALS FOR 2024-2025

- Revising SIC By-Laws
- Attend Annual SIC Conference
- Campus beautification & maintenance.
- Plan for implementing a healthy schools initiative.

## PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

"This Report is issued by the North Springs 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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## ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMS

Girls & Boys Mentoring Program  
wNSE TV (5<sup>th</sup>)  
Be Great Academy — Afterschool Program  
D.A.R.E.  
Safety Patrol  
Cricketfest (PTO)  
Media Helpers  
Chorus  
The Cricket Way (Character Program)  
Student Recognition Medallion System  
Student Ambassadors  
Lego Robotics  
Aquaponics & Hydroponics

## CRICKET CLUBS

To ensure all students from our community are able to participate in clubs that interest them, NSE implemented school wide clubs. Faculty & staff sponsor clubs around their interests. Students participate in an application process to apply for clubs that interest them.

Examples of clubs: Animal Ambassadors, Basketball, Chess, Puzzles, Coding, Lego Robotics, Art, and more!

# NORTH SPRINGS

## ELEMENTARY

### ANNUAL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT TO PARENTS 2024-2025

Principal:

Mr. Rashad Adams

Assistant Principals:

Mrs. Dana Henderson & Ms. Denise Collins

STEMS Magnet Lead Teacher:

Mrs. Kristina Dial



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In partnership with students, parents, and the community, North Springs Elementary School guarantees our children a quality education, empowering them to reach their maximum potential while acquiring the skills to become lifelong learners and responsible citizens, by providing challenging learning experiences in a caring environment.

# ALL ABOUT NORTH SPRINGS

North Springs Elementary (NSE) is located in the Richland Northeast area of Columbia, SC. NSE houses grades child development through fifth. Students are provided with a myriad of enrichment activities, which include the ALERT program designed for Gifted and Talented students, the Science Technology Engineering and Math School (STEMS) magnet program in grades kindergarten through fifth, and a Response to Intervention program that reaches students who need additional assistance in reading and math. At NSE, we celebrate the academic achievement of all children and work as a unified team to prepare our children to lead in the 21st Century.

## CRICKET INFORMATION

Student Enrollment – 665  
Grades Pre-K – 5th grade

75% African American  
7% White  
1% Asian  
10% Hispanic  
1% Unclassified  
6% Two or more races  
61 Certified Teachers  
7 National Board Certified

# AWARDS

2025 Magnet Schools of America Merit Award of Excellence  
2022-2023 AVID Certified School  
2017 & 2022 Magnet Schools of America Certified Demonstration School  
2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, & 2023 Magnet Schools of America Merit Award of Distinction  
2021 Trailblazer Live United Award  
2020-2021 Unified Champion Schools Award  
2016 School of Excellence – Magnet Schools of America  
2009 and 2016 Exemplary Professional Development School Achievement Award  
2015 Palmetto Silver Award

## NSE DATA



Please click here to view our testing data via the SC Department of Education Report Card.

# NSE 2024-2025 PRIORITIES



Click here to view our school renewal plan.

## STEMS MAGNET PROGRAM



The Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics School at North Springs is all about problem-solving. STEMS provides an academically rigorous core curriculum enhanced with hands-on investigations & field studies. Thematic units ensure the seamless connections between language arts, reading, social studies, math & science, while providing experiences that feature the meaningful use of the Engineering Design Process & use of the 4C's.

We are happy to announce that the STEMS@NSE Magnet Program has been recertified as a Magnet Schools of America Demonstration school through 2026 and has received a 2023 Merit Award of Distinction.

