

School Organizations

School Improvement Council 2022-2023

Lower Campus Chairperson - Emily Glenham
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Parent/Teacher Organization 2022-2023

President - Brittany Moebes
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School Beliefs

“Sailing Beyond Excellence” in

- Leadership
- Community / Service Learning
- Rigorous Instruction

In partnership with our community, we work to develop the global citizens of tomorrow—citizens who are prepared to lead and excel in their chosen pathway.



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7:40-2:30pm

The faculty and staff of Lake Carolina Elementary School, in collaboration with the community, will promote a safe, caring, and respectful educational environment for all students through the use of innovative teaching strategies and character education to create successful, life-long learners, as we sail beyond excellence.



School Highlights & Awards

- DODEA Whole Child Grant 2020
- Special Olympics Unified Champion School 2019
- ASCD Whole Child Award 2018
- Green Steps Certified School 2017-2018
- Victory Initiative Grant 2011-18
- NAPDS Award for Exemplary Professional Development School Achievement 2013
- National Schools of Character Award from Character Education Partnership 2010
- South Carolina Schools of Character Award 2009
- National Blue Ribbon 2008
- Palmetto's Finest 2007-2008
- South Carolina Report Card Rating—Excellent 2002-14
- Closing the Achievement Gap Award 2003-2014
- Palmetto Gold Award for Academic Achievement 2004-2014
- Palmetto Silver Award for Academic Achievement 2003

Service Learning Project

Canned Food Drive

Students brought in donations for the “Attitude of Gratitude” Food Drive to help the Christian Assistance Bridge. Students used the LIFESKILLS of caring, cooperation, friendship and responsibility to fill the backpacks.



Goals for 2022-2023

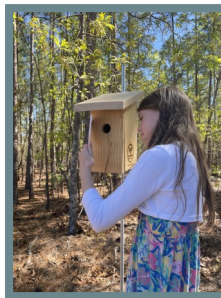
- Continue to teach character education through the use of LIFESKILLS
- Maintain a “certified” or higher distinction by the AVID Center based on the annual Coaching and Certification Instrument. (CCI)
- Maintain a strong community partnership with current and incoming families.
- Focus on student engagement by providing intentional instruction to meet their individual academic and social needs.

Unified Buddies

- Through Unified Buddies, we collaborate with other teachers to plan and facilitate weekly activities for special needs students and their second grade mentors, known as their Unified “buddy”. Coming together for a common goal improved and strengthened the school culture and community and impacted the lives of all students by teaching them about inclusion, respect, and friendship. The Unified program teaches students the LIFESKILLS of friendship, cooperation, and leadership as well as other physical and social skills. Over the years, our school has grown the Unified program from 54 students to now over 90 students. Over 215 students have been members of the Unified Buddies program and the number only continues to grow. The program advocates for all students, to spread the message of inclusion and friendship.

Community Involvement

Lake Carolina Lower partnered with the Audubon Society, and we were gifted five bluebird houses. Volunteers from the organization monitor the boxes by checking them every two weeks during the breeding season (mid-March to mid-August). This is a beautiful opportunity for our students to enjoy and explore nature at its best.



Student and Teacher Information

495 Students

PreK —2nd Grades

Asian & Other - 3 %
African American - 46 %
Hispanic - 10 %
White - 32 %
Other - 9%

45 Certified Teaching Staff
(2 National Board Certified)



Special Olympics
**Unified Champion
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