

## School Organizations

### School Improvement Council 2024-2025

Lower Campus Chairperson - Jackie Abbott  
Upper Campus Chairperson - Emily Glenham  
Secretary - Sarah Hood

Dr. Jackie Norton  
Dr. Keicha Chandler-Smith  
Linda Goetzfried  
Jackie Hatchell  
Gregg Heinisch  
Kenneth Brazell  
Dina Knight  
Monique Meeks  
TJ Wallace  
Samantha White  
Arielle Wright

### Parent/Teacher Organization 2024-2025

President - Dr. Katie Woodlief Smith  
Vice Presidents - Bre Davis & Lacesha Brumfield  
Secretary - Tracey Butler Sopher  
Treasurer - Shatika Spearman

Dr. Keicha Chandler-Smith  
Dr. Jacqueline Norton  
Jacqueline Abbott  
Courtney Cephas  
Rebecca Flynn  
Te'sah Hemphill  
Kisha London  
Summers McBride  
Molly Parker  
Molly Parisher  
Courtney Williams

## 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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## Lake Carolina Elementary Lower Campus



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7:40am -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

- Imagine Learning School Of Excellence 2024
- DODEA Whole Child Grant 2020
- Purple Star School 2019
- Special Olympics Unified Champion School 2019
- ASCD Whole Child Award 2018
- Green Steps Certified School 2017-2018
- Victory Initiative Grant 2011-2018
- 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 2002-2014
- Closing the Achievement Gap Award 2003-2014
- Palmetto Gold Award for Academic Achievement 2004-2014
- Palmetto Silver Award for Academic Achievement 2003

## Student and Teacher Information

**560 Students**  
PreK —2<sup>nd</sup> Grades

Asian - 2 %  
African American - 48 %  
Hispanic - 13 %  
White - 27 %  
Other - 10%

45 Certified Teaching Staff

## Service Learning Project

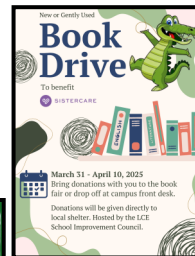
### Hurricane Helene

By utilizing the LIFESKILLS of caring, cooperation, friendship, and responsibility, our students successfully gathered donations for each classroom at Black Mountain Primary in North Carolina, following the devastation of Hurricane Helene.



## Community Involvement

- Lake Carolina Lower partnered with Papa Tony's Pizza for LCE Eats Out. A portion of the proceeds are donated back to the school.
- SIC sponsored a Book Drive to benefit Sister Care.
- Our coaches hosted a Coffee Chat for parents to talk about topics affecting our students today.



## Goals for 2025-2026

- 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.

## Purple Star School

- Lake Carolina Elementary School is honored as a Purple Star School for its outstanding commitment to supporting military families. The South Carolina Department of Education acknowledges schools and districts deeply dedicated to supporting military families and their students. Here at LCEL we have over 90 students that have parents on active duty.
- Our commitment to honoring military students and families is evident throughout the year in events like our Veterans Day breakfast and parade, and our Military Spirit Week, which celebrates the contributions of our military children.

