

### School Improvement Council Members

#### Parents

Erica Nelson, Co-chair  
Katerrri Pringle, Co-chair  
Courtney Robinson  
Dr. Cheryl K. Witherspoon

#### KMMS Staff

Adrienne Gearheart  
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#### Community Member

Brad Guster  
Chris Johnson  
Doug Payne  
D. Claire Thompson

#### Ex. Office

Dr. Richard Griffin Principal  
Jamilia Kenely, Assistant Principal

### Parent-Teacher-Organization

Rhonda Sherman, President  
Kristin White, Treasurer

## Student Information

Student Enrollment - 978

#### **Percentage of:**

African American 68%  
White 15%  
Hispanic/Latino 8%  
Multi-Racial 6%

## Teacher Information

63 Teachers

8 National Board Certified Staff

### Athletics

Basketball, Cheerleading, Football, Soccer, Volleyball

### Music

Jazz Band, Kelly Mill Singers  
Wire Choir

### Clubs and Activities

Spanish Club  
Student Ambassadors  
Student Government  
Future Cities  
Project Care  
Robotics Club  
Readers' Challenge  
Recycling Team  
Panther School Store  
Food Pantry

### Special Programs

School-wide STEAMM Magnet  
Kelly Mill, INC. National Demonstration Magnet School  
Kelly Mill, INC. National Magnet School of Distinction  
AVID-National Demonstration Site  
Male Call  
Girls Empowered  
Pearls of Distinction

### Family Programs

Beyond the Bell After-School Program  
STEAMM Night



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Columbia, SC 29229  
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### Dr. Richard Griffin, Principal

#### Vision

**Kelly Mill Med Pro Middle will be the premier middle school of excellence in academics and character development by preparing all students for college and career readiness by providing relevant 21st century learning experiences that incorporate AVID and STEAMM concepts.**

#### Mission

**AVID's Mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.**

#### Culture

**Building positive relationships to empower everyone to lead and excel in their chosen paths.**

#### School Hours

7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
Grades - 6th - 8th  
1141 Kelly Mill Road  
Blythewood, SC 29016  
Phone 803.691.7210  
FAX 803.691.7212

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## School Highlights & Awards

Building on the district's belief that all students can learn when immersed in a highly engaged environment, Kelly Mill Med Pro Middle School strives to enhance the learning environment for all students. We are very proud to have received a federally funded grant to become a school-wide STEAMM magnet. Our faculty and staff provide students with challenging work that inspires and encourages them to inquire about the world, while making connections to STEAMM components. We offer honors classes in all four core content areas, as well as high school credit courses in Algebra I, Geometry, Spanish I, and Fundamentals of Computing. Our school within a school magnet, INC., is a competitive program for the academically gifted student. We are a National AVID Demonstration site, where AVID strategies accelerate student-learning and encourage inquiry-based teaching methods both school-wide and in the AVID elective class. We also use technology as an integral component of instruction. We offer one-to-one computing for all students with Chromebooks, enabling easy access to information to ignite student curiosity. Additionally, each classroom has a ClearTouch Display Board that promotes students' engagement in the learning process. We are so very proud of our student accomplishments this year. We have competitive teams with athletics, Quiz Whiz, Readers' Challenge,

## Awards and Special Recognitions

Palmetto's Finest Finalist 2010, 2011, 2012, 2018  
AVID National Demonstration Site  
SC Finance Challenge Repeat Champions  
Red Carpet School  
Palmetto Silver Award  
Honor Band Straight Superior Ratings at the SCBDA  
State Concert Festival

## MAP Scores

### STEAMM

Kelly Mill Med Pro is a grant funded full school magnet where students are immersed in the STEAMM theme through all instructional areas. All students learn through inquiry based experiences where STEAMM is infused and integrated into all content area and academic standards. STEAMM connections are made in all content areas and interdisciplinary STEAMM projects are completed by students. Students practice 21st Century Skills including collaboration, creativity, communication and critical thinking, all which align with the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate.

### AVID

Kelly Mill Med Pro Middle is AVID Schoolwide and an AVID National Demonstration Site. This means that teachers in all content areas use research-based AVID strategies to teach their classes. All students are expected to maintain an AVID binder and take Focused Notes. Our school has visitors from all over the country coming to see AVID implemented school-wide.

AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is a college readiness elective offered to students who would like to prepare for four-year colleges and universities. AVID Scholars are motivated to work toward college eligibility by working on their writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization, and reading skills. These students are given the support and instruction they need to succeed not only in middle school, but also in college-prep and AP high school courses. The AVID elective supports these students in at least one honors/advanced middle school class.

### KELLY MILL INC.

The vision of the INC. Magnet Program is to reach a diverse population of students who will become innovative, inclusive, and ethical business leaders who will lead, create, and meet the challenges of a competitive world.

The mission of Kelly Mill INC. is to educate a diverse and inclusive population of students on 21st century skills and financial literacy

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## Goals for the next school year

- ◇ Focus on developing measurable, attainable goals using data
- ◇ Identifying students at every level and support teachers putting specific strategies in place for each student
- ◇ Support initiatives to support addressing the achievement gap
- ◇ Promote character development efforts by the school
- ◇ Promote initiatives to support teacher retention
- ◇ Encourage, monitor, and support parent and community involvement in school activities and programs



- ◇ Effectively promote public relations with parents and the community

### AVID Goals

- ◇ To Increase the number of eighth grade students that are enrolled in Algebra I or Geometry