



# Lake Murray Elementary School

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## School Improvement Council Annual Report ~ Spring 2025

### Our Mission:

*As a school, we will intentionally direct our efforts toward continuous improvement through education, empowerment, and encouragement to ensure student success.*

### 2024-2025 Family & Community Partnerships

- Operation Angel project-Good Works of Chapin
- Coin Drive donations- Samaritan's Purse to support Hurricane Helene victims
- Richland County Sheriff's Department
  - DARE
  - High Five Friday
- District 5 Foundation Snack Pack Food Drive in partnership with Lake Murray Presbyterian to support our Snack Pack Program
- 3rd Grade donations to Epworth Children's Home and Leeza's Care Connection
- Cereal Drive donations to Sharing God's Love and River's Edge Retreat- Game Changer Camp
- Snack Pack, Cereal Drive, & 1st Grade donations to We Care Chapin
- Gateway Baptist Backpack Program
- Rotary Club of Chapin
  - Dictionaries to 3rd grade students
  - Student of the Month Spotlights
  - Teacher of the Year Spotlight
- Chapin Chamber of Commerce
  - Student of the Month Spotlight
  - Teacher Spotlight
- LMES PTO
  - Captain's Craze
  - Tent or Treat
  - Jingle Jam
  - Sweets with your Sweetie
  - LMES Fireflies Night
  - BINGO Night
  - Spirit Nights with local businesses
  - Arts Day
- Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission
- SIC & 4th Grade Great Book Giveaway Drive
- Jump Rope Jamboree donations to American Red Cross.
- Blackbaud Giving Fund
- USC Healthy Schools Project
- Southern Freight Lines shoe donations
- Special Olympics

### 2023-2024 Student Achievement\*

South Carolina Ready ELA *Percentage of students Meeting or Exceeding Standard			
	LMES	District	State
Grade 3	69.4%	60.2%	53.8%
Grade 4	72.9%	64.7%	57.2%
South Carolina Ready MATH *Percentage of students Meeting or Exceeding Standard			
	LMES	District	State
Grade 3	77.1%	61.8%	54.6%
Grade 4	77.9%	59.1%	51.0%



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### Student Statistics\*

*As of 135th day	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25
Student Population	807	819	774	750
Student Attendance	96.6%	95.6%	96.0%	96.3%
Limited English	4.9%	5.3%	3.9%	3.7%
Minority Population	17.3%	19.2%	16.3%	21.2%

### School Effectiveness

Percentages reflect response summaries for "Mostly Agree" and "Agree" on 2022-2023 State Department of Education Survey	Teacher Survey	Student Survey	Parent Survey
<b>Strand I:</b> I am satisfied with the learning environment in my school.	100%	93.1%	99.3%
<b>Strand II:</b> I am satisfied with the social and physical environment at my school.	100%	96.8%	99.2%
<b>Strand III:</b> I am satisfied with school-home relations.	100%	97.2%	98.3%

### School Improvement Council 2024-2025

Lauryn Harbour, Chair, Community Member  
Ali Hendrick, Vice Chair, Parent  
Jeremy Gould, Parent  
Morgan Leath, Parent  
Bianica Davis, Parent  
Jami Flowers, Parent  
Tiffany Vyskocil, Parent  
Derek Phillips, Parent  
Dr. Bill Taylor, Community Member  
Jason White, Community Member  
Scott Hood, Community Member  
Molly Fornadel, PTO President  
Jennifer Antley, Teacher  
Adrienne Hoefer, Teacher  
Kristen Eubanks, Principal  
Brian Scott, Assistant Principal

### School Recognitions

**LMES Teacher of the Year:**  
Cait Kepler

**LMES Support Employee of the Year:**  
Jessica Berry

#### 2024-2025 Niche Awards

#1 Overall Best Public School in Columbia Area  
#1 Overall Best Teachers in the Columbia Area  
#3 Overall Best Teachers in South Carolina  
Top 2% of Elementary Schools in South Carolina  
Top 2% of Elementary Schools in America

#### 2024-2025 Kaboom Award

#1 Overall Best School in Columbia  
Kidding Around Columbia

**District 5 Attendance Champions**  
SY 23-24 & SY 24-25

