School Improvement Council

Mr. Phillip W. Jackson - Principal
Courtney Geddings - Assistant Principal
Sheila Pack - Teacher
Penny Aylward - Teacher
Kala McCall - Teacher
Amanda Hines - Parent (Chair)
Lauren McLeod - Parent
Christina Kinley - Parent
James Blassengame - Community Member
Amanda Craven - Community Member
Nikki Shiggs - Community Member



Dr. Wright and Kingsbury student Abbie Waynick after working collaboratively at the Superintendant's Student Advisory Council Meeting this school year.

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Sumter School District
1345 Wilson Hall Road
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Administrative Team

Principal - Mr. Phillip W. Jackson
Assistant Principal - Dr. Stephanie Cooper
Assistant Principal - Mrs. Courtney Geddings

Dear Parents,

This Annual Report has been prepared for you and the school community as required by South Carolina Law (Act 135). The report gives an overview of the improvements made during the 2023-2024 school year and describes the activities for this school year, as well as any updates made to our ACT 135 School Renewal Plan.

Keep in mind this report is a summary of activities, events, and outcomes at Kingsbury and is not intended to be detailed or comprehensive in nature. If you have questions about the contents of the report or would like a copy of the School Renewal Plan, please contact the school office at (803) 775-6244. Thank you for your faithful support!

Sincerely,
Phillip W. Jackson, principal





Kingsbury Elementary School

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Our STEAM lab with Ms. Bradford is a place where students build skills in problem-solving.

Our School Goals

- We will increase grade level proficiency each year on SCReady Reading by 2% as measured by Fall MAP Reading Growth data in students grades 2nd-5th.
- We will increase grade level proficiency each year on SCReady Math by 2% as measured by Fall MAP Math Growth data in students grades 2nd-5th.
- By the year 2027, the number of discipline referrals will decrease by 10% from the 2021-2022 school year.

Our Vision Statement

We at Kingsbury Elementary School share a common vision that "all children can learn." With that in mind, our school community, with devotion and hard work, foster a unique, positive environment "Where Knowledge is King."

Strategies for Improvement

- Reading & Math Interventionists on staff
- Title 1 Parent Facilitator on campus
- Bullying Prevention Program
- Leader In Me - Seven Habits implementation
- Use of Science of Reading Practices
- Implementation of Exact Path Intervention and Trophy Challenges
- Recognition of special awards for students
- 1-to-1 Chromebooks to support classroom instruction
- King's Coins and King's Ransom Table behavior incentives
- Professional Learning Communities to support collaboration in lesson planning and training
- Parent Workshops
- Arts integration supported by the ABC Grant
- STEAM classes for all students in K-5th grade
- Drama club, chorus, dance, Reading Rumble Team, and Girls on the Run enrichment programs after school
- PTO supported student incentives for achievement and growth on MAP testing.
- Partnership with Shaw Airforce Base and our military families



We love our student volenteers from Sumter High School and Lakewood High School. These partnerships help build character and provide vision for future success.

Our History

One of twenty-four public schools in Sumter School District, Kingsbury Elementary was established in 1991. We are one of fifteen fully accredited elementary schools in Sumter School District. Extensive additions to the campus were completed in 2004. Currently, we serve approximately 600 students.

Knightly Honors

- Three teachers possess National Board Certification: Jonnell Atkins, Barbara Hale, and Sheri McDowell.
- 100% of Professional Staff are certified
- Well over 50% of professional staff hold advanced degrees
- Recipient of Arts in Basic Curriculum Grant
- STEAM classes weekly for all students
- WLTX Teacher of the Week 2024 - Mrs. Cribb
- Partnership with Sumter High School for the Teacher Cadet Program
- Pathway for future educators allowing student teachers, South Carolina colleges, and KBE to partner together and provide education observation assignments

Our Mission

The mission of Kingsbury Elementary School, "Where Knowledge is King," is to provide the highest quality education and establish a sound academic and moral foundation by providing innovative and challenging learning experiences in a safe, supportive, and culturally diverse environment.

Community Involvment

- PTO support and volunteers on campus
- Food Lion - Math Night and donations for staff and students
- Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church - donations, mentoring, and volunteering on campus
- Toy Drive for Emmanual UMC's Empty Stocking program
- Lids for Kids fundraising support
- Relay for Life fundraising support
- Piggly Wiggly teacher appreciation supports and food bags for students' families
- Christ Community Church - teacher appreciation support and student mentors
- Alice Drive Baptist Church - Pocalla Campus - teacher appreciation support
- Grace Baptist Church's Women's Missionary Union - donated supplies for teachers and students