

FY27 Title I Plan

Arden Elementary School

Reform Strategies	Narrative Description	Use of Funds	Activity Cost
Strategy 1 - Provide Opportunities to Meet Challenging Academic Standards	1.1 Provide meaningful student incentives to motivate at-risk students to achieve academic and behavioral goals. Incentives include instructional items that reinforce learning and social-emotional tools that support student emotional well-being. Instructional Supplies: \$500	Student Incentives - Instructional Supplies	\$500.00
	1.2 Provide comprehensive instructional and technology supplies to support student learning and academic success. These resources enable students to organize their work, engage with instructional technology, and develop the skills necessary to meet their full potential. Supplies are designed to support diverse learning styles and remove barriers to academic engagement. The school will use a state contracted vendor to purchase SC Ready Coach books for a total of 110 students in grades 3 - 5 for ELA and math and science for grade 4. Technology supplies include printer ink, laminating film and materials for the school's Cricut machine to enhance student based projects. Instructional Supplies: \$11,800 Technology Supplies: \$5461.75	Instrcutional Supplies	\$11,800.00
		Technology Supplies	\$5,461.75

Strategy 2 - Use Effective Instructional Strategies	2.1 During the 2026-2027 school year, students at Arden will participate in the following field experiences: Riverbanks Zoo Escaping Extinction in Columbia, SC for 32 students in grade 3 at a cost of \$6 per student for admission. The total anticipated cost for admission is \$192 and the total anticipated cost for transportation is \$125. Standards addressed: 3-LS4-3. SC State Museum Weathering Weather & Sea Lions in Columbia, SC for 36 students in grade 4 at a cost of \$3 per student for admission. The total anticipated cost for admission is \$108 and the total anticipated cost for transportation is \$125. Standards addressed: 4-ESS3-2 ESS2.A. SC State Museum Weathering Weather & Sea Lions in Columbia, SC for 32 students in grade 2 at a cost of \$3 per student for admission. The total anticipated cost for admission is \$96 and the total anticipated cost for transportation is \$125. Standards addressed: 2-ESS1-1. R1 Challenger Center At the Top in Columbia, SC for 36 students in grade 5 at a cost of \$0 per student for admission. The total anticipated cost for admission is \$0 and the total anticipated cost for transportation is \$125. Standards addressed: 5-ESS1-2. Riverbanks Zoo Investigating Adaptions in Columbia, SC for 24 students in grade 1 at a cost of \$8 per student for admission. The total anticipated cost for admission is \$192 and the total anticipated cost for transportation is \$125. Standards addressed: 1-LS1-1. Riverbanks Zoo On the Move in Columbia, SC for 30 students in grade K at a cost of \$6 per student for admission. The total anticipated cost for admission is \$180 and the total anticipated cost for transportation is \$125. Standards addressed: ESS2.E. Roper Mountain Need for Speed in Greenville, SC for 40 students in grade 4th Grade at a cost of \$20 per student for admission. The total anticipated cost for admission is \$800 and the total anticipated cost for transportation is \$300. Standards addressed: 4-PS3-1, 4-PS3-3. Eudora Farms Wild Safari in Salley, SC for 34 students in grade Kindergarten at a cost of \$15 per student for admission. The total anticipated cost for admission is \$510 and the total anticipated cost for transportation is \$125. Standards addressed: KLS 1-1. Students who participate in Title I-funded field studies will complete pre-activities and post-activities that align with the core content standards being addressed. Teachers have provided a corresponding Title I Field Experience Curriculum Activities form for each field study listed above. Admissions: \$2000 Transportation: \$1250	Contracted Services - Admissions	\$2,000.00
		Student Transportation	\$1,250.00

Strategy 3 - Provide Additional Assistance to Students	3.1 Provide a 1.0 FTE instructional assistant to support the upper elementary grades in both reading and math. School data reflects that there is a need for additional support in both reading and math so that students can master grade level standards and make academic achievement. The FTE will work alongside certified teachers to provide interventions. Expenditures includes salary and benefits. Salary: \$35,000 Benefits: \$23,000	Salary	\$35,000.00
		Benefits	\$23,000.00
Strategy 3 - Provide Additional Assistance to Students	3.2 Provide tutoring opportunities via Early Bird, during the school day, extended day and/or weekend program(s) to targeted students. Staff will provide small group instruction based on student deficits as identified by universal screening data, teacher observations and/or common formative assessment scores. Certified staff will earn \$50 per hour. Classified staff will earn \$25 per hour on an hourly rate determined by Human Resources. No cost activity.	N/A	\$0.00
Strategy 4 - Assist in Program Transition	4.1 The school will provide internal support to assist in the transition between grade levels to ensure the academic gains and growth remain consistent. No cost activity.	N/A	\$0.00
Strategy 5 - Ensure Instruction by Properly Certified Teachers	5.1 Provide an internal mentoring program to teachers within the first 3-years of teaching or new to Arden Elementary. School administration and content coaches will provide one-on-one or small group support on district initiatives and resources during common planning times and/or after school hours. No cost activity.	N/A	\$0.00

Strategy 6 - Provide Professional Development Opportunities for Teachers and Staff	6.1 During the 2026-27 school year, staff at Arden will travel to the following in-state and/or out-of-state conferences: Innovative Schools Summit for 1 administrator, 2 certified teachers at a rate of \$2454.08 per person (July 2027, in Las Vegas, NV). SCASA for 2 administrators at a rate of \$2115 per person (June 2027, in Myrtle Beach, SC). PSLA for 1 certified teacher at a rate of \$1870 per person (February 2027, in North Charleston, South Carolina). NCTE NCTM Joint Conference for 2 certified teachers at a rate of \$1089 per person (August 2026, in Charlotte North, Carolina). SCASL for 1 certified teacher at a rate of \$200 per person (March 2027, in Columbia, South Carolina). PSSCAC for 1 certified counselor at a rate of \$1055 per person (January 2027, in TBD). ACTFL for 1 certified teacher at a rate of \$2900 per person (November 2026, San Antonio, TX). All professional development travel opportunities listed above will help improve academic and behavioral outcomes for students. Information will be shared with others during scheduled professional development sessions and Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). Total for in-state conferences: \$8000 Total for out-of-state conferences: \$8197	Contracted Services - Registration, Lodging, Meals, Travel	\$16,197.00
	6.2 Provide ongoing, job-embedded professional development to teachers through monthly coaching sessions in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics. External consultants with expertise in state academic standards will conduct grade-level-specific professional development to build teacher capacity, deepen content knowledge, and improve instructional practices aligned to rigorous state standards. The vendors will work with teachers 6 times each year. The daily rate for the ELA vendor is \$1500. The daily rate for the math vendor is \$1500 with a mileage per diem. Contracted Services: \$19,200	Contracted Services - Professional Development	\$19,200.00
Strategy 7 - Recruit and Retain Highly Effective Teachers	7.1 The school will begin the year with a team building day to strengthen internal collaboration, trust and relationships among school staff to continue to strengthen the climate and culture of the building. No cost activity.	N/A	\$0.00

Strategy 8 - Provide Meaningful Parent/Family Engagement	8.1 Host regular parent and family engagement events to build partnerships with families and provide practical strategies for supporting student success at home. Events will address key areas impacting student achievement: attendance, behavior, and academics. By equipping families with evidence-based strategies and resources, the school strengthens the home-school connection and creates a unified approach to student support.	Parent Instructional Supplies	\$500.00
	Parent Instructional Supplies: \$500 Parent Refreshments: \$1000 Parent Technology Supplies: \$600	Parent Refreshments	\$1,000.00
		Parent Technology Supplies	\$600.00
Strategy 9 - Include Teachers in Decision-Making Process to Improve Instruction	9.1 Provide opportunities for staff to collaborate, analyze data, unwrap standards, plan for academic interventions, and create common formative assessments. Sessions will occur throughout the summer months and the academic school year. No cost activity.		\$0.00
Strategy 10 - Coordinate Programs with ESSA	10.1 Provide a stipend for a school based Title I Contact person who will ensure that all Title I activities are properly documented and necessary files are uploaded to Title I Crate based based on District timelines. The Title I Contact will serve as a liaison between the school and the Title I Consultant. This staff member will attend periodic trainings and have regular meetings with the school's assigned Title I Consultant. Expenditures will include a \$2500 stipend for the year and benefits. Stipend: \$2500 Benefits: \$191.25	Stipend	\$2,500.00
		Benefits	\$191.25
Goals: 1. By 2026-2027, 52.5% of students will score meets or exceeds on the English/Language Arts SC READY assessment. 2. By 2026-2027, 42.3% of students will score meets or exceeds on the SC READY Math assessment. 3. By 2026-2027 reduce the chronic absenteeism rate by 3% or below the state level of 22.5%.		Allocation	\$119,200.00