

KINGSBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Grades: Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 5
Opening/Closing: 7:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.
School Colors: Purple and White
School Mascot: Knights
School Theme: Where Knowledge is King
Enrollment: 815
Average Class Size: 23

Brief Summary of Instructional Program _____

Kingsbury Elementary is meeting the profile of the South Carolina graduate and developing world class skills in our students by providing innovative and challenging learning experiences in a safe, supportive and culturally diverse environment. Our school strives to maximize the potential of every child through strong relationships, high expectations and quality instruction.

Kingsbury's faculty and staff work together diligently to implement highly effective teaching strategies. These include: guided math, guided reading, CAFÉ model, Lucy Calkins writing program, differentiated instruction, integration of subject area content and use of FOSS Science Kits. The addition of two reading interventionists has provided more intensive remediation to under achieving students in their identified areas of weakness. Math interventionists are successfully working with our teachers to assist all students in mastering the required standards. The Kingsbury science lab continues to provide hands on

learning activities for our students. The courtyard garden is currently being transformed into an outdoor classroom. The Read to Succeed initiative was effectively executed through professional development and support provided by our reading coach. The entire instructional team continues to promote best practices in teaching and provide the resources needed to raise student achievement.

Kingsbury is committed to developing well rounded students. This year our fine arts department produced programs integrating dance, drama, and chorus music. Kingsbury is currently implementing the ABC (Arts and Basic Curriculum) grant totaling \$34,527 over a three year period. Our PBIS program continues to provide positive behavior incentives for our students. The Knights in Training and GEMS mentoring programs offer excellent role models for our students to emulate and develop strong character traits. Kingsbury students are also taught the value of serving others, and our school participates in numerous service projects.

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Outstanding Features and Programs

- ALEKS
- Extra Math
- Guided Reading and Guided
- Lucy Calkins Writing Workshop
- Math Leveled Literacy Intervention
- Math Coach
- Math Tutor
- Math for Today
- Number of the Day
- QUEST- Talented and Gifted Program
- Reading Coach
- Reading Eggs
- Reading Interventionist
- Reflex Math
- Science Lab
- TigTag, Digital Readworks, and Tumblebooks
- Art, Music, Drama and PE
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Computer Lab
- Special Education Programs
- Guidance Services
- One to Global Chromebooks
- Promethean Boards
- Character Education
- Outdoor Nature Center
- Knightly News Daily Student Broadcast
- Full Time Registered Nurse
- After School Care (PERK)
- Positive Behavior Intervention Support
- Science Fair
- Choir
- Student Nature Trail
- Student Mentoring Program

Recent Awards and Honors

- AdvancED Accreditation
- Recipient of the Arts in Basic Curriculum Grant.
- Recipient of Sumter Education Foundation \$2,025 Classroom Library Donation from BD
- PTA Reflection Winners
- National Board Certified Teachers
- District Teacher of the Year Finalist

Special Student Incentives

- Gold and Silver Knights
- Bronze Knights
- Perfect Attendance Awards
- King's Coins
- Terrific Kids
- BUG (Bringing Up Grades) Club

Extracurricular Activities

- Principal's Council
- Respect All People Club
- Safety Patrol
- Newcomers' Club
- Terrific Kid Club
- Student Council
- Knights in Training
- GEMS
- Drama Club
- Military Kids Club

Parent and Teacher Opportunities

- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- Teacher Advisory Council (TAC)
- School Improvement Council (SIC)
- Parent Workshops
- Reading Night
- Math and Science Night
- Fall Carnival
- Spring Talent Show
- Boo Hoo Breakfast

Community Involvement

- Principal for the Day
- Shower Shaw with Cookies
- Pennies for Patients
- Jump Rope for Heart
- United Way Campaign
- Ronald McDonald House Tab Program
- Veteran's Day Program
- Grandparent's Day Program
- Volunteer Luncheons
- Business Partners
- Community Mentoring Program
- Relay for Life
- American Heart Walk
- Toys for Emmanuel Church
- United Ministries Canned Food Drive
- Teacher Cadets, AmeriCorp, and Kiwanis

Faculty Profile

Kingsbury currently has 48 teachers and a total of 58 professional staff members. This includes one principal, three assistant principals, two guidance counselors, one reading interventionist, one instructional coach, one reading coach, one math coach and two speech language pathologists. Of the 48 teachers, three serve autistic students, three serve resource students and one serves learning disabled students. There are 24 classroom paraprofessionals and four office paraprofessionals to include a secretary, receptionist, attendance clerk, and guidance secretary. Additionally, there is one registered nurse, eight cafeteria workers and six custodians. Eleven teachers are National Board Certified.