

WILDER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Grades: PreKindergarten through 5th
Opening/Closing: 7:40AM - 2:15 PM
School Colors: Blue and White
School Mascot: Thunderbirds
School Theme: "Transforming Children Today to be Leaders Tomorrow"
Enrollment: 491
Average Class Size: 23

Brief Summary of Instructional Program_____

Wilder Elementary School provides an academically challenging, safe and nurturing learning environment. Our world class educators use data to drive instruction, which fosters students' growth and develops the skills as well as life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate. Educators utilize Measures of Academic Progress (MAP), the Next Step Guided Reading Assessment of students, common assessments, and running records as primary sources for student data.

In an effort to create a world class learning environment, teachers use instructional best practices such as Café, Daily 5, Fantastic 5, Drops in a Bucket, DOL, Technology, Hands-On-Instruction, Differentiated Instruction, Flexible Grouping, and informational text daily to help students develop

knowledge and skills to compete locally as well as globally. Students use manipulatives and hands-on science experiments to enhance math and science skills. Quality instruction and Technology are supported at Wilder to increase student engagement. The staff and community share the mission to provide all children with an opportunity to excel academically and socially. In order to best prepare our students for college and career readiness, we provide our teachers with ongoing professional development activities focused on delivery of instruction using research-based instructional strategies. Schools within the school allow teachers to collaborate on many topics that help support classroom instruction and professional growth. In addition, we promote life and career characteristics with an emphasis on civic duty and a commitment to community service.

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Outstanding Features and Programs

- Leveled Literacy Library
- Intervention
- LLI
- Full Time Registered Nurse
- Art, Music and Physical Education
- Quest Programs
- Guidance Services
- Speech Services
- Special Education Programs
- Science Fair
- PERK Before and After School Care
- Soaring High Morning Show
- Career Day
- Promethean Boards
- Media Lab
- Character Education
- SIC/Academic Attire
- PTA Reflections

Recent Awards and Honors

- AdvancED Accreditation
- PTA Reflections Winners
- National Board Certified Teachers
- USC Academy of Science Winners
- Bullying Contest Winner

Extracurricular Activities

- Choir
- Student Council
- Recycling Club
- Safety Patrol
- Early Bird Club
- B.I.G. Club
- G.I.R.L's Club
- Dazzling Dancers

Special Student Incentive Programs

- Soaring High Kids
- Terrific Kids

- Honor Roll - A and B and Effort
- Quarterly Behavior Awards
- Perfect Attendance
- Writer of the Week

Parent and Teacher Opportunities

- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- Teacher Advisory Council (TAC)
- School Improvement Council (SIC)
- Teacher Forum
- Parent Workshops
- Black History Celebration
- Parent Volunteers
- Grade Level Workshops
- 100 Family Member Read Day
- Back to School Bash
- Fall Community Festival
- Spring Community Festival

Community Involvement

- Shower Shaw with Cookies
- United Way Campaign
- Canned Food Drive
- Pennies for Patients
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Veteran's Day Celebration
- Career Day
- Business Partners
- Principal for the Day
- Volunteer Luncheon
- Grandparent's Day Celebration

Faculty Profile

We have 32 teachers, and one is National Board Certified. Our full-time Registered Nurse assists parents, students and staff with various medical needs. Wilder Elementary teachers continue to learn new methods aimed at teaching our students skills matched to the South Carolina standards through district and school sponsored workshops.