Florence County School District Four

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Superintendent's Message

DR. RECHEL M. ANDERSON, ED.D.
SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Parents, Stakeholders, and Community Members,

It is a pleasure to serve Florence School District Four in the lofty enterprise of educating our children for success both today and tomorrow!

Our 2018 theme is ‘A Taste of Florence Four! Persevere ~ Empower ~ Innovate.’ These are truly exciting times for our schools and community as we work towards providing our students with a stellar education.

Florence School District Four Schools are on the move! We are reimagining how our district, schools and educational programs prepare all students for success in college and career. As a result, we are in the midst of rebranding our district’s image, adding a STEM Lab (K-8), installing a new surveillance system, installing a new marquee and flat panels to provide on-going and immediate information, and expanding our CATE Program to include Health/Science.

Using the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate, as a guide, we are ensuring that our district’s focus supports the profile, and serve as a roadmap to guide our organization on the way to becoming A Premier Learning Community. The vision for our future will equip our graduates with the 21st century skills they need and give them a competitive advantage in the global marketplace.

Thank you for investing in our schools and community! Your continued support is essential for our ability to provide a high quality educational experience for all of our students in our community. Together, you can be sure we are making a difference that will pay dividends and ensure a bright future for our most precious resource – our students.

Sincerely,

Rechel M. Anderson

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Our School Board

On behalf of the Florence County School District Four School Board, thank you for entrusting us to steer the district toward a sustainable future by adopting sound, ethical and legal governance and financial management policies.
Mission

The mission of Florence County School District Four, in unison with parents and community, is to guarantee an excellent education for each student by providing highly-qualified personnel, rigorous curriculum, and safe and well-maintained facilities.

Vision

Every student is Future Ready:
- Prepared for college
- Prepared for the global workplace
- Prepared for personal success

Our Beliefs

We believe that:
1. The needs of our children come first.
2. Each individual deserves a quality education.
3. The learning potential of each human being is unlimited.
4. The family has primary responsibility for the development of values.
5. Diversity is a strengthening quality.
6. A community’s success depends upon the involvement of its members.
7. All human beings have inherent dignity and worth.
8. High expectations produce higher results.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

October 2017  Total Students: 692

Brockington Elementary School
381 Students

Johnson Middle School
117 Students

Timmonsville High School
192 Students
A TASTE OF FLORENCE FOUR!

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Our theme drives the thinking, behavior, actions, and decision making. It is the foundation upon which individuals who continue to support Florence Four stands upon. Further, our theme serves to anchor us when faced with challenges or adversity. In addition, it provides motivation to those who seize opportunities in a manner that ultimately produces something of consequence – something that contributes to the greater good.

To address our district’s Improvement Priorities, our district’s Focus Goals will mirror the continuous improvement process of Advanc-Ed.

Our Focus Goals

1.) Create, Implement, and Monitor a Continuous Process of DATA ANALYSIS of Formative and Summative Assessments via Professional Learning Communities (PLCs).
2.) Create, Implement, and Evaluate Continuous Professional Development.
3.) Implement, and Monitor Response to Intervention (RtI) Using Research-Based Instructional Practices.
4.) Create and Implement a STEM Lab (K-8) to Enhance Student Participation in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

Student-Centered Learning

In Florence County School District Four, we are committed to Student-Centered Learning. Our students have access to Dual-Enrollment opportunities, STEM Education, and all-day Pre-Kindergarten. Learning takes place in a high-technological environment to include 1:1 devices and flat panel interactive television.
POINTS OF PRIDE

- Received a "GOOD" growth rating
- Increase in student achievement on the Social Studies state assessment
- Successfully implemented Achieve 3000

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"Creating an Academic Plan of Action is not always an easy task. However, it is very beneficial when a plan of action is created in order to target Areas of Concern along with Areas of Strength."
JOHNSON MIDDLE SCHOOL
"Empowering Students for the Future"

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Received an "Excellent" growth rating
- Increase in student achievement on the ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies state assessments
- Increase in student achievement on the Algebra I-state End of Course Exam
- Successfully implemented Achieve 3000

We are committed to preparing students to be college and career ready through continuous personalized learning.
POINTS OF PRIDE

- Increased the graduation rate 59% to 89.1%
- Increased in the state ranking of all SC High schools by 14 ranks
- Removed from the state list of Under Performing High Schools
- All 2017 graduating seniors were accepted into either a two or four-year college
- The 2017 senior class was awarded more than 1 million dollars in scholarships
- Increased the overall state End of Course U.S. History passage rate
- Successfully implemented Achieve 3000
Partnerships between schools and community are valuable to us. Parents share in the learning process of students and attend monthly parent workshops offered by the schools. We have partnerships with corporations and higher educational institutions. For years, we have maintained a strong relationship with Honda and Florence-Darlington Technical College.

Accela Transportation
Assure Tax Service
Bark Avenue Grooming Salon
BJT Alumni
Boys and Girls Club
Bracey Precision, LLC
Carbis Solutions
Carolina Splicing & Terminating Co, LLC
Chaney Grove Baptist Church
Chic-Fil-A
Class of 2003
Clemson Extension
Coca Cola Bottling Company
Cold Stone Creamer
Deliverance Tabernacle Church
Hi-Impact Signs
Honda of SC
Krispy Kreme
Jefferson & Associates, LLC
LeaderComm - United Methodist Church
Mashack Landscape & Nursery
McDonald’s
Mural Mural on the Wall
Pete’s Barber Shop
Pepsi Cola Bottling
Poynor Adult Education
SCDOT
Skool Aid

Favor of God International Ministries
Fellowship Church of God
Fisher Photography Photo Shoot
Florence County First Steps
Florence Darlington Technical College
Florence County Sheriff Office
Florence County Chamber of Commerce
Francis Marion University
Floyd’s Convenience Store, LLC
Forest Lake Greenhouse
Gene’s Jewelry
George’s Restaurant
Gloria’s Sweets
Hart to Hart Florist
Sparrow Swamp Baptist Church
Joe’s Food Truck
Town of Timmonsville
Timmonsville Area Ministerial Alliance
Timmonsville Public Library
Timmonsville IGA
Truluck’s Seafood Restaurant
VirtualSC
Wal-Mart
Webster Rogers
Zaxby’s
Zion Canaan Daycare

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PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

"This Report is issued by Florence County School District Four School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year."