

Awards and Grants

- · Christa Morrison awarded Teacher of the Year
- Donors Choose (Grants)
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetables (Grant)
- Bosch BE3ST STEM Sphero Robotics (Grant)
- Dreambox (SCDE)
- Mullins Grant



Who to contact

ADMINISTRATORS

Principal Ronda Simmons

Assistant Principal Lakeshia Rainey

School Counselor Maureen Campbell

Mental Health Counselor Rachel Reed

> Attendance Clerk Tia Ginter

Social Worker Casie Butler



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT TO THE PARENTS: SIC GOALS

Goal 1: Build home libraries for every student

Goal 2: Cultivate a culture of empathy

SIC Members 2022-2023 Mercedes Santiago Aguilar, Parent Andre Gambrell, Parent Shayla Abercrombie, Chair Andrew Little, Teacher Jennifer McNeil, Community Member Bernadette Leamon, Community Member



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ACADEMIC

SUPPORTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- On Track Team
- Reading intervention programs: Reading Recovery, Reading Horizons, and LLI
- Savvas
- LETRS Science of Reading
- Academic coaching from the instructional leadership team
- Wildcat Morning Tutoring for 2nd and 4th grade students
- Specialized instruction for students with special needs, exceptional abilities, English learners, gifted /talented
- · Instructional coaches and reading specialist
- Tutoring program 3rd and 4th grade students
- 1-1 Chromebooks for grades K4 5th
- Guidance classes with all grade levels
- · School-based mental health counselor

Partnerships with Community Organizations:

Advent United Methodist Church, Buncombe Street UMC, Greenville Alliance of Ministers' Wives & Ministers' Widows, Shady Oak Baptist Church, Long Branch Baptist Church, SynTerra Corporation, Southside High Avid, Gantt Fire Department, Rapid Fire Pizza, Papa Johns

STUDENTS

- Battle of the Books
- Honor Roll/attendance recognitions
- Terrific Kids
- Girls on the Run
- Good News Club
- Broadcast team
- Field trips
- Parent donations and class support
- S.T.E.A.M. Tower Competition
- Happy Hooves School at the Barn
- Rock Your School Day
- Special Olympics

MISSION, VISION, AND CORE BELIEFS

The mission of Thomas E. Kerns Elementary School is to develop successful, responsible, and respectful life-long learners.



We strive to encourage a culture of excellence for students, staff, parents, and community.



We believe...

All children can learn.

Teachers are responsible for providing a high-quality education to all students and encouraging strong collaboration with families.

Education should be developmentally appropriate and differentiated to meet individual needs.



SOCIAL EMOTIONAL

SUPPORTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Parent/Teacher conferences
- School Improvement Council
- Monthly parent engagement opportunities
- Home/School Compact
- · Backpack Blessings food distributions
- SEL room with small groups
- Conscious Discipline



Student Achievement

TEK 2022 SC Ready Student Achievement ELA 31.2% proficient

ELA31.2% proficientMATH34.6% proficient

TEK 2022 SC PASS Science 33.7% proficient