

## School Achievements

*Celebrate With Us*

### Community Connections

Monarch Elementary and the Monarch PTA are fortunate to have both financial and program support from community partners such as Mentor Upstate, Edwards Law, J Michael Manley Team, Ben Daniel Dentistry, Mathnasium, Harrison Orthodontics, Sylvan, Larkspur Point, Godfrey-Wilson & Assoc., Scan Source and many others.

### State Recognitions

Palmetto's Finest Winner  
 TransformSC Member for meeting BIE Gold Standards for Project-based Learning  
 Recipient of Palmetto Gold Awards for High Academic Performance  
 Numerous PTA Awards including 100% and Top 10 Membership Awards, SC PTA Volunteers of the Year, SC PTA Students of the Year, and SC PTA Reflections winners  
 Jump Rope for Heart Top Earner Awards for South Carolina schools  
 South Carolina Department of Education Distinguished Arts Program 3-Year Grant Recipient (\$56,991.82)  
 Honors Choir participants  
 Safe Routes to School Silver Partnership  
 FLL Robotics state and international  
 1<sup>st</sup> place SC Scholastic Chess Championship

### District Recognitions

Roper Mountain Science Center Fair winners; numerous Gold Award winners  
 GCSD Science Teacher of the Year  
 Spring Sing participants  
 Basketball Hoop Shoot winners  
 Top Ten Teacher of the Year finalist

## School Improvement Council

*Monarchs Making a Difference*

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### Monarch's SIC worked with stakeholders to:

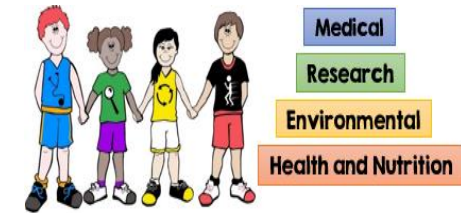
- Develop and support implementation of the Strategic Plan housed in the School portfolio
- Write the *Annual School Report to the Parents*
- Assist Mr. Loach with the SC Report Card narrative
- Advise on the use of school funds
- Attend school and district events
- Serve as a Guidance Advisory Council
- Develop mentoring groups
- Incorporate mentors for students in need of extra support with training through Mentor Upstate
- Purchase speed sign for Five Forks Rd.
- Research grants to purchase playground equipment for special needs students
- Create WINGS inclusion program

## Monarch Elementary

*Celebrating Inquiry,  
Innovation and Creativity*

## Annual School Improvement Council

### "Report to the Parents" 2021-2022



Mark Loach, Principal  
 Jennifer Woody, Assistant Principal  
 Jami Christian, Administrative Assistant

Kylie Putman, SIC Chair  
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The mission of Monarch is to build inspired and prepared learners and leaders who are encouraged to discover and develop their unique talents and abilities.

## Performance Goals

### *Blueprint for Success*

#### **Student Achievement**

**Performance Goal:** *Raise the academic challenge and performance of each student.*

**Performance Statement:** *Meet the state and federal accountability objectives for all students and subgroups in Math, English Language Arts, Science and Social Studies.*

**3rd-5th SC Ready ELA spring 2021**

**Meeting/Exceeding Expectation 75%**

**3rd-5th SC Ready Math spring 2021**

**Meeting/ Exceeding Expectation 77%**

**4th- SCPASS Science spring 2021**

**Meeting/ Exceeding Expectation 82.9%**

**5th SCPASS Social Studies spring 2019**

**Meeting/ Exceeding Expectation 95.1%**

*(Due to Covid -19 Pandemic 2019 is the last time students were testing for SCPASS Social Studies)*

#### **Teacher/Administration Quality**

**Performance Goal**

*Ensure quality personnel in all positions.*

**Performance Statement**

*Provide professional development in alignment with Monarch's mission.*

#### **School Climate**

**Performance Goal**

*Enhance family and community involvement in activities related to curriculum standards.*

**Performance Statement**

*Increase family involvement and community partnerships to extend and improve communication, understanding, support, and engagement in education.*

## Our School

### *Established August 2012*

Monarch is the first elementary school in the state and one of the few in the nation to focus on Health Sciences. The community has embraced the school, and the demand for future student placement from the neighboring areas is immense.

A project/problem-based (PBL) learning approach coupled with student voice and choice provide real-world connections. Curriculum-based learning menus with attention given to multiple intelligences allow students to thrive. A rigorous and relevant curriculum ensures each student is academically advantaged.

#### **2021-2022 Ethnicity Summary**

# of Students = 882

Asian	6%
African-American	8%
Hispanic	7%
Other	8%
Caucasian	70%

With more than 26 countries/languages represented at Monarch, students learn in a culturally diverse setting.

Monarch uses innovative measures rich in best practices. Prior to COVID, many visitors have come to Monarch each year to observe our PBL.

A partnership with Prisma Health and generous contributions from parents and the Roper Mountain Science Center, our on-site science/STEAM lab provides students with problems to investigate and inquiry-rich experiences.

Clinical speakers and other experts in the field of Health Sciences provide authentic career connections and teach the students the importance of science in everyday life.

Monarch has a cafeteria where all food served is low fat, healthy, and prepared fresh daily.

Capitalizing on research that supports healthy movement, all students in 4K -5<sup>th</sup> enjoy rocking chairs designed by the Pediatric Therapy Network. Intermediate students can participate in our Running Club. Brain Breaks are incorporated during the school day.

Students benefit from a technology-rich campus. The 1:1 device initiatives promote inquiry and allow students to checkout eBooks. The Google Classroom suite promotes collaborative learning.

Monarch's technology includes Promethean boards in each classroom, a portable Promethean ActivBoard, 1:1 devices for each student, and unique software that enriches learning experiences for the students. Greenville County Schools has provided 1:1 Chromebooks for all of our students in grades K-5. PTA and the school have purchased additional devices to support our technology initiatives.