

## SCHOOL'S MESSAGE

Upon entering our building, one can immediately sense the child-centered atmosphere that has made Laurel Hill Primary School (LHPS) an award-winning school. At LHPS we are committed to the success of each child. Our students continue to grow in all areas: academically, socially, physically and artistically where we are determined to provide a child-centered and developmentally appropriate learning environment in each of our classrooms. We are proud to consistently be the highest rated Primary School in the state.

One area of professional development focus this year relates to classroom community and developing positive classroom culture. Many teachers have implemented 'Responsive Classroom' practices and we have seen excellent results. One way to measure educator excellence is through National Board certification. We are proud that seventeen of our teachers are Nationally Board Certified. LHPS is also happy to announce that we have maintained our accreditation through the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). This prestigious status has been described as the gold standard by which early childhood programs are evaluated.

Various annual events were once again held for our school community including Family Fun (Reading & Math) Night, Arts Night, and our Turtle Trot. LHPS is proud of our current success, and we are committed to continued improvement in all aspects of educating our children. We appreciate the support from our PTA, School Improvement Council (SIC), Park West Campus Education Fund, parents and the Mt. Pleasant community, whose partnerships involve volunteering, fundraising and organizing various events. The primary goal at Laurel Hill Primary School is to challenge every one of our students to meet his or her greatest potential. We focus daily on helping our children cultivate a love of learning that will last a lifetime.

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Monte Jacques,  
Chairperson

Michael Antonelli

Brandy Bocelli

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### AWARDS

Top Rated Primary School in South Carolina 2012, 2013 & 2014\*  
(\*The state did not calculate ratings in 2015)

NAEYC Accreditation, 2008 & 2013

SC Literacy Spot Award, 2011

SCPTA Award of Excellence, 1st place, 2008

Riley SIC Award, Honorable Mention, 2008

Community of Readers Award, 2007

SC Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, 1st place, School Award, 2007

Red Carpet Award, 2005

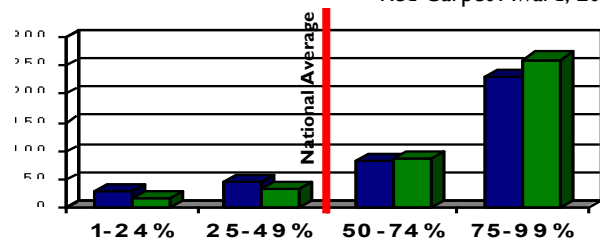
### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

#### Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)

MAP assessments measure our students' general knowledge in reading and math. These tests provide information as to the specific strengths and weaknesses of our students. They also provide us with the instructional level of each child. The information below represents the 2nd grade MAP scores from the Spring 2015 test administration.

#### MAP Summary:

The vast majority of our 2nd grade students (81% in Reading and 88% in Math) scored above the national average.



**Spring 2015 MAP Data**  
x axis = national percentiles  
y axis = # of students  
50 = National average



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