

FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT 3

A PREMIER DISTRICT OF CHOICE



July 17, 2025

*Ensuring Our Students Are College and/or Career Ready & Are Productive and Responsible
Members of Society*

SUMMER LEARNING 2025 RECAP

Overview:

This summer, we provided **robust learning and enrichment opportunities** for students across all grade levels through a variety of targeted camps and programs. Our goal was to ensure continued academic growth, engagement, and readiness for the upcoming school year.

Impact at a Glance:

- **Students Served:** Over **400 students**
- **Grade Levels:** **4K through 12th Grade**
- **Number of Camps:** **20 unique summer programs**

• **Focus Areas:**

- Early Literacy & Numeracy (4K–2nd)
- Reading and Math Intervention Camps (Grades 3–8)
- High School Credit Recovery & Readiness
- STEAM, Leadership, and Arts Enrichment
- Social-Emotional Learning and College Prep



☀ Highlights:

- **Targeted Reading Camps** aligned to support promotion requirements and address learning loss.
- **Enrichment camps** offered project-based learning, technology integration, and creative expression.
- **High school programming** included credit recovery, college and career readiness workshops, and mentorship opportunities.
- **Daily attendance and student engagement** were strong, demonstrating families' investment and students' eagerness to learn year-round.



🎯 Outcomes & Next Steps:

- Strong academic gains, particularly in reading fluency and foundational math skills.
- Increased student confidence and readiness heading into the new school year.
- Positive family feedback on the structure, engagement, and relevance of offerings.
- Plans to expand and refine programming in summer 2026 based on feedback and outcomes.

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Offerings Included:

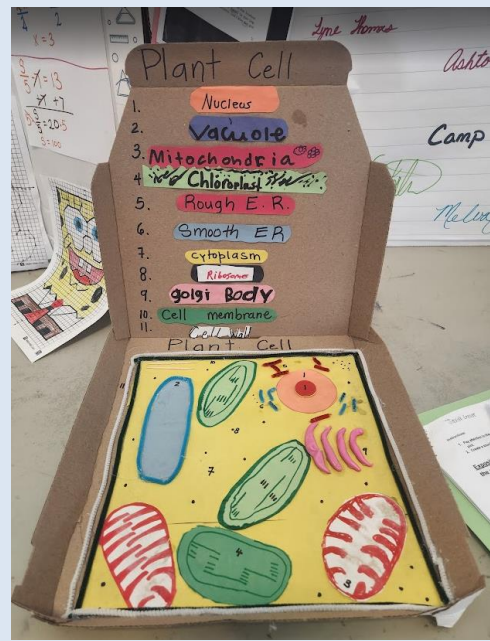
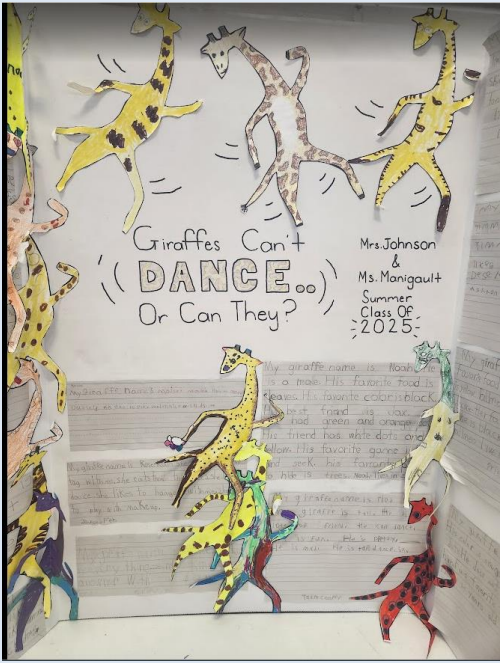
- *Dance Troupe Camp*
- *Band Camp (Including Color guard & Dance Teams)*
- *Photography Camp with Mrs. Nettles*
- *Middle/High Visual Arts Camp with Olio Studio*
- *Middle/High Music Camp with Polyphony Music*
- *Elementary Visual Arts Camp with Olio Studio*
- *Elementary Music Camp with Mrs. Neil*



Summer Arts Programming



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CTE Summer Experiences

CTE summer camps were very successful this year. **Celebrity Chef Tasha Mac** held two camps – one for **secondary students** and one for **elementary students** – serving a total of about **20 students**. Students learned culinary skills that included knife handling, safety procedures, food handling, and of course, cooking! The secondary students used a Mardi Gras theme as they prepared culinary delights from New Orleans, while the elementary students prepared a breakfast brunch for their guests.



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The **building construction** students spent the summer building “buddy benches” that will be donated to the elementary schools. Students in this camp also made personal items like bird house and plaques. These students learned skills such as reading blueprints, using power tools, and collaborative teamwork to complete their projects. This camp was sponsored by **Harbor Freight Fellows**, and all 12 participants earned \$250 stipends for successfully completing the camp.



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Students participating in the **Dr. Ronald E. McNair Aviation Camp** spent a week building and launching rockets, building and flying drones, and using flight simulators to land an airplane. The 5 students participating in this camp described the hands-on activities as “fun” and inspiring. Students particularly enjoyed the rocket launches that challenged them to build a rocket that would launch and land successfully without breaking its cargo—an egg! Students also enjoyed building their own drones and navigating them.



Please join us as we celebrate these students for completing this real-world experience that focused on career pathways that support the industrial maintenance sector.

Torrance Wilson

Sherard Jackson

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Learning & Growing

Admin Professional Development-

Focusing on Data Driven Decisions and Goals

July:

- Admin PD- focused on Vision & Goals
 - Playbook: Making Everyday Count
 - Cognia Review
 - ADEPT Review
- New Employee & New Teacher Orientation
 - IRLA PD
 - Leader in Me- new teachers and school level PD
- Coaches & School Leaders with SCDE Literacy Leads
- District & School Level Back to School PD
 - All Things ELA with LETRS
 - All Things Math: Ready PD with new Math Standards and Curriculum

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July 22nd Opening Ceremony at 8:30 am- LCHS

July 31st – Open House 3:00 -7:00 pm

August 4th- First Day of School

August 14th- Back to Parent Conference 6:00 pm



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