

Superintendent's Report for October 2022



FSD3- A Premier District of Choice



Ensuring Our Students Are College or Career Ready Productive and Responsible members of society.



Legislative Updates

- **Fall legislative preview webinar on Wednesday, November 2 at noon.**
- **The Webinar will cover hot topic and issues that will be on the 2023 legislative agenda.**
- **There is no registration fee for this event; however, you MUST register to receive Boardmanship Institute credit.**

FSD3 DISTRICT UPDATES

Salary Study Update:

- Received a recommendations from our Finance Consultant.
- We will now request proposals /bids.
- **Services** (Conduct a salary Study for all employee classifications; Develop salary scales, and develop job descriptions)





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September 28, 2022

Mrs. Laura Hickson
Florence County School District 3
P.O. Drawer 1389
Lake City, SC 29560-1389

Dear Ms. Hickson:

The South Carolina Department of Education has completed the annual accreditation and monitoring desk audits as required by State Board of Education Regulation 43-300. The findings from these audits gave each district a final accreditation classification for the 2021–22 school year. Enclosed, please find a listing of each individual accreditation classification and a summary of the district operations and every school in your district. Please forward accreditation classifications along to the appropriate entities.

On October 11, 2022, the State Board of Education will also receive these findings in the 2021–22 Annual Report of the Accreditation of School Districts in South Carolina.

Thank you for working hard to ensure each student in South Carolina receives a world-class education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sarah Longshore".

Dr. Sarah C. Longshore,
Director, Federal and State Accountability

District Summary 2021–22: Accreditation Classifications

Florence 3

Board of Trustees		Cognia Accredited
District Operations		Cognia Accredited
Summer Schools		Accredited/All Clear
Florence 2, 3, and 5 Adult ClearEducation		Accredited/All
J. C. Lynch Elementary	PK-6	Cognia Accredited
Lake City Early Childhood Center	PK-2	Cognia Accredited Cognia Accredited
Main Street Elementary	3-6	Cognia Accredited
Olanta Elementary	PK-6	Cognia Accredited
Scranton Elementary	PK-6	Cognia Accredited
J. Paul Truluck Creative Arts and Science Magnet	6-12	Cognia Accredited
Ronald E. McNair Junior High	7-8	Cognia Accredited
Lake City High	9-12	Cognia Accredited

FSD3 Awarded \$225,000 for District Summer Learning Network

- The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) awarded Florence County School District 3 with an Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) III District Summer Learning Network (DSLN) subgrant.
- •These funds must be used for planning and summer school programs in partnership with FHI 360 Group.
- •These funds will pay the expenses for Mary, Ned, and me to attend the DSLN Conference in DC, where we will present our work with EQUITY.



Save the Date: Board /Leadership Retreat

- November 28-29, 2022.
- Venue – To be determined.
- Our Presenters are Dr. Stephen Peters and Dr. Mark Pritzl.
- Dr. Pritzl will focus on strategies for building positive Board relationships.
- Dr. Stephen Peters will focus on our Operational Goals and strategies for moving the needle / producing Impact over the next 2 years, three years, five years.

Below is the tentative schedule:

- Day 1 - November 28th--- 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
- Day 2 - November 29th ---9:00 pm - 4 pm

We look forward to working with our students, staff, parents, stakeholders, communities, supporters and businesses to produce TRANSFORMATIONAL IMPACT!

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