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# JACKSON STEM

Middle School



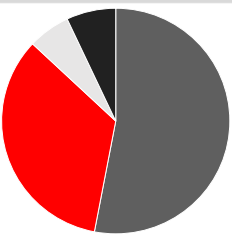
Jackson Middle School is a rural public middle school located in Jackson, South Carolina. The school facility was built in 1955 due to the construction of the Savannah River Plant. It was converted to a middle school and opened the 1981-82 school year as Jackson Middle School.



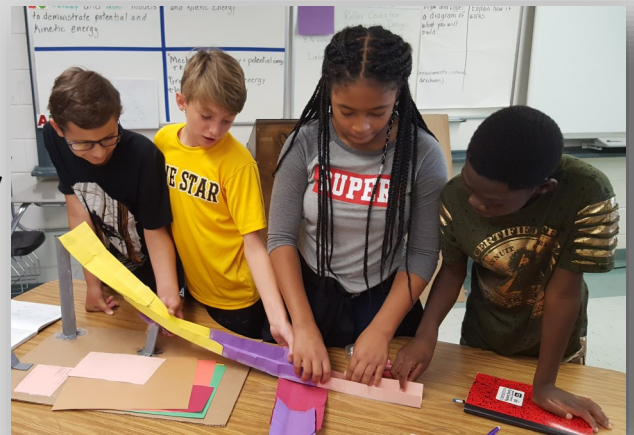
Jackson STEM Middle School is one of only 54 schools in the world to receive national STEM certification through AdvancED, the nation's premier education accrediting agency. To earn this certification, Jackson STEM Middle School fully demonstrated the successful implementation of STEM programming.



In addition to STEM certification, Jackson Middle School has received numerous Palmetto Gold & Silver Awards from the State Department of Education, a Making Middle Grades Work Depth of Implementation Award and a STEM Implementation Award from the Southern Regional Education Board.



Our current school population of 351 students comes mostly from the Jackson and Beech Island areas. Our student body consists of 54% Caucasian/white students, 36% African American/black, and 4% Latino/Hispanic, and 6% Mixed Race and Other Nationalities



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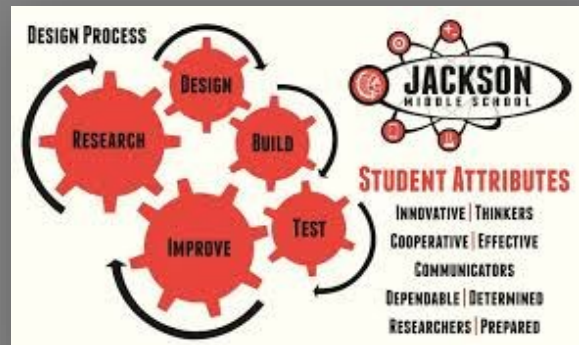


Students are allowed to pursue their interests during STEM Club Days, Advisory Period, or after school. After-school activities include collaborating on group projects, practicing a musical instrument, or participating on a sports or academic competition team. Teachers are available for tutoring before and after school.



Parent and community involvement is important to Jackson. Parents may serve on the STEM Advisory Council, PTO, and School Improvement Council. We invite the community to our Veterans Day and Black History Programs, and STEM Literacy Nights. Our students have raised money for cancer awareness and the American Heart Association. They have made quilted placemats for senior citizens, greeting cards for VA Hospital patients, collected can goods and toiletries for charity, and walked to feed the hungry through UNICEF.

Our Engineering Design Process (EDP) is used throughout all classes as a thinking process that the STEM student adopts to solve problems and develop products for real world situations. Our STEM focus permeates instruction both inside and outside of the classroom through our Award Winning Future City and FLL Robotics Teams, Walls Down Interdisciplinary Unit Studies, and STEM Career Field Experiences!



### SPECIAL NEEDS

We are committed to a quality educational experience for all students, including struggling learners and those with special needs. We have a part-time nurse, paraprofessionals, and provide reading and math intervention.



### COMMUNICATION

We utilize our school website, ACPSD app, e-flyers, an automated calling system, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, regular teacher communication, two-way communication apps, and teacher conferences to stay in consistent communication with the families we serve.



### SECURITY

The safety of students and staff members is our top priority. The students and staff practice to prepare for emergency situations. The district completes automated background checks on all visitors and volunteers.

