

# To Inspire & Squip D7 Schools 2022

# **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

# Jesse Boyd Elementary (5K-5) Jonathan Duvall, Principal



Jesse Boyd is an International Baccalaureate (IB) School authorized to offer the Primary Years Program (PYP), which combines global significance, a concept driven curriculum, and guided inquiry instruction. IB schools prepare students to become active, caring, lifelong learners who demonstrate respect for themselves and others and have the capacity to participate in the world around them. Through the IB Learner Profile and the PYP Attitudes, Jesse Boyd focuses on the development of the whole child as an inquirer, both within and beyond the classroom. 1505 Fernwood Glendale Road | Spartanburg, SC 29307 | 864.594.4430 | boyd.spartanburg7.org

# **Drayton Mills Elementary** (4K-5) Thomas Webster, Principal



Drayton Mills Elementary School (DMES) is located near historic Drayton Mills. DMES offers our community a state-of-the-art facility that includes the tools and approaches needed to start students on the path to fulfilling our district's vision of graduates who are "creative, critical thinkers, collaborators, effective communicators, and ethical citizens." With its opening in the 2018, DMES joined the students of former Chapman Elementary and Houston Elementary. DMES adopted Responsive Classroom from Chapman and used Houston's Problem Based Learning as an inspiration for their own Project Based Learning (PBL) approach. Being a PBL school, many features of DMES were derived through student projects. DMES's 128,000 square foot facility includes a makerspace equipped with a variety of coding and robotics resources. Additionally, the makerspace contains materials to foster the "tinkering" that builds critical STEM interest and skills – from KNEX, LEGOs, Lincoln Logs, and Tinker Toys to 3D printers. The school hosts a production lab

that includes a green screen, a news desk, an interview space, and audio-visual equipment to allow students to create public products that can be broadcast to the school's multiple interactive screens. Classroom neighborhoods center on "inquiry hubs," high-tech collaborative spaces that accommodate special projects or multi-class groups, and each classroom includes an ActivPanel. In addition to two playgrounds, the exterior of the school includes an athletic field and a courtyard.

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# Cleveland Academy of Leadership (4K-5) Marquice Clark, Principal



The heart of Cleveland Academy of Leadership's curriculum is based on the Leader in Me model, which weaves the concepts outlined in the book The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People into every aspect of teaching and learning. Students and their families are immersed in these habits daily, instilling leadership skills both in school and at home. The Cleveland school uniform is a point of pride for our students and further advances the culture of leadership and community. Of the 2,000 schools around the world using the Leader in Me model, Cleveland was recently named a "Lighthouse School," a distinction awarded to fewer than 150 Leader in Me schools in the nation. Cleveland Academy is steadfastly committed to educating the whole child. At Cleveland, everyone will not only feel the sense of urgency for student learning, but also see it as we build a teaching and learning community based on

student needs and interests. The hope and dream for all students is to achieve meaningful academic and personal growth. They value practices that build intrinsic motivation and seek to ensure that every child has a personal connection with at least one adult in the building. The neighborhood surrounding Cleveland has recently become the focus of an exciting revitalization initiative in Spartanburg, making Cleveland a new gateway to rich educational opportunities.

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# E. P. Todd School (3K-5) Victoria Bradley, Principal



E.P. Todd School believes teachers are activators, facilitating and activating learning in students. Their goal is to inspire excellence and independence in children so that they become responsible citizens. E.P. Todd is home to the county's first public Montessori program for pre-K to grade 5 students. Montessori classes are an option for parents seeking an alternative early education choice for their children. The Montessori method focuses on the unique needs of each child, incorporating four basic objectives: coordination, concentration, order, and independence. E.P. Todd values students as members of the school family, a learning community with multifaceted instructional programs that address diverse needs. They offer a traditional educational program that enhance technology, math, and science with the ability to think globally. District 7 believes these opportunities offer

parents the choice to completely customize their child's educational experience.

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# Pine Street Elementary (5K-5) Dennis Regnier, Principal



Pine Street School opened its doors to students for the first time in 1929. Today, 93 years later, Pine Street is included on the National Register of Historic Places. With a rich academic and historical heritage and a dedicated focus on the arts, Pine Street offers a unique environment for elementary school students. Pine Street is proud to be a recipient of *The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts National Schools of Distinction in Arts Education Award*. This prestigious honor recognizes the creative learning environment at Pine Street and the arts-infused focus that promotes outstanding student achievement. Pine Street offers a rigorous academic curriculum enhanced by instruction in drawing and painting, graphic design, ballet, jazz, creative movement, music, steel and African

drumming, dramatic interpretation, creative writing, and puppetry. Arts-infused learning fosters confidence and dedication in all students. Named an *Arts in Basic Curriculum* (ABC) *Site*, by The South Carolina Arts Commission, Pine Street is a model for other schools in the state. Pine Street Elementary is one of the finest elementary schools in the state, with the success of our school a result of the strong partnerships and genuine relationships they create with our parents, students, teachers, and the community.

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# Mary H. Wright Elementary (4K-5) Tammy Jordan, Principal



Mary H. Wright Elementary focuses on improving student achievement and character education through a strong early literacy program in a technology-rich environment. MacBook laptops are part of everyday learning through the 1:1 technology initiative designed to engage students and integrate technology into project-based learning. With the recent addition of a state-of-the-art STEM station, students are encouraged to explore new and emerging technology in a gathering space that supports critical and creative thinking. Mary H. Wright is also the first school in the state to receive *Common Sense School Certification*, which teaches young people that safe, responsible digital citizenship is an important component of a good education. The school enjoys numerous strong private-public partnerships which provide a wealth of benefits to the children who are the recipients. Students at Mary H.

Wright belong to a larger community than just their school - the community cares about each child and what they do and what they want to become. 457 South Church Street | Spartanburg, SC 29306 | 864.594.4477 | marywright.spartanburg7.org

## Meeting Street Academy (PK-5) Kyndran Hilton, Principal



Meeting Street Academy Spartanburg, a public/private school of innovation partnership between Spartanburg School District 7 and Meeting Street Schools, was recently named as one of 325 National Blue Ribbon Schools. Meeting Street Academy is recognized in the "Exemplary High-Performing Schools" category, placing it among the highest performing schools as measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests. Located in the heart of the city, Meeting Street Academy Spartanburg (MSAS) provides high quality early childhood and elementary education to students from 3K to 5th grade. With two certified teachers in each classroom, Meeting Street emphasizes, in equal parts, strong academic performance and character development to create intelligent, compassionate, and resilient citizens of our community. In addition to high-curricular standards, students adhere to a code of conduct, shaped through the "Responsive Classroom" philosophy focusing on the nourishment of inner self-esteem, accountability and motivation.

Students are encouraged to embrace 9 essential *Path to Success* traits: self-control, curiosity, citizenship, gratitude, optimism, integrity, empathy and grit. Collectively, these traits help prepare our children for college and career. By establishing strong partnerships with parents and families, MSAS ensures that students are surrounded by opportunities to learn and create with high standards and even higher expectations.

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## MIDDLE SCHOOLS

# Carver Middle (6-8) Randy Edwards, Principal



Carver represents a long and distinguished history of excellence in education and is one of the county's first secondary wall-to-wall STEM (Science Technology Engineering Math) schools. In addition, Carver is the first AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) National Demonstration Site in the county – less than 2% of the 4500 plus AVID schools worldwide hold this honor. AVID is the gold standard model for creating a college going culture for middle and high school students. The program is structured to expose students to a curriculum rich in creativity, critical thinking, communication and collaboration. Carver is recognized by Learning Forward as the first Learning School in the worldwide and Learning Forward Networks – a designation that underscores the commitment of the faculty and staff to their own professional learning. With

the combination of a rigorous STEM curriculum, research-based embedded college and career strategies and a faculty who constantly strive to improve practice, Carver's future is as rich as its past.

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# McCracken Middle (6-8) Margaret Peach, Principal



McCracken Middle School has earned the prestigious designation as a National School to Watch. This honor is awarded to schools that are academically excellent, developmentally responsive and socially equitable. McCracken seeks to meet the needs of all students by providing a rigorous program of study with a focus on creating critical thinkers prepared to meet the demands of a challenging high school and college curriculum. The foundation of learning is supported by the integration of math, science, social studies, and literature through the cultivation of reading, higher-order thinking, and writing skills combined with field studies. Parent involvement is a strong cornerstone for McCracken's success and is a longstanding part of the school's culture. MMS students,

teachers, families, and community work as a team to create a nurturing environment, provide engaging learning experiences and dynamic leadership opportunities. In 2020, it opened its doors to a new campus, located prominently on the Eastside in the former Spartanburg High School. 50 Emory Road | Spartanburg, SC 29307 | 864.594.4457 | mccracken.spartanburg7.org

## HIGH SCHOOL

## Spartanburg High School (9-12) Vance Jones, Principal



As the first school in the nation to win the prestigious Blue Ribbon School Award four times, Spartanburg High School (SHS) is the flagship school in District 7. Honored by *U.S. News and World Report* and *The Washington Post* as one of the top high schools in the country, Spartanburg High has a proud record of excellence in academics, as well as the arts, athletics and extracurricular activities. The cumulative effect of all that we do in District 7 is reflected by the success of our students at SHS where each year the senior class earns millions of dollars in scholarships and over 85% of our graduates were admitted to a two or four-year college. In 2019, District 7 opened the doors to the campus of the new SHS, located prominently on the Eastside of Spartanburg. The new facility provides flexible spaces most conducive to 21st century teaching and learning and designed to support the District's progressive 1:1 technology initiative. For the

first time in District's history, the high school includes a fine arts wing with a 1000-seat performing arts center and a comprehensive athletic complex with a 7500-seat athletic stadium. Spartanburg High School has a long legacy of exceptional students - young people having success in the classroom and in the community is more than a one-day experience; it is a mindset we aim to develop for life. All students learn valuable lessons about appreciating the differences in others and building an inclusive culture. Spartanburg High students – each and every one – reflect the promise of bright futures to come.

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## TECHNICAL SCHOOL

# Daniel Morgan Technology Center Heath Roberts, Director



Daniel Morgan Technology Center (DMTC) offers a wide range of educational opportunities that align with the needs of regional and national employers. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors enroll in sequential courses that match their interests, skills, and professional goals. These hands-on classes include: Automotive Technology, Building Construction, Business Technology, Culinary Arts, Electricity, Environmental Services, Graphics and Printing, Machine Tool Technology, Computer Aided Drafting and Design, Marketing, Protective Services, Welding, and Horticulture. Work-based learning opportunities are also provided to students in all program areas. Daniel Morgan serves

Spartanburg High School and Broome High School in Spartanburg District Three. 201 Zion Hill Road | Spartanburg, SC 29307 | 864.579.2810 | www.dmtconline.org

## ALTERNATIVE LEARNING

Myles W. Whitlock Flexible Learning Center Cameron Collier, Director



The Whitlock Flexible Learning Center houses the Spartanburg County Alternative Program (SCAP), SCAP is a county school designed to enable students to continue on their pursuit of class recovery and remediation. SCAP utilizes best practices, techniques, and labs to accommodate middle and high school students. Academically advanced students have the added opportunity to take high school courses that are more suited to their individual ability, to prepare for High School Assessment Program (HSAP) remediation and SAT preparation

courses. SCAP also offers a Character Education and Community Service program in order to enrich students' knowledge of civic matters. 364 Successful Way | Spartanburg, SC 29303 | 864.594.4482 | whitlock.spartanburg7.org

## SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOOL

# McCarthy Teszler School Rene Ford, Principal



The McCarthy Teszler School for special needs students serves children and young adults from all seven school districts in Spartanburg County. For disabled or multi-handicapped students, ages 3-21, McCarthy Teszler Elementary offers a wide array of support services including: physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy. Each student also participates in library, art, music, and physical education. The Teszler division serves students five-years-old and above who are classified as severely emotionally disabled. The program focuses on academic remediation, with special attention to social skills deficits, with the plan of returning these students to a successful school career in their neighborhoods. The Vocational division serves students in these programs ages 12 to 21 to

provide them with the skills necessary to become successful in the world of work.

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# **EARLY LEARNING**

# The Franklin School Shawna Bynum, Director



Early Learning Through Discovery

The Franklin School is a model child development center operated by Spartanburg County First Steps and located in the Northside of Spartanburg. In January 2019, the center opened its doors and welcomed children and families from the Northside community and from close neighbors and partners including Wofford College, USC Upstate, and School District 7. The Franklin School is designed to serve infants, toddlers, and preschoolers from different socio-economic and cultural backgrounds in an environment where leading research and expertise on early education's best

practices take center stage. The state-of-the-art building was designed to fuel young minds by providing optimal learning experiences using both indoor and outdoor classrooms guided by nurturing caregivers.

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