

# Spann Elementary Panda Paws

"On our way, on the MOVE every day, to be WORLD class."

Mission: Spann Elementary provides opportunities to meet the academic, social and emotional needs of all learners.

Vision: Spann Elementary desires to prepare all students for the world by valuing diversity, opening their minds through personalized learning and encouraging them to be lifelong learners in the global community.

## PRINCIPALS POST

### South Carolina School Report Card - Spann Elementary Received an EXCELLENT Rating!!!



We are so proud of our students, teachers, and staff for their hard work, growth mindset, and positive attitude that led to our school being named an EXCELLENT rated school. Schools in SC are rated yearly on a scale of unsatisfactory, below average, average, good, and excellent. These ratings are based on student test scores and school climate surveys. We are most proud that our student growth indicator moved up to "GOOD", which we attribute to our focus on student personalized learning. Join us in celebrating this amazing accomplishment!

**Snacks and Celebrations:** We have several students with food allergies and/or dietary restrictions as well as health/safety restrictions due to COVID-19. Please check with your child's teacher before sending in food donations or contributions. Any food items must be commercially pre-packaged, individually wrapped items. Consider books, pencils, stickers, bookmarks, educational games, puzzles, or classroom donations in lieu of high sugar or caloric treats. These practices work in direct concert with our district's healthy choice initiative. Please make arrangements at least 48 hours prior to sending in items and coordinate this with your child's teacher. These items can be dropped off at the front office and a staff member will deliver them to class. Other meaningful ways to celebrate birthdays might include a book donation to the media center or your child's class, a fitness donation (Frisbees, jump ropes, or balls for recess) or a contribution to a Spann service project (Backpack Buddies program, Relay for Life, SPCA). Items brought in by students or dropped off by parents that don't meet the above guidelines will be returned to the parent.

#### Make Up PICTURE DAY

NOVEMBER 16th



The Kids Heart Challenge will begin in January. Our students will learn about having a healthy heart as well as some jump rope skills during P.E. class. More information coming soon



Does your child enjoy art, music and dance or have an interest in writing, producing films and taking photos? Encourage your student to have fun unleashing their inner artist with PTA Reflections! Students submit their completed works of art in one or all of the available arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts.

#### The 2022-2023 Reflections theme is "Show Your Voice"

All entries due no later than **January 7th**. For more information, official rules and online submission form, visit <https://spann.memberhub.com/w/reflections>.

#### DD2 Family Engagement Centers

Did you know SPANN Elementary has a parent resource center? (located in the back parking lot of the school) We have educational hands on tools such as books, games and activities.

All items can be signed out.

The center is open

Tuesday -Friday 730-300.

We also offer in person story time for children ages 2-5.

Tuesday and Thursday  
9-10 and 11-12.

kkocian@dorchester2.k12.sc.us  
(843) 695-2995

Story time Link in  
Newsletter located on Facebook:



#### GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS Every Minute in School Counts



#### Tardy to School/Early Dismissal Procedures

The parent/guardian of a student who arrives at school late must bring the student into the school office to sign the student in and list the reason for the student being late to school.

If a student is dismissed early, the parent/guardian must come into the school office and sign the student out, listing the reason for the early dismissal. **Please note that if a student is being signed out early, it must be done 30 minutes prior to the scheduled dismissal time.**

#### Tardy to School/Early Dismissal Interventions

If a student accumulates a total of five (5) unlawful/unexcused tardies to school and/or unlawful/unexcused early dismissals in a nine-week period, a warning letter will be sent to the student's parent/guardian.

If a student accumulates a total of ten (10) unlawful/unexcused tardies to school and/or unlawful/unexcused early dismissals in a nine-week period, the student's parent/guardian must attend a conference with an administrator to develop and sign an intervention plan.

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3rd: PTA/SIC 6pm

8th: Election Day—NO SCHOOL

10th: 5Th Grade PTA performance 6:30

14th-18th: **BOOK FAIR**

16th: Make Up Picture Day

17th: Literacy Night 6 pm

21st-25th *Thanksgiving  
Break*

29th: Summerville Tree Lighting

November 4

LAST DAY  
TO ORDER  
SPIRIT  
WEAR



#### Rollings Middle School

#### Application Time

Dorchester School District Two is now accepting student applications for R.H. Rollings Middle School of the Arts for the 2022-2023 school year. The deadline for completed applications is Friday, December 2, 2022 @ 11:59 PM. If you would like further information, please see the ddtwo.org website or call the Gifted and Fine Arts Center at 843.832.5532.



Cell Phones/Electronic Devices/Electronic Watches

- No student may possess a paging device/cell phone/electronic “smart” watch while on school property during the instructional day, including field trips.
- Exceptions are made if the student needs the phone for a medical reason. A legitimate reason must be presented to the principal in writing. The principal will decide what constitutes a legitimate reason consistent with guidelines from DD2 Board or the State Department of Education.
- A student who has a paging device/cell phone/electronic watch without permission as outlined in this policy is subject to discipline as provided by the School Board policy. Neither the school nor the district will be responsible for any lost or stolen items even as a result of confiscation.
- One who finds a student in possession of an electronic device/cell phone/electronic watch without permission must report the student to the principal/assistant principal. The device will be confiscated. Consequences are as follows:
  - Devices will be returned to parents/legal guardians.
  - All other offences- Fine of \$25.00 or retain device for the remainder of the school year.

“Students require a change of clothes for many different reasons including falling in the mud and cafeteria spills. Please place a change of clothes in your student’s book bag for all grades. Also the weather is getting cooler. Please remember to send your student with a few layers or a jacket. They often complain of being cold. And don’t forget to have your student check lost and found if they have left a jacket, lunchbox, or other article behind.

*Also, we have a new Spannda assisting the nurse: Ms. Patiance Myles. We are grateful to have her join our team at Spann!”*



FALL BOOK FAIR  
NOVEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> – 18<sup>TH</sup>

- Open from 8:00 – 1:45 daily with Family Night on November 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30! \*We will close at 12:00 on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> to pack-up the Book Fair.
- Cash, checks (made out to Spann), or credit cards will be accepted. (Please note that change cannot be given from a check.)
- Please account for 7% sales tax.
- Also, check out the **eWallet** option on our website (below) for secure, contactless checkout. The eWallet can be used online or at the school fair.
- All profits from the book fair go directly towards funding library books and programs.

Check out our website! [www.scholastic.com/bf/spann](http://www.scholastic.com/bf/spann).

BOOKS ARE OUR HEROES

Join us for Literacy Night: November 17<sup>th</sup> 6-7:00  
~ Book Fair Open 5:30-7:30 ~



This year 10 awesome artists were chosen to represent Spann Elementary School at the Coastal Carolina Fair. Their artworks will be displayed for the duration on the fair in the Exhibit Hall!

Congratulations to:

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| Julianna Volushchuk—1D | Chloe Bruce—1C     |
| Logan Trahan—1B        | Rowan Butler—2Ee   |
| Thomas Lloyd—2B        | Serenity Bowles—3C |
| Dania Torrez—4B        | Kyah Morrow—4A     |
| Tay’len Liston—5C      | Layla McGuire -5D  |

We are so proud of your hard work and dedication to your art-works! Make sure you stop by and see these masterpieces at the Coastal Carolina Fair from Oct. 27- Nov. 6!

**READ-A-THON** Thank you for donating \$4,416.00  
Spann students rocked it out with 21,998 reading minutes logged.  
**WAY TO GO!!!!!!!!!!!!**



No Bullying November

This month’s classroom guidance lessons will be pertaining to the topic of Bullying. Please encourage your child(ren) to help maintain a bully free school environment.

*Remember to always Be a Buddy, Not a Bully.*

Kiwanis Terrific Kids  
September

4K (A)	Max Haven
4K (B)	Oakley Karlinsky
PDK	Rhett Reed
KA	Aeron Csiky
KB	Paisley Showman
KC	Angelique Wine
1A	Bella Campbell
1B	Logan Trahan
1C	Sadie Liles
1D	Julianna Voloshchuk
2A	Maggie Coggins
2B	Lylah Kish
2C	Delphine Gadsden
2D	Jelani Heyward
2E	Payton Showman
3A	Felix Boomgarden
3B	Elijah Condray
3C	Melanie Martin
3D	Emma Haven
3E	Lyric Jenkins
4A	Sawyer Versprille
4B	Jaxon Perasso
4C	Ja-sheem Dais
5A	Chloe Terry
5B	Noylan Sanders
5C	Jada Scott
5D	Deondre Williams
R180	Emma Torres
Cross Cat	Lilith Fields-Feltz

**SPANN ELEMENTARY**



Pelican's Snowballs will be sold during recess on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Cost is \$4 -Cash only

They will bring a choice of 5 flavors: Blue Raspberry, Tigers Blood, Cherry, Cotton Candy, and Birthday Cake.

20% of the sales goes back to SPANN