

2016 Report Cards

Cario

Principal: Sharon E. Randall

Superintendent: Dr. Gerrita Postlewait

Board Chair: Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats

School Phone: 843-856-4595

School Website: <http://cario.ccsdschools.com/>

State Rating History*

Past Year's Ratings

2014 - Excellent

2013 - Excellent

2012 - Excellent

*Based on state law, schools and districts will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2018

World Class Knowledge

1. Rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness
2. Multiple languages, science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and social sciences*

World Class Skills

1. Creativity and innovation
2. Critical thinking and problem solving
3. Collaboration and teamwork
4. Communication, information, media and technology
5. Knowing how to learn

Life and Career Characteristics

1. Integrity
2. Self-direction
3. Global perspective
4. Perseverance
5. Work ethic
6. Interpersonal skills

Enrollment

1,236

Grades

6-8

Teachers

84

Thomas C. Cario Middle School assists our students in developing world class skills and life and career characteristics found in the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by establishing a clear vision, raising expectations for all, and focusing on service and positivity. We nurture a love of learning through challenging academics and a supportive environment where every student is valued, is taught to think critically and creatively, and is expected to model dignity and respect. Cario's mission statement is that we are "preparing resourceful, positive, service-oriented leaders of tomorrow." Our teachers instruct and model real-world skills, critical thinking, problem solving, and the soft skills needed to succeed in college and in the evolving career choices of the modern world.

Cario's faculty and staff offer a diverse and comprehensive program of studies. High school credit is available in mathematics, computers, and World Language. We offer a wide range of STEM courses through the nationally accredited *Project Lead the Way* curriculum, as well as courses in business, entrepreneurship, science, writing, video production, horticulture, health sciences, and leadership. We are extremely proud of our comprehensive and nationally recognized Fine Arts programs. We have added after-school programs in computer programming and finance. Our support programs include various classes, intervention periods, and Saturday School.

Character building, leadership, and community outreach are strongly emphasized here at Cario. We have launched a school-wide Capturing Kids' Hearts program to increase relational capacity among all stakeholders. We teach that happiness is a choice and is strongly founded upon service to others. We have built powerful student leadership organizations through National Junior Honor Society and student council, among others. Our students are involved in philanthropic endeavors that leave large footprints on our community, working with national and local organizations, and even creating an in-house food bank. We offer a diverse range of clubs that include competitive academics, art, drama, STEM, leadership, horticulture, Star Wars, and literacy, among many others. Our students are involved and highly successful in sports through the recreation department and various private organizations. Cario prides itself on strong community-school relationships that include business partnerships, community outreach, and incredibly active and helpful parent support. This is evident through our PTSO, SIC, Park West Education Fund, and volunteer networking. We could not be as successful as we are without our committed and supportive parent and community groups!

At Cario, we believe in continuing to celebrate our wonderful successes, while challenging ourselves to be innovative and responsive to the ever-changing needs of our 21st century learners. We work to ensure each student will be a highly successful, competitive South Carolina graduate and national and world leader.

Sharon E. Randall, Principal

Amy Boyd, SIC Chair