

Newsletter

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Upcoming Events October

- 24: Champion Tuesday
[Schedule](#)
- 25: PSAT Testing

November

- 19: Champion Tuesday
[Schedule Link](#) (this schedule is still being built so it will update as more information is available)

Stay in the know and check out our
NEW page!

All Upcoming and Past Newsletters
with links and department
information can be found there.

An ongoing list of available PD will
be linked here shortly for all to
access moving forward.

[AFPL](#)



[Professional Development
Opportunities](#)

SC Carolina's Department of Education
provides Micro Credentials for
Educators in the State; some great PD
is available from them so if you are
interested, [click here](#) for more
information.

[Assessment](#)

There are 3 different types of assessments
that we utilize in Laurens 55 to address a
variety of needs.

State Accountability Assessments:

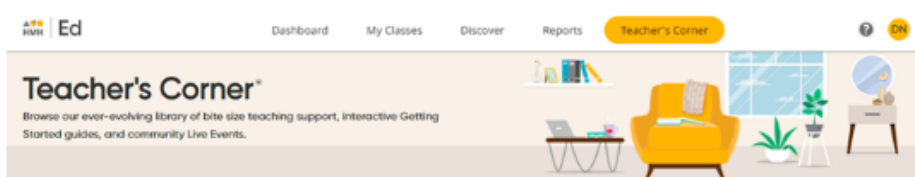
These are state required assessments utilized
to measure and compare student
achievement throughout the State of SC and
beyond. (ex. SC Ready, EOC, etc.)

Universal Screeners:

Their primary purpose is to screen ALL
students at some point in their PK-12 career to
identify potential needs that may require
additional services/interventions. Some of
these are also state required. (ex. MAP,
Satchel, etc.)

Instructional Assessments:

These are instructional or curriculum based
assessments that provide immediate or quick
feedback to both the teacher and student
that can be used drive instruction, help in
individual goal setting and more. (ex. HMH
Growth, Mastery Connect, etc.)



Looking for additional help in using all HMH has to offer BUT
when works best for you? Remember, we have "Teacher's
Corner" that has a variety of PD for you to access right from
your Clever log-in.

What is MTSS?–Part 2

Laurens 55 is in the process of developing and
implementing a consistent standardized MTSS process for
ALL schools.

Last month, all Principals and Guidance Counselors received
preliminary training and information on MTSS and this
district process. Our next step will be for each school to
begin holding MTSS meetings on individual students whom
are still showing the need for additional
support/intervention after several classroom interventions
have been implemented, monitored and adjusted over a
period of time.

If you believe you have a child in your class that fits this
description, please see your Guidance Counselor or
Principal for more information on the process.

We will be coming to you later this year for your feedback in
order to monitor and tweak this process to ensure it is
working effectively for our students and staff of Laurens 55.

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