

## McLaughlin Strickland Elementary

Carrollton Farmers Branch ISD Carrollton, Texas

Brandy Mitchell teaches Math, Science, and Social Studies to two classes at a departmentalized grade level. To track student progress in Progress Learning, she created a bulletin board where each student moves their personalized rocket ship when they level up to a new alien. Each level-up earns them a up to a new alien. Each level-up earns them a waterproof, space-themed sticker. Brandy also uses punch cards for students to collect galaxy stars, which they can redeem for a prize once the card is full. Together, the bulletin board and punch cards serve as strong motivators, inspiring students to stay engaged and strive for continued growth!





Classroom Teacher/Educator

## Southeast Middle School

**Richland County School District One** Columbia, South Carolina

Southeast Middle School's Scorpion Scholars are preparing for liftoff! Each student is tasked with completing at least three topics in the domain or standard assigned by their teacher, with the option to increase weekly. The challenge is to complete as many topics as possible while maintaining high accuracy.

At the end of four weeks, top performers are recognized. Awards include **Top Crew** (the class with the most completed topics and highest pass rate), **Supernova Scholar** (student with the most topics completed and highest accuracy), and **Warp Speed Learner** (student showing the most growth).





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## Harmony Science Academy - Katy (Middle)

Harmony Public Schools – Houston West Katy, Texas

As students master skills and earn Galaxy Stars, they climb through five Alien Rankings, with Space Ninja as the top level at 60 stars. Each class has a rocket that moves forward based on class averages, encouraging teamwork.

The board highlights achievements from all six sections and offers rewards at each level. Students who reach the top earn a principal-signed certificate. Ms. Wyne also uses an Excel spreadsheet to monitor weekly scores, helping her provide targeted support and celebrate growth. The visual and data-driven approach keeps students engaged and excited to learn..

