

Woodruff Elementary School

Dream...Hope...Imagine

School Improvement Council Annual Report to Parents

2015-2016

Purpose

The purpose of Woodruff Elementary School is to create a community of learners where each student is provided with a quality education in a safe, supportive environment that promotes self-discipline, motivation and excellence in learning to manage life's challenges successfully.

Direction

Our students will be engaged in meaningful experiences to fully develop social, emotional, physical and intellectual talents and abilities during their educational journey and throughout their lives.

SIC Members:

Argyl Brewton, Principal
Jennifer Turner, Asst. Principal
Alysia Hayes, SIC Chair
Haley Anderson, Student Council
Debbie Casey, Parent
Carolyn Hughes, Teacher
Brittney Kennedy, Parent
Joy Mitchell, Teacher
Lori Patterson, Teacher
Taliyah Scott, Student Council
Sandy Turner, Community Member
Bonnie West, Parent
Eden Young, Teacher

School Improvement Council Goals

Improve Home-School Relations

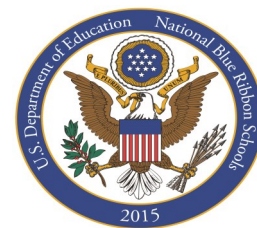
Based on a review of 2014-2015 Parent Survey Results and the 2015 School Report Card, the SIC created a School-Home Relations survey to identify the mode and topics of communication preferred by parents. Over 100 parents completed the survey. The results are available on the school website and indicate that parents mostly prefer to know about their child's academic progress. In late February, the SIC promoted PowerSchool Parent Portal and created a Parent Portal User Guide. 474 students out of 598 students have parents with Parent Portal accounts; about 50 new accounts were created since February. For the 2016-2017 school year, the SIC will continue to promote Parent Portal accounts as a convenient way to stay up to date on their child's academic progress. In addition, the SIC will continue to seek ways to improve overall relations between home and school and use future survey results to analyze the effectiveness of efforts. For example, the SIC will review, *All Hands on Deck: Tools for Connecting Educators, Parents, and Communities* by Brad Currie. This book shows how educators can engage with parents and community members to impact student learning inside the classroom.

Needs Assessment for Student Achievement

Standardized school test data reveal minority students are scoring below state average. In addition to implementing instructional strategies within the classroom, WES staff participated in WIDA workshops with Mrs. Christin Smith, ELL Teacher. The SIC recruited bilingual parent volunteers to serve ELL students in a small group setting for 45 minutes each week. Plans to continue the Hispanic Literacy Program is in place for next school year.

School Achievements

- ◆ 2015 National Blue Ribbon School Award
- ◆ 2015 Palmetto Gold Award for Absolute Performance
- ◆ 2015 Silver Award for Student Growth
- ◆ 2014-2015 Palmetto Finest Finalist
- ◆ 2016 District 4 scored above average on the AdvancED Index of Quality



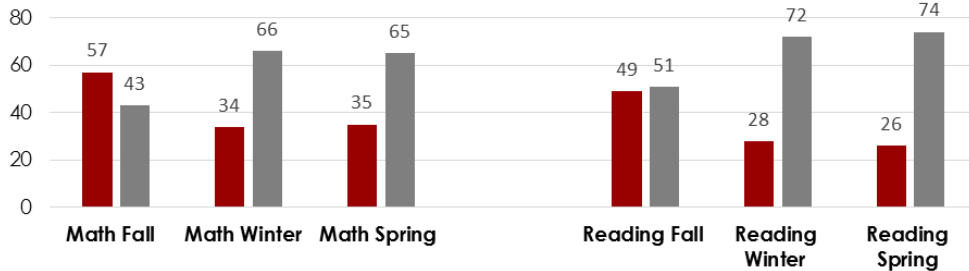
Student Achievement

3rd Grade 2015-2016 MAP Data

Math and Reading

Percentage of Students

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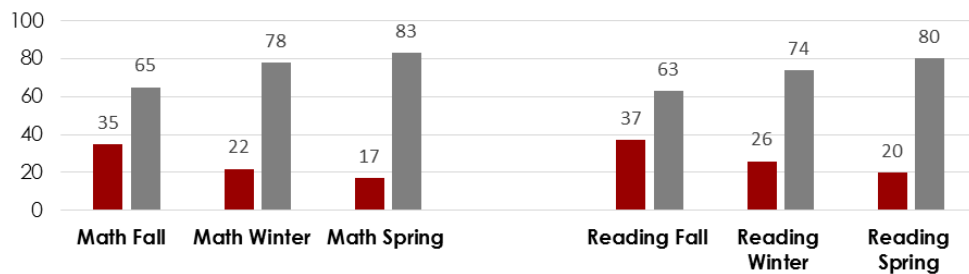


4th Grade 2015-2016 MAP Data

Math and Reading

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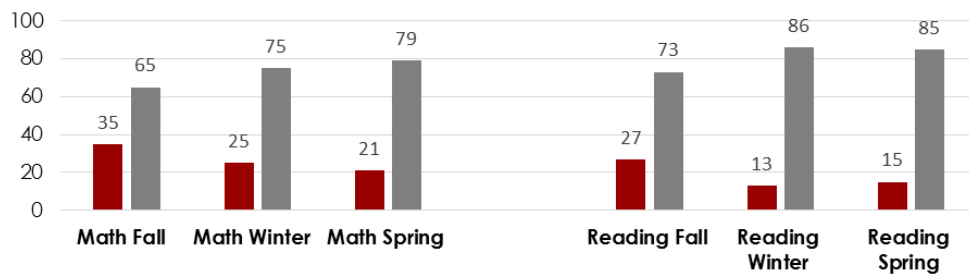


5th Grade 2015-2016 MAP Data

Math and Reading

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For more information, you may view Woodruff Elementary School's Report Card for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov.

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Purpose of the Report

This report is issued by the WES School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

Ways to Get Involved

@ WES

4H Clubs*

Academic Celebrations*

Academic Focus Program

Black History/SS Program*

Book Fairs*

Christmas Program*

Club of Dreamers

Donuts for Dads*

Fun Day*

Field Trips*

Fifth Grade Cookout/Annual Day

Gifted Art

Gifted Music

Girls/Boys Basketball Clubs

Girl Scouts

Good News Club

Grandparents Day Breakfast*

Hispanic Literacy Program*

Kiwanis Terrific Kids

Morning Computer Club

Muffins for Moms*

National Blue Ribbon Ceremony*

Meet the Teacher/Open House*

PTO Events and PTO Fundraisers*

Science Fair*

See You at the Pole

Service Learning Projects

SOAR Program

South Carolina History Day*

Spelling Bee

Spirit Day

Star Seekers Program*

Stone Soup Storytelling Events

Student Council

Third Grade Orientation*

Veteran's Day Program*

Watershed Ecology Program

WE Singers and Panhandlers

Wednesday Special Lunch*

WES News Crew

*Denotes opportunities through which parents/guardians can become more involved at WES