

# Anderson Mill Elementary School



## Continuing Academic Programs.

We are continuing with the following programs, as our data results show their positive contribution to our curriculum and overall school program.

- Reading intervention is offered to students in grades K-3 on a daily basis using direct-instruction, research based programs.

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL.....

Anderson Mill has had another incredible year! We have many accomplishments to share as the 2013-2014 school year comes to an end. I am honored to announce that we received the SC Palmetto Gold Award for our outstanding SC PASS test scores. We also earned an "A" on our improvement rating because our school's performance substantially exceeded the state's expectations. We are so proud of our teachers and students!

Anderson Mill is continuing to grow each year. We currently have just over 720 children enrolled at Anderson Mill with six teachers in kindergarten and first grade, and five teachers in second, third, fourth and fifth grade. Our school contains two McCarthy Teszler Satellite classes and three Self-Contained classes for students with disabilities.

This year we implemented a new related arts class called QUEST. In QUEST, students utilize technology to research, publish and engage in project-based learning. We increased the availability of technology by adding eight new touch screen laptops to each classroom. In addition, our district launched a BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) policy to allow students to use technological devices for instructional purposes. Our teachers are in the process of implementing Thinking Maps into their classroom instruction. This program teaches students to create a "thinking map" as a part of the writing process. This program is an integral part of the Write from the Beginning writing curriculum that will be implemented in the 2014-2015 school year. We are excited about merging our educational instructional practices with the new technological advances to equip our students with college and career readiness.

Anderson Mill has continued to focus on helping our children grow academically, socially and physically by including a variety of new character programs and clubs during 2013-2014. These include: Book & Drama Club, 100 Mile Club, First Tee Golf Program, Minecraft Club, ROTC Leadership Club, and Girls On The Run. We hope your children have taken advantage of the numerous opportunities provided at Anderson Mill for continuous growth and learning.

## Accomplishments/Recognitions

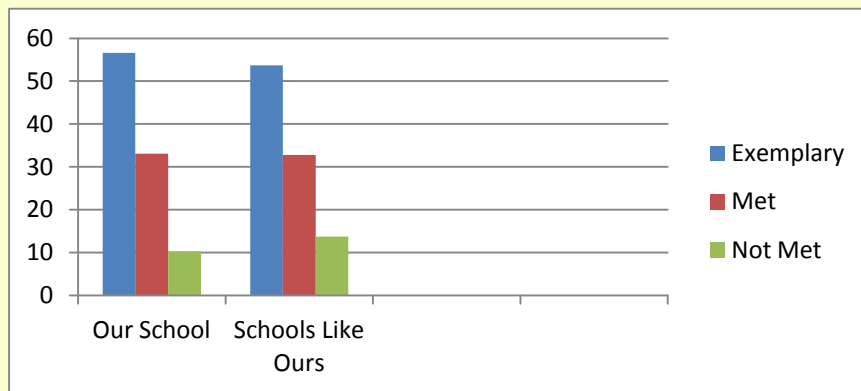
- Billie Huskey** – Anderson Mill Elementary Teacher of the Year
- Alex Smalley** – Support Staff of the Year
- Terry Callebs & Sarah Whitt** – Partners for Active Living – 100 Mile Club Grant
- Terry Callebs & Sarah Whitt** – First Tee Grant
- Tami Broomall** – Reflex Math Grant
- Meg Gardner** – Donor's Choose Grant
- Jessie Wolfinger** – Donor's Choose Grant
- Meredith Miller** – Donor's Choose Grant
- Kerri Jetton** – Donor's Choose Grant
- Morgan Zell** – Two Donor's Choose Grants
- Sheryl Elliott** – Donor's Choose Grant
- Amanda Carroll** – Donor's Choose Grant
- **Amber Horton** – Donor's Choose Grant
- Charlotte Yang** – Kiwanis Terrific Kid of the Year 2014
- Ansley Moe** -Student Body President
- Zahra Soherwardy** – Spelling Bee Winner
- Cameron Cathcart** – Geography Bee Winner
- Ansley Woodson**-Sodexo Young Chef District Winner
- Ansley Moe**-SC Elementary Honors Choir
- Kiera Sanchez** -SC Elementary Honors Choir
- Morgan Shinn**-Regional Science Fair Winner - Biology Honorable Mention
- Ava Jones** – Upstate Fair Essay Contest Winner

- K-1-My Sidewalks Reading Intervention to “at risk” students
- 2-3-READ reading intervention
- Number Worlds Math intervention is offered to students in grades K-3 on a daily basis using a direct-instruction, research based program.
- The Read Well curriculum is being utilized in kindergarten and first grade classrooms to provide small group reading instruction, as well as whole group reading lessons in kindergarten. We started the program at AMES two year and saw great gains in our students’ reading ability, as measured by DIBELS and STAR reports.

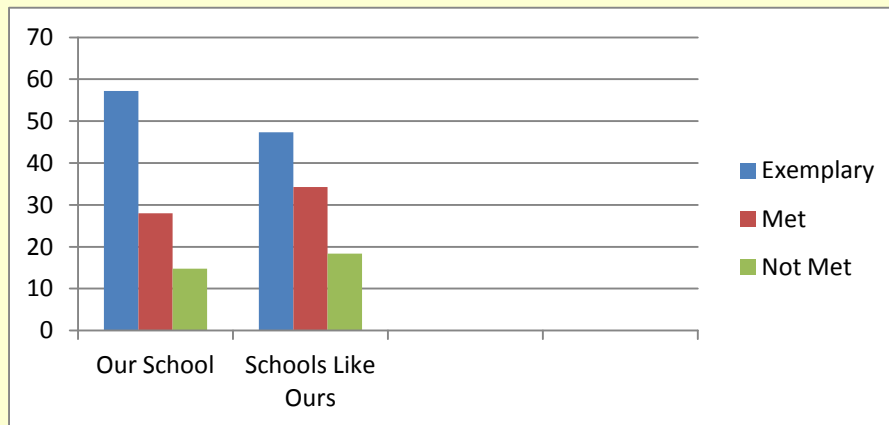
### 2013 State Report Card Information

\*\*The first bar in each series represents students scoring Exemplary. The middle bar in each series represents students scoring Met. The last bar in each series represents students scoring Not Met.

#### PASS ELA Testing Data



#### PASS Math Testing Data



### Student Clubs and Opportunities

- Student Council -Early Bird Gym -Art Club
- 4-H Pet Pals -Beta Club -Minecraft Club
- Fall/Spring Honor's Chorus -Leadership Club
- Running Club -Flag Patrol -Lego Club
- Mentoring Club -Jump Rope for Heart
- Soccer Club -Good News Club
- Youth Advisory Council -Art Visions -WAME
- Girls on the Run -100 Mile Club -Band
- Orchestra -Book and Drama Club
- Science Fair -Spelling Bee -Geography Bee
- Music Visions -NFL Play 60
- Beyond the Books -Barrier Island



### Family and Student Events

- Family Write Night -Career Fair
- Book Fairs -Walk at School Day -Terrific Kid
- Field Day -Lunch and Learn -Music Share
- Parent Education Night -PTO Spirit Night
- Grade Level Music Performances -Fun Day
- Farmer's Day -Red Ribbon
- Dorman STARS -OLWEUS Bully Program
- Spaghetti with Santa -PTO Spirit Nights

### **OLWEUS Bully Prevention**

Anderson Mill is proud to be a part of a district-wide bully prevention program. This is the third year of implementation for this program. The theme for the program is "Hear us Roar". Our students were entertained with a kick-off by the Gable Middle School Drama Department. Every Tuesday students participated in class meetings. These class meetings served as avenues for teachers to make students aware of current bullying concerns or to address any student concerns. Students also had the opportunity to learn more about the OLWEUS program through their guidance classes.

### Instructional and Curriculum Resources

- My Sidewalks Intervention -Mimio
- Accelerated Reader -Dreambox
- STAR testing -MAP Testing
- Response to Intervention -STAR Testing
- Read Well (K5 and 1<sup>st</sup> grade)
- Active Votes for Promethean Instruction
- DIBELS Testing
- Number World Math Intervention
- Ticket to Read
- 3rd Grade Multiplication Challenge
- Promethean Board Instruction
- Thinking Map Staff Development
- Power School Parent Access
- Speech Services
- Resource Services
- Physical Therapy
- Peer Tutors
- Occupational Therapy
- Self-Advocacy Program
- Writer's Workshop

A special thanks to all of those who serve.....

### PTO Members

-Laura Keller -President -Jules Bryant-Treasurer Chrissa Hurley-Secretary  
-Courtnee Ford –Debbie Edwards –Renee Kuehl –Linda Draughn –Melissa Doiron  
–Alexis Howlett –Heather Chittum –Jennifer Novak \_Christine Chance – Lee Sturgill  
–Heather Donovan –Jessica Rider – Mona Garcia –Sherry Yeisley –Angie Martinez  
–Tricia Lagos –Renee Nelson –Kelly Talley

### School Improvement Council Members

- Stacey Butler, Parent -Marina Lehrer, Parent -Candice Gosnell, Parent  
-Brittney Burdette, Parent - Susan Keith, School Nurse -Beth Haun, Principal  
-Beth Foster, Assistant Principal -Bobby Rollins, Assistant Principal  
-Rex Cox, Business Partner/ Parent -Karen Gregory, Guidance Counselor/Parent  
Erika McJimpsey, Parent -Dawn Schlichting, Parent –Kim Stravolo, Community Member  
-Casey Lyles, Teacher -Ashley Hall, Parent -Vickie Thompson, Teacher  
-Bob Jolley, Grandparent/Community Member -Bridgett Miller, Parent  
-Laura Keller, PTO President -Ansley Moe, Student Council President

