

School Achievements

STUDENTS

Brelen Livingston is a member of the South Carolina Elementary Honors Choir.

Luther Bells is a winner in the 2016 South Carolina Regional Science Fair Competition.

STAFF

Eugenia Kennedy is the 2015-2016 Air Force Swamp Fox Teacher of the Year.

Shirley 'Nickie' Massey is a top five 2015-2016 Sumter Area Reading Council Distinguished Reading Teacher finalist.

SCHOOL

Cherryvale Elementary School is an Arts in Basic Curriculum (ABC) school recognized by the South Carolina Arts Commission.

Cherryvale Elementary is a charter member of the National Elementary Honor Society with 19 inductees. Angela Rose and Kiara D. Wilson serve as co-advisors.

GRANTS

South Carolina Department of Education

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program

Submitted by Catherine Perry \$18,000.00

South Carolina Arts Commission's ABC Grant

Submitted by Steven Palmer \$11, 509.00

Palmetto Pride

Submitted by Catherine Perry \$2,974.00

DonorsChoose

Creating Informed First Graders

Submitted by Catherine Perry \$938.00

Abordale EBooks Publishing Grant

Submitted by Catherine Perry \$425.00

South Carolina Aquarium Grant- First Grade

Submitted by Catherine Perry \$951.35

Total \$33,685.35

Cherryvale Elementary

School Improvement Council Members

Chairman: Mr. David W. Fair, II.
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*Kathleen J. Lee, teacher, attends all School
Improvement Council meetings.*

Cherryvale Elementary School

Annual School Improvement Council

“Report to the Parents” 2015-2016



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Mission Statement

*The mission of Cherryvale Elementary
School is to ensure the highest quality
education for all students, build character
and instill a desire for lifelong learning.*

SIC Annual Goals

Student Achievement

In spring of 2015, students completed ACT Aspire assessments—in the areas of reading, English, mathematics and writing. Overall, students scored **Above National Level** for fourth grade **Writing**. In addition, students in grades four and five completed SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) in social studies and science. Fifth grade students scored **Above State Level** in science. To improve student achievement, staff and administrators continue to focus on core instructional activities that strengthen academic achievement and increase student performance.

Teacher Quality

To ensure the employment of highly qualified teachers and paraprofessionals, administrators emphasize retention and recruitment, specialized training opportunities, and personal growth. In addition, new teachers also receive mentors, who offer assistance, as needed.

School Quality

Collected data from surveys, discipline reports, and attendance records indicate improving home and school relations. Students have a sense of order, safety, and self-worth. Parental results indicate the need for more assistance in becoming effective partners in the education of their children and in obtaining services from outside sources. The staff implemented strategies that will allow both groups to have their needs met.

Read to Succeed

On June 5, 2014, the South Carolina General Assembly passed the Read to Succeed Act. This act mandated –offering professional development sessions or course work in literacy for teachers and staff, employing a reading coach, creating a School Reading Plan, offering a Summer Reading Camp for students who are at least one grade level behind in reading, and retaining third grade students who are not reading on grade level by 2017-2018.

Student Achievement



Students participate in formative and summative assessments—**GOLD**, state mandated, measures pre-kindergarten literacy skills, twice yearly; **DRA2**-state mandated, measures kindergarten reading skills, three times yearly; **Next Steps In Guided Reading Assessment (NSGR)**-district assessment, measures grades one through five reading skills, three times yearly; Measures of Academic Progress (**MAP**)-district assessment, compares students locally and nationally in reading, math and language and measures achievement for placement in the gifted and talented program, three times yearly; **Benchmarks**-district quarterly assessments, measure progress toward meeting state standards; and **Pre-Post Tests**-district assessments, in science and social studies, provide baselines academic growth.

Business Partners, Organizations, And/Or Individuals That Contribute To Cherryvale Elementary School

- Audrey McDonald /AME Church MWS
- Harvest Hope
- Hillcrest Alumni
- Ms. Diane Smith Therapy Dogs
- New Salem Baptist Church
- Officer Dennie Sides Therapy Dogs
- Staples
- St. Luke AME Church
- United Ministries
- Wayman Chapel AME Church

“For more information, you may view Myschool’s “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov.”

Additional Initiatives

Special Education

With support from a 2015 Lowe’s grant, the Superintendent, Alice Drive Baptist Church, Sumter School District Maintenance Department, and Cherryvale staff, Cindy Roberson spearheads the creation of a beautiful sensory garden in the small courtyard for special needs students and all students to enjoy. The completion date is June 2016.

Science

Again, with the support of a Palmetto Pride Grant, Cathy Perry—along with Sumter School District Maintenance Department and the school custodial staff—is spearheading the creation of an outdoor Science Garden in the large courtyard.

Maintenance Department

From March 2015 until March 2016, the staff retained the **Yard of the Month** designation. In addition, on their fall inspection, the team received a **Perfect Score of 260**.

Cafeteria Staff

In April 2016, Cherryvale School cafeteria received a rating of (A) with a score of (100).

School Safety

Pamela Rhodes, assistant principal, spearheaded the Walk/Bike to School Safety Program. As a result, Cherryvale won 10 Schwinn bikes and 20 helmets.

Off Site Learning Opportunities

During the school year, students participated in various off-site learning opportunities. Some grade level, field trip visits are below:

Pre-kindergarten	Sumter County Library
Kindergarten	Riverbanks Zoo
First grade	SC Aquarium
Second Grade	Aquatic Center
Third Grade	Opera House
Fourth Grade	Riverbanks Zoo
Fifth Grade	Furman
Special Needs Classes	EdVenture