

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Each year the School Renewal Planning Team meets to discuss test data, and other documents to aide in the compilation of the School Renewal Plan and our report to the public. We are actively committed to Manchester's mission. When the school environment is positive, and when parents are involved in their children's education, students benefit academically. Manchester is growing readers and writers who are prepared to learn and meet the challenges of each day. We strive to have a school where parents are actively involved and participate in their child's education by attending workshops and special events.

Manchester teachers provide students with critical thinking skills and problem solving activities. Test data is used to focus on programs that will help student achievement by remediating weak areas. We proudly offer a computer lab program, adult GED classes, parenting workshops, after school tutoring programs, student assistance programs, and academic intervention programs. Manchester works to develop good citizenship by contributing to and caring for the community. Manchester is proud to be a Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) school and we implement OLWEUS Anti-Bullying strategies.

Our students learn by serving others through service learning initiatives such as My Community and Me, Shower Shaw with Cookies, Career Fair, and the SPCA animal fund. Our philanthropic efforts include the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life, Pennies for Patients, and the American Heart Association. We will continue to utilize research, involve our parents and community members, and focus on appropriate academic planning and instruction to improve the achievement of each child attending Manchester Elementary. As always, the doors of Manchester are always open for students, their parents, and our community. We look forward to your continued support as our school year progresses.

Joan Tye, Principal

Dana Williams, School Improvement Council

Principal Dr. Joan Tye
Assistant Principal..... Jackqueline Thomas
Reading Coach.....Jennifer Barrett
Curriculum CoordinatorDana Williams
Counselor.....Cicely McNeill-Brown
SIC Chairperson Dana Williams
Secretary/Bookkeeper Kim Avins
Teacher of the Year Kristina Marlowe

Our Beliefs

- The family is the most important influence on the individual.
- Learning is a life-long process.
- Teamwork is necessary to achieve the goals of an organization.
- Character development is necessary for an individual to reach his/her full potential.
- Active involvement is critical to productive change.
- Each individual is responsible for his/her own actions.
- The quality of education primarily determines the quality of life in a community.
- Children are our greatest asset.
- Effective communication bridges gaps between human beings.
- We respect each other.
- Every person has intrinsic worth.
- Diversity strengthens the community.

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Manchester Elementary School 2014-2015 Report to Parents



**The mission of
Manchester
Elementary School is
to prepare today's
children for
tomorrow's
challenges.**

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School Improvement Council

Principal.....Dr. Joan Tye
 Chairperson.....Dana Williams
 Parent.....Jennifer Barrett
 Community Member.....Gary Graham
 Parent.....Marlene Woodard
 StaffKristina Marlowe
 Staff.....Tiffany Ardis
 Staff.....Lisa Coffell
 Staff.....Jennifer Barrett
 Assistant Principal
Jackie Thomas

Accomplishments and Awards

Advanced Accredited
 Back to School Fair
 Balanced Literacy Initiatives
 Black History and Veterans' Day Programs
 Career Fair, Chorus, and Fall Festival
 Grade Level Planning and Staff Development
 Hands-on Science (FOSS)
 Heart Association and Relay for Life Fundraisers
 Pennies for Patients (Leukemia and Lymphoma)
 Parent Teacher Association
 Red Ribbon Week and Drug Awareness Week
 Science Fair
 Shower Shaw with Cookies
 Pinewood Christmas Parade
 PTA Reflections -Student Winners
 PBIS Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies and
 Olweus Anti-Bullying Program

Summary of Needs Assessment

During our recent school renewal process, our school and community representatives agreed that Manchester Elementary School should continue to focus on student achievement, teacher retention, and school climate.

Although our recent tests scores were good, we will continue to focus on the areas of Reading and Math to target continuous improvement, and we are developing strategies to address individual student growth in these areas.

Our council also hopes to focus on building strong relationships between our school and the community through partnerships and activities such as gardening and recycling projects.

Our instructional strategies and activities, school-wide benchmarks, measures of academic progress, and professional staff development are all an integral part of our initiative to increase student proficiency in all areas on our State assessments.

Manchester is a proud school of excellence and we will continue to move forward through analysis of data and differentiated learning.

**2014-2015 Teacher
 of the Year
 Kristina Marlowe**



**2015-2016 Teacher
 of the Year
 Julie Strange**

