

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Manchester Elementary School is a wonderful place to learn. Groups of parents and teachers meet together several times a year to discuss test data, survey information, and school climate information. We work to continuously improve our school. When the school environment is positive, students benefit academically. We are committed to preparing our students for tomorrow's challenges by equipping them to be responsible, successful, and productive citizens in a global society.

We encourage parental involvement through various presentations, workshops and other special events. We maintain an open door policy which encourages communication between school staff members, parents, and other stakeholders.

Teachers encourage critical thinking skills through a variety of problem solving activities. Our teachers use technology to improve student engagement and achievement. We proudly offer a computer lab program, parenting workshops, a drama group, chorus, after school tutoring, and academic intervention programs. Our students learn by serving others through service learning initiatives such as My Community and Me, Relay for Life, American Heart Association, Shower Shaw with Cookies, Career Fair, and the SPCA animal fund.

We appreciate and encourage your continued support and involvement in our school program.

Joan Tye, Principal

Kimberly Avins

School Improvement Council Chairperson

Principal Dr. Joan Tye
Assistant Principal..... Jackqueline Thomas
Reading Coach..... Dr. Donna Geddings
Counselor..... Melissa McBride
SIC Chairperson Kimberly Avins
Teacher of the Year Kendall Jones
Instructional Coach..... Jennifer Geddings
Math Coach..... Debbie Sweat
Nurse..... Pam Stukes

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

Our Beliefs

We are committed to excellence. Our students will show continuous improvement.

We will set high standards and we will build a sense of honor and integrity.

We will be accountable for our actions and responsive to the needs of our students.

We will educate the whole child and give our students the chance to succeed based on individual needs.

We will provide a safe and supportive learning environment that is conducive to learning.

We will value collaboration and create meaningful strategies, solutions and learning opportunities.

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Manchester Elementary School 2017-2018 Report to Parents

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School Improvement Council

Principal.....Dr. Joan Tye
Chairperson.....Kimberly Avins
Parent.....Jennifer Geddings
Community Member.....Brenda Ratliff
Parent.....Melissa McBride
Staff.....Debbie Sweat
StaffEmma Catoe
Staff.....Tiffany Hogue
Staff.....Kristina Marlowe
Assistant Principal.....Jackie Thomas

Manchester Elementary

2017-2018

Teacher of the Year

Kendall Jones

Activities and Honors

AdvancEd Accredited

Back to School Fair

Balanced Literacy Initiatives

School Assembly Programs

Career Fair, Drama, Chorus, and Fall Festival

Grade Level Planning and Staff Development

Hands-on Science and Science Lab Activities

Heart Association and
Relay for Life Fundraisers

Pennies for Patients (Leukemia and Lymphoma)

Parent Teacher Association

DARE

Red Ribbon Week Drug Awareness Week

Science Fair / Earth Day Activities

Shower Shaw with Cookies

Pinewood Christmas Parade

Panther Palace/ Book Character Parades

PBIS Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies

Olweus Anti-Bullying Program

Perfect Attendance Popcorn

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, literacy improvement, and school climate. We also selected a recycling program as our School Improvement Council Project.

We will continue to focus on the areas of reading and literacy improvement through multi-tier systems of support and instructional strategies. We are actively addressing individual student growth goals.

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. We are reviewing our parent surveys to help us understand the needs of our stakeholders.

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