

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our School Improvement Council is actively committed to Willow Drive's mission and performance goals. Recently, we received the Palmetto Silver Award based on the results of our 2013 PASS scores. In addition, Willow Drive has attained an score of 89 and a B rating based on the state's ESEA waiver.

Willow Drive Elementary continues to foster community and parent support to assist in creating pathways to success for our students.

School Improvement meetings were held throughout the year to gather feedback and input from members of the School Improvement Council.

The community has been very supportive in our efforts to provide students with a beautiful garden, paper, and snacks for teachers. Our students were actively involved in community projects such as, My Community and Me, Pennies for Patients, Shower Shaw with Cookies, and the Clemson vs Carolina canned food drive.

Rachel Johnston
Chairman School
Improvement Council

Liz Compton
Principal

Principal..... Liz Compton
Assistant Principal Karen Buffalo
Curriculum Coach.....Dwan Beach
Math Coach.....Pat Christmas
Counselors..... Helen Simon
School Social Worker.....Beth Powell
SIC ChairpersonRachel Johnston
Secretary/BookkeeperDiane Summers
Teacher of the YearRachel Johnston

Our Beliefs

We believe that students at Willow Drive learn best when everyone works as a learning community. We envision a school in which staff, students, and parents:

- unite to achieve common goals
- work together in collaborative teams
- implement strategies for improving student achievement
- monitor student progress
- create a healthy school environment
- expect students to share responsibility for their own achievement and behavior.
- demonstrate a personal commitment to academic success and well-being of ALL students.

Willow Drive Elementary School 2013-2014 Report to Parents



The mission of Willow Drive Elementary is to develop competent life-long learners by providing thorough and effective programs that prepare students to meet the challenges of an everchanging society.

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Accomplishments and Awards

School Science Lab
Technology Enhanced Classrooms
Science Night
Science Expo
Outdoor Learning Lab
Harvest Hope Backpack Program
ESOL Afterschool
5th Grade McEntire Star Base Program
Partnerships with BiLo, Golden Corral, Zaxby's,
Carolina Children's Dentistry, Central Carolina
Technical College, USC-Upstate
Chorus
Grade Level Planning and Staff Development
Heart Association fundraiser
National Elementary Honor Society
Palmetto Silver Award
Pennies for Patients (Leukemia and Lymphoma)
PTO
Red Ribbon Week and Drug Awareness Week
Relay for Life (American Cancer Society)
Safety Patrol, Student Council
Shower Shaw with Cookies
Volunteer Program
Common Core Professional Development

Summary of Needs Assessment

Willow Drive Elementary
School Renewal Plan committees,
district and school level
administrators analyzed data from
the Palmetto Assessment of State
Standards, MAP, the Annual School
Report Card, and Powerschool
Reports. After reviewing all the data,
strategies and activities were
developed based on specific areas of
strength and weakness identified in
the data.

Based on the 2011 PASS adjusted
scores from the state report card,
Willow Drive Elementary met all
objectives for Adequate Yearly
Progress.

Longitudinal analysis of the PASS
data indicates target areas for growth
are: Science at all grade levels,
Language Arts, Math and Social
Studies in for fourth grade.

School Improvement Council

Principal..... Liz Compton
Chairperson.....Rachel Johnston
Parent.....Denise Wells
Parent..... Jessica Judice
CommunityJohn Hoffman
Community Angela Copeland
Staff Cynthia Vickers
Staff.....Dwan Beach
Asst. Principal.....Karen Buffalo



Teacher of the Year, Rachel Johnston

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