

**SFES 2013-2014  
ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Excellent Absolute and Good Growth Rating on the 2013 Annual School Report Card
- 2013-2104 Palmetto Gold Award Winner
- AdvancED Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)
- Implemented our COLT core values: Caring, Optimistic, Lifelong Learners, Trustworthy
- Recognized over 400 students for their display of the COLT core values
- Implemented our first annual Summer Reading Program
- Each Grade level organized a curriculum night for parents
- Krista Taylor, 5th Grade Teacher, won SFES Teacher of the Year
- Robin Mabry, Receptionist, won SFES Support Staff of the Year
- SFES was selected as the Carolina Panther's NFL Play 60 Super School Regional Champion and received a \$10,000 health and wellness grant
- Janet Gaither, Math Specialist, received a \$750 grant from the Foundation of Fort Mill Schools for her proposal, "5th Grade Fraction Action".
- Amanda Brogdon, 4th Grade Teacher, received a \$750 grant from the Foundation of Fort Mill Schools for her proposal, "Get that Sophisticated Look by Exploring a Good Book".
- Marion Cook, Lead Teacher, and Heather Wolf, Reading Specialist, received a \$250 grant from the Foundation of Fort Mill School for their proposal, "Prompting and Reinforcing Effective Reading Comprehension Strategies".
- Emily Asbell, 1st Grade Teacher, received a Donors Choose grant for "Tag Reader Pens and Books to Build Reading Fluency".
- Nikki Letterhos, 1st Grade Teacher, received Donors Choose grants for "Helping Emergent Readers Read" and "A Whole New World for Young Students"
- Offered school clubs/activities in: School News Program, Chorus & Drama, Environmental Club, Girls on the Run, Let Me Run, Knitting Club, Boys & Girls Book Clubs, Safety Patrol, and Student Council

## Purpose of the Report

This Report is issued by the Springfield Elementary School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.



### School Improvement Council Members

Amanda Brogdon, Teacher  
 Melissa Cota, Parent (Chair)  
 Cheryl Hooks, Parent (Vice Chair)  
 Alan Howell, Assistant Principal (Ex-Officio Member)  
 Brooke Long, Parent  
 Tara Miller, PTA President (Ex-Officio Member)  
 Peter Olinger, Principal (Ex-Officio Member)  
 Rebecca Pille, Teacher  
 Rebecca Pollack, Parent  
 Jennifer Ramieri, Parent  
 Krista Taylor, Teacher (Secretary)



**Springfield Elementary School**

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## School Summary Report

2013-2104

*An Update on the Progress of  
Our School Strategic Plan*



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## SFES Mission and Vision

### Mission

*The mission of Springfield Elementary, in partnership with family and community, is to provide a safe, friendly, productive learning environment for students, while creating a desire for life long learning.*

### Vision

*The Vision of Springfield Elementary is a safe and friendly learning community that fosters high expectations and encourages everyone to do their personal best by engaging students in developmentally appropriate, yet challenging, lessons and putting students first in our decisions.*



### What are our current goals?

#### \*Increase Student Achievement:

~Teach state standards, integrate Lucy Calkins writing unit in grades K-5, continue to improve Response to Intervention program, further integration of technology through the use of 5 iPads in every K-2 classroom and 5 Chromebooks in each 3-5 classroom as well as available Chromebook and iPad labs

#### \*Provide annual research based staff development for professional growth and leadership:

~ Training for Lucy Calkins Writing Units, quarterly training on new state standards in ELA and Math, training for iPad and Chromebooks,

#### \*Increase teacher and students attendance:

~Implemented the COLT core values and recognition program, strive to promote a positive and caring learning and teaching environment

### Performance Progress Report: K-2 Fountas & Pinnell Reading Benchmark & 2013 PASS Results

Grade Level	% Above Benchmark		
Kindergarten	97%		
First	87%		
Second	87%		
3rd Grade	Exemplary	Met	Not Met
Writing	59.6%	19.2%	11.5%
ELA	76.9%	13.4%	9.6%
Math	62.5%	21.1%	16.0%
Science	48.0%	38.4%	13.4%
SS	63.4%	28.8%	7.6%
4th Grade	Exemplary	Met	Not Met
Writing	50.8%	35.8%	13.0%
ELA	57.5%	35.0%	7.5%
Math	53.0%	39.1%	7.5%
Science	32.5%	55.8%	11.6%
SS	52.5%	36.6%	10.8%
5th Grade	Exemplary	Met	Not Met
Writing	47.3%	38.5%	14.0%
ELA	54.3%	34.2%	11.4%
Math	52.6%	33.3%	14.0%
Science	30.9%	49.0%	20.0%
SS	54.2%	32.2%	13.5%

## Service Learning & Community Partnerships

**Environmental Club:** These students and teacher leaders learn about and promote awareness of environmental issues in the community, operate the school's recycling program, and participate in many community activities such as A.S.C. Greenway Earth Day Festival and the A.S.C. Greenway Student Art Competition

**Fort Mill Care Center:** The Student Council sponsored a can food drive to benefit the center in the Fall. Approximately 1,000 pounds of food was collected.

**Pasta for Patients:** The Student Council sponsored this wonderful cause to collect spare change for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in honor of one of our own students battling this disease. \$6,000 was raised.

**Red Bag Project:** Students raised \$4500, many by doing extra chores and donating their own money, to help buy gifts for 36 needy children during the winter holidays. Gifts were purchased by volunteer shoppers, wrapped by the students, placed in a red bag, and given to those in need.

**Family Reading Night:** Local Celebrity Guest readers read to the students, reading games, book giveaways, along with a cake to honor Dr. Seuss's birthday were all part of the great event.

**Career Day:** Students listened to presentations from various specialist from the field of Law Enforcement. Presenters represented the following departments: FMPD, Equestrian Team, York County Dive Team, FBI MRAP, FBI SWAT, FBI Bomb Squad,

