

Dear Parents,

We are celebrating a milestone this year at New Providence Elementary. This year celebrates our first class of students starting and completing their entire elementary career at our school.

Through the collaborative efforts of our dedicated faculty and staff, our PTA, community members, and parents, we are continuing to provide outstanding leadership and academic opportunities for all of our students. We strive to be on the "cutting edge" of 21<sup>st</sup> century learning experiences while maintaining a safe, comfortable, and caring school culture. Thank you so much for your continued support!

**C. Van Bowers, Principal**

## MISSION

The mission of New Providence Elementary is to create a safe, nurturing, high performance learning culture of excellence, where students will acquire 21st Century learning experiences in the arts, academics, leadership, and global citizenship.

## VISION

Our vision at New Providence Elementary is to prepare our students to be:

**L**ife Long Leaders and Learners;

**I**ndependent, Critical, and Creative Thinkers with an

**O**ptimistic View of Life, and

**N**urturing Citizens who are

**S**uccessful Communicators in a Global Society.

# SIC/PTA Summary

## SIC Goals for 2013-2014

- Provided back to school book bags and supplies for students
- Lunch and Learn for parents

## PTA Summary 2013-2014

- Hosted 2nd Annual Boosterthon Fun Run raising over \$26K
- Purchased a "Spacenet Climber" for back playground and mulch for K5 playground
- Secured 12 annual sponsors generating \$6,400 in additional revenue
- Hosted 2nd Annual "Sip & Sob" on first day of school for new K5 & first-grade parents, three major family-fun events including Fall Festival, Silent Auction and Roary's Picnic & Bingo, monthly restaurant nights, biscuit mornings and yogurt days.
- Provided teachers with over \$5K in Box Tops money for their classrooms
- Sponsored monthly teacher appreciation buffets, provided gift cards to faculty & staff on national recognition days, 1st Grade "100 Book Club" program and 5th Grade graduation party and back-to-school and end-of-year luncheons for entire NPE staff
- Sponsored special guests including Doug the Science Guy, Porkchop Productions and Ernest Lee
- Supplemented \$1,500 toward field trip expenses
- Co-sponsored author visit during Spring Arts week
- Organized and sponsored school-wide Mentor Program
- Provided financial assistance to students for field trips, class t-shirts, Book Fair, etc. on an as-needed basis as requested by the teacher
- Paid \$2K towards staff development
- Organized volunteers for monthly Spirit Days and Duty-Free Lunches for teachers.

# School Highlights

- Adopted the "Lion Up" slogan to encourage grit and perseverance among our students and staff
- Hosted STEM Safari Day to allow students to participate in problem based Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math activities
- All grade levels completed a leadership service learning project to support local charities
- Nineteen students earned their License to Lead for outstanding individual leadership projects
- Conducted iMom and All Pro Dad's breakfast throughout the year
- Once per month students participated in LEAD Time activities to explore learning experiences from each of the four Dens: Wonder, Expression, Service, and Nurture
- Special activities were held at the school such as Art Safari Week, Digital Learning Day, Leadership Day, and NPE Rocks
- All students focused on a leadership objective per grade level. Objectives focused on Life Skills, Research, Communication, Vision, and Problem-Solving.
- Over \$4,500 has presently been raised by our school for cancer research
- Hosted Author and Illustrator Matthew Holm
- Received an \$800 Palmetto Pride recycling grant
- Three teachers received their Gifted and Talented endorsement
- One of our school counselor's received her National Board Certification
- Palmetto Gold Award winner 5 years in a row.
- Excellent Absolute and Growth rating 5 years in a row.

## Afterschool Opportunities

- Big Blue Marble Academy
- Artists Studio
- Soccer Shots

# Student Performance

Students at New Providence Elementary School have consistently demonstrated high performance levels in academic testing.

## Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP)

2012-2013

Grade	Subject	% Proficient
2	Reading	93
	Math	99
3	Reading	94
	Math	93
4	Reading	95
	Math	95
5	Reading	90
	Math	93

## Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS) 2012-2013

Aligned to the state academic standards, these assessments include writing, English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. The table below shows the percentage of New Providence Elementary students in grades 3-5 who scored Met or Exemplary for the 2011-2012 school year compared to Lexington School District One results.

	NPE	District
English/Lang. Arts	95	86
Math	92	82
Science	90	80
Social Studies	93	85
Writing	90	77

## Dominie Scores 2012-2013 (Reading)

Based on percentage of students who scored at or above grade level at the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

K5	94
1st Grade	89
2nd Grade	98
3rd Grade	91

## Report Card Ratings for School Year 2012-2013

Absolute Rating: **Excellent**  
Improvement Rating: **Excellent**

**Palmetto Gold Award Winner:**  
2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013

**Red Carpet School:** 2010-2013

**AYP Met:**(9/9 Objectives Met)

This annual report is a supplement to the School Report Card to provide you additional information about your school, its goals, successes, and challenges. Please feel free to contact us if you have any suggestions, comments, ideas or questions. For additional information, visit us on the web at:

[www.lexington1.net/npes](http://www.lexington1.net/npes)

## New Providence Elementary School Improvement Council Members

Jennifer Felkel, Chair  
Craig Summerall, Ed Bell, Roger Sipe, Kelly Watkins, Brenda Weeks, Beverly Hill, Van Bowers, Debbie Poole, Jason Black, Carey Clark, Beverly Hill, Bruce Cope, Jennifer McNair, Jane Waters

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2013-2014

## Annual Report to Parents



*Leaders Start Here!*

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**2013-2014 Teacher of the Year:**

Beverly Hill

**2013-2014 Support Staff Person of the Year:**

Roxann Carson