

We believe that...

- Education is a lifelong process.
- Students must have equal opportunity to learn in a physically and emotionally safe environment.
- Parents and guardians should have the opportunity and accept the responsibility to actively support the learning process.
- Education should provide the opportunity for students to learn how to communicate effectively, solve problems competently, think critically and creatively, and act responsibly.
- All students can learn and will be challenged to their individual abilities.
- Education must be relevant to the needs of the changing technological society in which it operates.



Our Motto

If you have the desire to be the **BEST**, you also have the power to make it happen!

B: Be In Control
E: Encourage Others
S: Show Respect
T: Take Responsibility



Evaluation of Goals 2015 - 2016

- We continue to disaggregate and analyze all performance measures to help meet the needs of our students.
- We operate a SuccessMaker computer lab and implement ScootPad and RAZ Kids math and/or reading programs during the school day.
- Professional development is being provided in John Collins Writing Program, data analysis, and implementation of workstations.
- We continue to communicate with parents and the community through various methods.
- We continue use to Fountas and Pinnell benchmark assessments, Cold Reads, Stop, Drop, and Write, and DRA2 to monitor progress in ELA.
- We continue to implement the EnVision Mathematics program.
- We continue to use MAP testing in grades K – 5.
- We continue to use LLI, Reading Recovery, and ERI Reading Programs for identifying students needing reading assistance (K-5).
- We continue to implement the EnVision RTI program for math remediation (K-5).
- We continue to use small group instruction for remediation and enrichment in reading and math.
- We continue to update/purchase new technology for teacher and student use as funds are available.
- We continue to provide a STEM program for students in grades K-5.

School Renewal Plan Goals 2016 – 2017

- We continue to disaggregate and analyze all performance measures to help meet the needs of our students.
- We operate a morning computer lab for remediation and implement ScootPad and RAZ Kids math/reading programs during the school day.
- Professional development is being provided in John Collins Writing Program, data analysis, and targeted instructional planning.
- We continue to look for a variety of methods to communicate with parents (ex. Remind 101, Class Dojo, One Call Now, website and newsletters.)
- The following assessments have been implemented to analyze progress in ELA: Fountas and Pinnell benchmark assessments, Cold Reads, Stop, Drop, and Write, DRA2, and MyIGDIS.
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School Activities/Programs

SIC Fall Festival and Family Movie Night
SIC Pancake Breakfast
Chorus/Art Club
Ridge Runners/Beta Club
Community Outreach Program
Grade Level Field trips
Chick-fil-A and Subway Eat Fresh Nights
YoGo and Wendy's Spirit Nights
Core Essentials Program
Papa John's Partner with Children
Battle of the Books/Math Madness
School-Wide Reading Celebrations
Library Lions/Read Across America Week
Career Day
Jump into Kindergarten
United Way/Sertoma Camp Participants
Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS)
Literacy, Math/Science and Fine Arts Family Nights
Recycling Team/Breathe Better Program
Safety Patrol
Gifted and Talented Education/ESOL Program
Preschool Intervention and Pre-K Programs
Math/Reading Morning Lab
Backpack Program
ONE Seneca Initiatives
Seneca Rotary Student of the Month/Rotary Readers
Veterans' Day Program
Fire Safety Program/Tornado Poster Safety Contest
School Volunteer Program
Future Chef Competition
Special Olympics/Field Day
Club SOAR/YMCA Afterschool Programs
B.A.R.K Reading Program
Summer Reading Program

Student Recognitions

All A's, and A/B Honor Roll
Perfect Attendance
Rotary Student of the Month
Chick-fil-A Value-able Reward Program
MAP Incentives/PBIS Spirit Stick Award

School Fact/Information

- Enrollment includes 641 students in grades PreK-5.
- 51% of our students are Caucasian; 27% are African American; 11% are Multi-racial; 10% are Hispanic, and less than 1% are Asian.
- We are a Title I School with 80% of our students on free or reduced lunch.
- We have 100 faculty and staff members.
- The 2014 School Report Card Absolute Rating: **Average**
- The 2014 School Report Card Growth Rating: **Good**
- 2014 ESEA Grade: C
- School Improvement Council Members: Ben Bolin, Margaret Campbell (Chair), Manuela Rosa Diaz, Shena Gibson, Edith Gil, Theo Harrison, Shannon Holland, Lynn Henderson, Lindsay James, Ryan Keese, Renea Mayes-Rice, Patsy Rankin, Lisa Simmons, David Thompson, Olivia Timms, and Kelli Willimon.

School Recognitions

- Palmetto Silver Award Winner (Overall Performance), 2015
- United Way "School of the Year", 2014-2016
- SAFE Kids School Award, 2016-2017
- 2016-2017 District Support Employee of the Year, Olivia Timms
- 2017 Battle of the Books District Winner, 3rd place
- 2017 Top Ten Math Madness Winners
- 2017 Future Chef District Winner

Blue Ridge Elementary School

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Report to Parents 2016- 2017

<http://www.oconee.k12.sc.us/BlueRidge.cfm>



Our mission at Blue Ridge Elementary School is to provide a safe and respectful environment where children and learning come first.

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Principal

David Thompson
Assistant Principal

Kelli Willimon
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