

To: WBECHS Parents /Guardians
From: Ms. Marilyn Fields, SIC Chairperson
Mrs. Sonya Wilson, SIC Vice-Chairperson
Date: April 18, 2011
Subject: Parent letter

We would like to say thank you for allowing us to serve as your School Improvement Council Chair and Vice Chair. It has been a great honor and privilege. This great opportunity made the pass school year a wonderful learning experience for us.

The goal of the SIC is to involve staff, parents and community members in our school. We have worked to enhance communication, parental involvement and identify ways we can work together to improve student achievement. Student learning is enhanced when the entire community works together at improving the education of its children.

When parents, students, teachers and the community unite to provide a quality education for all students, a true spirit of collaboration, trust and shared decision-making becomes the best ingredients for success of our students.

It is the opinion of the SIC that WBECHS is on track to becoming a model school for the entire State of South Carolina.

The school year has been a successful one. WBECHS under the leadership of our Principal, Priscilla Drake and her qualified staff have made great efforts in creating a safe and friendly atmosphere that enhances our students' learning and have created an atmosphere that encourages parental and community involvement.

Academically, our students have soared high above many obstacles. We started with 12 students qualifying to take TCL courses to over 140 qualifying. Our Physical Science students met state average and pass the districts average on the End of Course exam. Based on preliminary results our students have done well in other areas of End of Course exams as well. The overall GPA of our student athletics has also improved. We are very proud of the academic focus of our students.

Athletically, our student athletics have shown amazing potential. Our football team made the first round of the playoffs. Our volleyball team made the 3rd round of the playoffs. Members of our track team made it to the state level with several members coming home with medals.

As SIC Chair and Vice-Chair, we attended two training sessions in Columbia in order to become knowledgeable of how to assist our principal and staff in their efforts in improving our school. On behalf of our SIC Committee, we would like to say thank you. Your support for the committee, the principal, staff and our students is most appreciated and will continue to be needed. We solicit your involvement on any of our school committees if you are not currently engaged in one. Your wisdom and input are necessary in making this school great. Let us work together to make WBECHS the best learning resource in the state!!!!