



Mossy Oaks Elementary School  
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 Proud Title I School

**2015 PALMETTO GOLD AWARD WINNER FOR STUDENT GROWTH**  
**2015 PALMETTO SILVER AWARD WINNER FOR CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP**

**In the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing!**

Report to Stakeholders

April 2016

*“This Report is issued by the Mossy Oaks 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.”*

**Mission Statement**

*The mission of the Mossy Oaks Elementary School community is to promote academic growth and character development in a safe environment where every member of our school community is in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing, in order to prepare children for their unique roles in the world.*

**Student Enrollment**

Pre-Kindergarten	34
Kindergarten	59
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	61
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	69
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	62
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	58
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	65
<b>Total</b>	<b>408</b>

**Staff**

Certified	35
Administrators	2
National Board Certified	5
Instructional Coaches	1
Classified	12

**Report Card Highlights**

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2014	Good	Excellent
2013	Average	Average
2012	Good	Good

**Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.**

**2015 Satisfaction with School Environment**

Survey Results	Teachers	Students	Parents
Learning	100%	91%	87%
Social and Physical	100%	79%	91%
School/Home Relations	94%	90%	80%

**School Improvement Council**

**Chairperson-** Jennifer Angus/parent

**Vice Chairperson –** Kay Keeler/parent

**Secretary –** Amy Edwards/teacher

**Principal –** Donald Gruel/ex-officio

**Assistant Principal –** Tara Mack/ex-officio

**Members –** Lawrence Anderson, Bernateen Bibb, Elizabeth Coates, Amy Edwards, Jane Fisher, Wendy Gibson, Amy Horne, William James, Lisa Myers, Candace Pierce, Audrey Riley, Jill Scheper, Ray Sherbert, Hillary Torres

**Support Staff of the Year** Rebecca Taylor

**Teacher of the Year** Lawrence Anderson

## Mossy Oaks Elementary School Renewal Plan Goals and Progress

### Goal #1: Increase student achievement within five years to exceed state and national levels.

- Received an “A” rating from the state for performance that substantially exceeded the state’s expectations.
- SIC continues to monitor and provide assistance as needed to help meet achievement goals.

### % of students Met or Above on Spring 2015 PASS

### % of students Exceeding or Ready on Spring 2015 ACT Aspire

	Math (ACT)	ELA (ACT)	Writing (ACT)	SS PASS	Science PASS
3 <sup>rd</sup>	59.6%	42.1%	16.7%	N/A	N/A
4 <sup>th</sup>	47.5%	48.4%	32.8%	73.8%	55.7%
5 <sup>th</sup>	47.7%	43%	11.3%	64.6%	63.1%

*“For more information, you may view our “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov).”*

### Goal #2: Ensure that best practices and resources in learning, teaching, and leadership are consistent and equitable across the school.

- All certified staff are “highly qualified” in the area that they teach.
- PBIS (positive behavior program) continues to be used. PBIS rubric developed and displayed throughout the school. Electronic PBIS reward system in place.
- Afterschool academic assistance and enrichment programs in place.
- Submitted an application to become an Arts in the Basic Curriculum School.

### Goal #3: Actively engage community and stakeholders at Mossy Oaks Elementary School.

- Students are actively engaged in community service activities such as Encouragers Club, Relay for Life, Project Care, Girls on the Run, Adopt a Highway, Help of Beaufort.
- Many activities such as PTO sponsored events, Starbase, Marine Corps Band performance, Spring Cookout, Read Across America, Relay for Life, Kids’ Hope mentors, MOES Field Day, Therapy Dogs, Kids Club, Family Focus Nights, Vanderbilt University Alternative Spring Break, BHS Interact Club, BMS Teacher Cadet Program, etc., actively engage our community and stakeholders.

- SIC continues to find ways in which to involve all parents in the life of the school.

### Goal #4: Provide resources for appropriate learning environments.

- SIC assisted with the writing of the school-based budget used to purchase materials to support the learning environment.
- SIC assisted in the writing of the school-based budget used to provide professional development opportunities for staff to support the learning environment.
- SIC assisted in the writing of the Title I Budget and Title I Focus Plan, which allowed for additional funds for school support.

### Goal #5: Ensure a safe and healthy learning environment.

- School “Crisis Management Plan” revised and on file in the school office.
- Lobby Guard system utilized for visitor check-in and monitoring.
- Emergency procedures reviewed with staff at the beginning of the school year.
- “Project Wisdom” character education program used to support a healthy learning environment.
- “Wise Owl Student of the Month” program in place.
- “Active Shooter Training” provided to all staff.

### Goal #6: Develop practices, processes, and technologies for open, frequent, transparent and effective communication, both inside and outside the school.

- School Messenger used to keep parents and stakeholders informed through phone calls, text messages and emails.
- Monthly newsletter sent home and posted on website to keep parents and stakeholders informed.
- School news submitted regularly to various media outlets for publication and published on school Facebook page.
- Teacher webpages with school website maintained by media specialist.
- PTO communications monthly and student body/family involvement activities quarterly.
- Twitter account in place and maintained by assistant principal.

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