

# Port Royal Elementary

## SCHOOL MISSION

To create a learning environment that provides all children with the opportunity to grow physically, socially, emotionally, and academically while preparing them to be actively involved in any international setting.

## PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report is published annually to highlight the progress of Port Royal Elementary School in an effort to share the challenges and successes of the Port Royal Elementary Family during the 2010-11 school year. Thank you for your support and encouragement!



*Port Royal Elementary School is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement.*

*The current 2010-11 Accreditation Classification by the South Carolina State Department of Education is listed as "All Clear".*

# Teaching, Learning, and Leading

## The Leadership Focus

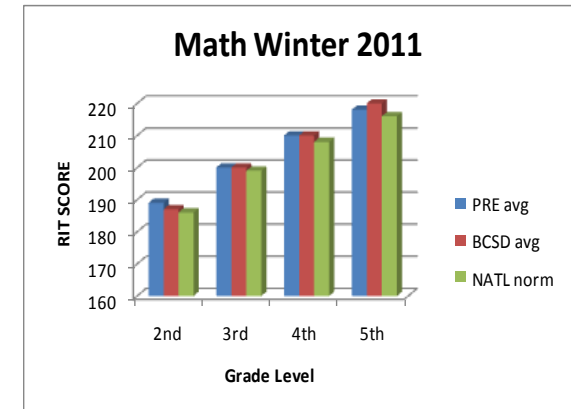
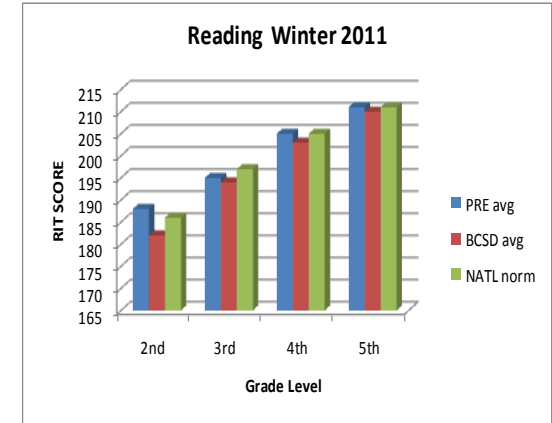
We are developing *The Leadership Focus* at Port Royal Elementary to prepare students for the 21<sup>st</sup> century, by focusing on skills beyond the explicit curriculum of the traditional classroom. Our students must learn to become effective communicators and to work cooperatively with others; they must also be able to think for themselves, to take initiative, and to become problem solvers. Using Steven Covey's *Leader in Me* and his *7 Habits* books as guides, we are integrating leadership and character education elements into the teaching and learning at Port Royal Elementary.



## GOALS

- Increase student achievement, by 2014, to exceed state and national averages
- Ensure best practices and resources in learning, teaching and leadership, consistently and equitably across the school system
- Actively engage community and stakeholders in school
- Provide resources for appropriate learning environments
- Ensure a safe and healthy learning environment in collaboration with community resources
- Develop practices, processes, and technology for open, frequent, transparent and effective communication.

# ACADEMIC PROGRESS 2011



**MAP assessments provide average RIT scores for each grade level which are calculated from the individual RIT scores for all children in that grade. RITs are used as a measure of student growth on a learning continuum in reading and in math. We are very pleased that we have met or exceeded national norms and district averages in most categories!**

*Spring 2011 MAP scores will be available in mid-May.*

## ***STRATEGIES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS***

- 2010 State of South Carolina Palmetto Gold Award for Outstanding Student Achievement
- 2010 State of South Carolina Palmetto Silver Award for *Closing the Achievement Gap* with children of poverty
- Achieved 2010 NCLB Adequate Yearly Progress
- School Report Card *Good* Absolute Rating with *Excellent* Improvement Rating
- Third-highest 2010 PASS growth index among elementary schools in South Carolina
- In spring 2010, 100% of grade levels exceeded district growth goals in Math; 5 of 6 grade levels exceeded district growth goals in Reading
- 100% of 2011 Winter MAP means in all grade levels and subjects exceeded 2010 Winter MAP means
- Winter 2011 MAP mean score in 100% of grade levels exceeded 2010 MAP means in reading and math
- Promoted Professional Learning Community through weekly Professional Development sessions in Literacy and Math with teachers
- Provided effective Extended Learning Time for underachieving students, reducing required students by more than 30%
- Celebrated Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony the Town of Port Royal
- Sponsored PTO Fall Festival with Town of Port Royal
- Collaborated with neighbors and community partners in the Extreme Makeover Landscaping Project at Port Royal Elementary
- Provided Annual Read Across Port Royal Day
- Participated in Savannah Sand Gnats' Book Bug Reading Incentive Program
- Conducted service learning projects to support CAPA, Jump Rope for Heart, American Red Cross and needy members of our PRE Family
- Awarded BCSD Educational Foundation Minigrant—Theresa Merchant

## **SIC MEMBERS 2010-11**

**Susanne Baisch, Chair**  
**Linda Gibson, Secretary**  
**Cynthia Brown, Community Member**  
**Jennifer Bradshaw, Parent**  
**Brian Herrmann, Parent**  
**Rebecca Compton, Faculty**  
**Lenore Stacks, Parent**  
**Jo Shirley, Ex-officio Member**



***Congratulations!***  
***Teacher of the Year 2010***  
Rebecca Compton  
***Staff Support Employee of the Year***  
Bonnie Pulaski



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## ***Annual Report To Parents 2010-11***



**Port Royal  
Elementary  
School**

***Charting our Course to Excellence***

***2010 Winner  
Palmetto Gold and  
Palmetto Silver Awards***



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