

## About Our School

Bowen's Corner Elementary offers a transdisciplinary curriculum in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) to PreK-5<sup>th</sup> Grade students. At the end of 5th grade, we expect all of our students to be able to demonstrate competency in state standards and foundational work and life skills.

These skills include adaptability, critical thinking, initiative, communication, advocacy, resilience, and collaboration. Each student participates in related arts classes weekly. Formal instruction is provided in Media Arts, Music, Physical Education, Visual Arts, Classroom Guidance, and Makerspace.

## Awards & Grants

- 2020 Dominion Energy Solar for Students Program Recipient
- 2020 MUSC Boeing Center for Children's Wellness School Gardening for SC Educators School Garden Kit
- 2020-2021 BoCo PTO Teacher Grants
- 2020 Google Grant for STEAM Education Purposes (\$25,723)

### Our Mission Statement

*In partnership with our community, ignite in every student a passion for world-class knowledge and skills through dynamic instruction and personalized educational opportunities.*

### Affiliations



## Bowen's Corner Elementary SIC Members

**Chair Person:** Allison Chmiel/ Erica Loa, *Teachers*  
**Vice Chair Person:** Alicia Jowers, P.E. Teacher  
**Secretary:** Lanora Rogers, Media Specialist

### Teachers:

Amanda Whitley	Elizabeth Abbott
Jennifer Lindley	Jessica Winters
Lynn Croll	Mary Shields
Shelly Sanders	Claire Sanders

### Administrators:

Kimberly Murray, *Principal*  
Christin Rogers, *Assistant Principal*

### Community Member/Stakeholders

Jennifer Rostin  
Bridget Shaw



## Teacher of the Year

### Brittany Gionakis

*"Being nominated and named the Bowen's Corner Elementary School 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year has been the most joyful, humbling, and rewarding experience of my teaching career. Having the privilege to be able to work, collaborate, and grow alongside the strong and dedicated educators at Bowen's Corner is something I will proudly represent and cherish each day."*



### Purpose of the Report

"This Report is issued by the Bowen's Corner 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."

# Bowen's Corner Elementary

## Annual School Improvement Council Report to Parents and Community 2020– 2021



### Our vision:

*Empower All Students for Success*



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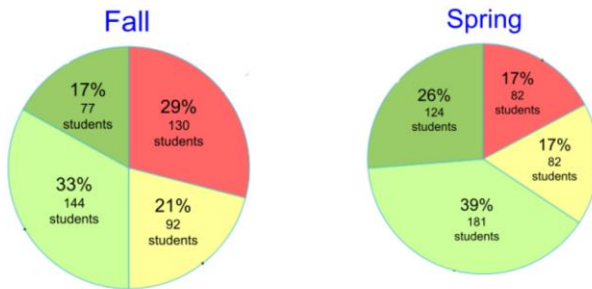
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## Student Achievement

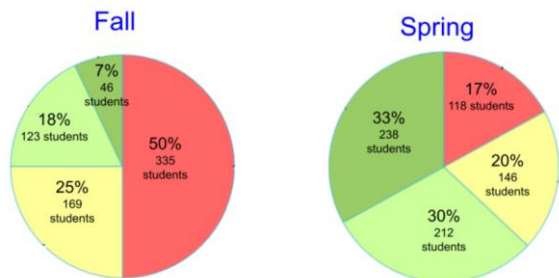
Bowen's Corner Elementary teachers administer benchmark assessments quarterly to gauge the learning levels and growth of each student. These assessments include:

- Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) in Fall
- Fountas and Pinnell; Grades K-5
- DIBELS Testing; Grades K-1
- Reading and Math Inventory District Benchmark Assessments; Grades K-5
- IXL Diagnostic Assessments for personalized learning
- Students work toward individualized reading goals.

### 2020 – 2021 Reading Inventory Growth



### 2020 – 2021 Math Inventory Growth



## Special Highlights

Character Education  
 City of Hanahan Mayor's "Hope" Art Project  
 Eaglets Nest (Before/After School Care)  
 Gifted and Talented Curriculum  
 Kids' Heart Challenge  
 Kindness Week  
 Leveled Literacy Intervention  
 Makerspace  
 Modified Field Day  
 Monthly Birthday Parades  
 Morning News Show  
 Multi-Tiered Systems of Support  
 Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports  
 PTO  
 Read-A-Thon  
 Red Ribbon Week  
 School Reading Program-GEAR  
 School Spirit Days  
 STEAM Units  
 Student of the Month  
 Swoop Groups  
 Virtual Art Show  
 Virtual Awards Ceremony  
 Virtual Book Fair  
 Virtual Family Nights



## Technology Initiative

At Bowen's Corner Elementary all CERDEP through fifth grade students have Chromebooks to use at school and home. Students participate in the Common Sense Media curriculum to promote digital citizenship. Our students also use Google Apps for Education. Our goal is for teachers and students to be proficient in the use of technology to enhance student learning and prepare them for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### PTO Spotlight

#### Fundraising

- Read-A-Thon (raised over \$30,000)
- Flamingo Flocking
- Little Caesar's Pizza
- Braided Bread
- Spirit Shop

#### Community Involvement

- Contests -Swoop Writing Contest, Pumpkin Decorating, Nailed It Baking Challenge
- Free Virtual Events - Bingo/Fungo, TikTok Dance session, Legacy Irish Dance lesson, Art night
- Spirit Nights -Kona Ice & Raising Canes

#### Teacher Support

- Teacher/staff lunches
- Monthly treats
- Awarded 14 Teacher Grants

#### Student Support

- Spirit Stick Program
- Monthly birthday signs at the school
- Birthday Grams