

WBMS Welcomes Guests:

- *Dr. Lew Smith-Panasonic School of Change Award
- *NIET Professional Filming Crew, California-TAP National Founder's Award
- *Stephen Peters-Founder of GC & Author
- *Amadu Massally-International Diplomat
- *Aunt Pearl Sue: - Gullah Story Teller/Teacher
- *Brunson Elem School-Instructional TAP Team
- *BCSD Academic Assessment Team
- *Wonders of the Rainforest-Exotic Animals Exhibit
- Theresa Jackson-Pathways in STEP Education Grant Alliance
- *Mr. Fred Washington, Dr. Cynthia Hayes,
- Mr. Herbert Glaze, Mrs. Andrea Allen, Mr. David McIntyre, & Officer Mobley-Bullying Prevention Forum
- *Lt. Alfredo Givens, Pastor James Moore, Mrs. Julia Wearrien, Ms. Erica Simmons, Asst. US Attorney Sean Kittrell, and Sp. Agent John Schroepfer-National Day of Concern Forum
- *Min. Gerald Dawson & Apostle Alfred Givens-Study Island Behavior Interventionists
- *Colleton County School Instructional Team Visit
- *Apostle Alfred Givens, Mrs. Tina Turner, Mr. Andre Stokes, & Mrs. Annette Singleton-PASS Test Monitors
- *All the parents, grandparents, guardians, & community advocates
- *Mr. Earl Campbell-WBMS Devoted BCSD Board Member

Home/School/Community Connections

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent to Parent • Mt. Carmel Baptist Church School Uniform Award • Gentlemen's/MOST Clubs • Art's Showcase • Athletic Award's Banquet • Zonta Club-Bft • Star-Watch/Kids in Kayak • Sheldon Township Pathways in STEP-Red Day Walkathon • Faith Leaders Luncheon • Mental Health Counselors • Hoops for Heart • Bullying Prevention Forum • National Day of Concern Forum • Clemson Extension & Waddell Mari culture Center | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Game Night, Family Literacy Nights • Parent/Community Liaison • Pathways Adult Computer Literacy Program • College Day and Career Day • STEM Showcase/Quarterly Student Presentations • Parent Educational Resource Center • School Messenger • School Fusion Web-Page • Report Cards & P/T Conferences • Gullah Christmas/Hairspray Plays • BC Gullah Festival Children's Day • Quarterly Honor Role & Academic Awards Ceremonies • Black History Month Celebration |
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Student Awards and Recognitions

- Junior Scholars :**
Rana Norris (8th Grader) & Judah Woods (7th Grader)
- BCSD Youth Leaders:**
George Delaney, Caleb Hill, Sonja Jones, & Adrian Manigo (7th Graders)
De 'Shawn Brown, Malik Brown, Stephon Eugene, & Keani Porter (8th Graders)
- Students of the Month (5th-8th Grade)**
Science Fair Winners (5th-8th Grade)
BC Youth Leaders Planning Session Members
(6th Graders)

Administrative Team

Matthew Hunt-Principal

Connie Singleton-Murphy-Assistant Principal

WBMS TAP Leadership Team:

Master "Mentor" Teachers:

Peter Burvenich (5th/6th Grade Cluster)

Angela Stewart (7th/8th Grade Cluster)

Matthew Hall (Academic Arts Cluster)

Master Teacher & WBMS Teacher of The Year:

Catia Gilbert

WBMS TAP Instructional Superstars!

All the "GROWTH MINDSET" Career Teachers

SIC Chairperson & Officers

Mrs. Mary Rock-Parent-

Shannon Alston-Parent

Annette Singleton-Parent

Mr. & Mrs. Dolley-Parent

PTSO President

Mrs. Christine Beeler-Parent

Athletic Booster Club Presidents

Mrs. Deeni Everly-Parent

SIC Members

Mrs. Mary Rock-Community Member

V. Cathcart & P. Burvenich-Teachers

J. Rivers & A. Stewart-Teachers

WBMS Academic Arts & Other Support Staff Members

SIC/PTO/Booster Club Meeting Dates

2011-2012

September 12, 2011

October 10, 2011

November 14, 2011

*December 12, 2011

January 9, 2012

February 13, 2012

*March 13, 2012

April 9, 2012

May 14, 2012

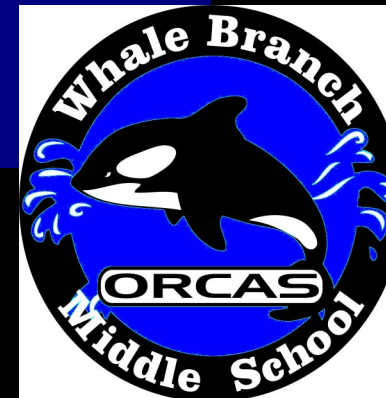
*Special WBECHS Cluster Meetings

Please Join Us in 2012-2013

Harvesting More Gifts & Achievements!

TAP National Founder's
Award

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Panasonic National
School Change Award

Mr. Holland's
Opus Foundation

School Improvement Council's Annual Report to the People 2011-2012

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This report is provided to parents in compliance with the Education Finance Act (EFA) of 1977, the Education Improvement Act (EIA) of 1984, and the Elementary and Secondary Act (Act 135) of 1993. It presents information about school accomplishments during the 2011-2012 school year.

Message from the SIC Chair

The School Improvement Council along with students, staff, and our valued community members gather suggestions, review goals, and report the successes and achievements of our community school. We strive to attain the highest standards of excellence for all.

WE BELIEVE:

- The educational needs of our students is our primary focus—for the wise are glad to be instructed.
- That we should teach children to choose the right path, and when they are older, they will remain upon it.
- An environment will be created for all students that will be conducive to learning the necessary skills to compete in life.
- The entire community must have genuine concern, compassion, mutual respect for students, and cooperation among school stakeholders.
- All children that enter our building are ten times better in matters requiring wisdom, knowledge, and balanced judgment.
- That our Teachers, Support Staff, and Administrators should be recognized for their efforts and progress in increasing student achievement.

WBMS Mission

The mission of Whale Branch Middle School is to provide challenging and diverse educational opportunities in a safe and supportive environment using the strengths and resources of the community to prepare students to become responsible, productive citizens and lifelong learners.

School Sponsored Activities and Opportunities:

- STEM Program/STEM showcases
- Core Content Academic Arts Integration
- Accelerated Math, Accelerated Reading
 - Compass Learning/Study Island
 - USA Test Prep
- Robotics/Greenhouse Studies & Gardening
 - Early Morning Program
- 21st Century After School Program
- “Orca”stra Steel Band/Hand Chimes
- Athletics/Hoops for Heart Competition
- Performing Arts (band, drum line, choir)
 - Student Government
- Gentlemen’s Club/Men Of Strength
- Champions of the Environment
- Clemson Exchange Nutrition Program
- Pathways in STEP Education & Health
- Beaufort-Jasper Comprehensive Health
 - TCL Upward Bound Program

2010-2011 WBMS Goals

Every student will increase their ELA academic performance level according to MAP by 1.5 years growth.

Every student will increase their Math academic performance level according to MAP by 1.5 years growth.

Every staff member and student will practice the 16 Habits of the Mind (intelligent behaviors); and follow the PBIS continuum to demonstrate socially acceptable behaviors.

School Award News:

Palmetto Silver Award
 Panasonic National School of Change 2011-2012
 TAP National Founder’s Award –2011-2012
 South Carolina State Department of Education
 Red Carpet School 2010-2011 (3 years)
 Science in the Schools Grant
 Mr. Holland’s Opus Foundation Band Grant
 SC Gear Up College Program Grant
 PBIS Ribbon School Award 2011-2012
 Pathways in STEP Education Grant 2011-2012
 The Low Country Institute Native Plants Grant
 Keep It Real Health Grant

WBMS School Highlights of 2011-2012

WBMS is the only school in the state to receive four major honors in the same school year.

Panasonic National School of Change Award
TAP National Founder’s Award (\$50,000)
Mr. Holland’s Opus Band Award
Palmetto Silver Award

Athletic Department

Athletic Booster Club
 Girl’s Basketball– District Semi-Finalist
 Boy’s Track-Second Place in District Conference
 WBECHS Jr. Varsity Wrestling Competitors
 Local & State Karate Competitors
 AAU Basketball District/State Competitions
 Up and coming athletes compete in sports through Parks and Leisure Services (PALS) in football, cheerleading, karate, basketball, baseball, softball, and soccer