

2014-2015 HIGHLIGHTS

Report Card Rating

2014 — Absolute Rating: Good      Growth Rating: Average  
2013 — Absolute Rating: Good      Growth Rating: Average  
2012 — Absolute Rating: Good      Growth Rating: Good

2014 Satisfaction with School Environment

Survey Results:	Teachers	Students	Parents
Learning	89.3%	68.1%	85.8%
Social and Physical	93.1%	72.4%	79.4%
School-Home relations	86.2%	84.5%	73.6%

2014 – 2015 Stakeholder Communication Survey Responses

Areas Surveyed	Strongly Agree or Agree
BMS involves parents in decision-making	89%
I stay informed of school events (Edmodo, Website, Friday Facts)	94%
I stay well-informed of my child’s progress in school	94%
Parents are welcome at BMS	94%

AT BMS THIS YEAR...

- \* Students wrote and set to music the BMS Alma Mater
- \* Beaufort History and Art Extravaganza planned and presented to community with area elementary schools, all students participated in the learning of the history; 125 students performed.
- \* Hosted Baystreet Brassworks for concert and master classes for band students
- \* The Gryphon Singers (35) sang for the SC Association of Middle Level Educators Conference
- \* After school programs in Dance, Robotics, Problem-solving, Art, and Tutoring; 85 students participated
- \* 45 students participated in E-Cyber Mission, an Army Educational Outreach Program that promotes STEM in schools
- \* Hosted Math and Science & Literacy Nights as part of parent outreach
- \* Participant in the Healthy Schools Program with Eat Smart, Move More of the Lowcountry
- \* Continued practice of the sixteen *Habits of Mind* and their integration with the curriculum
- \* Two published authors visited BMS
- \* Six artists in residence this year: Dance, Visual Arts, Music, Videography
- \* Eight 7th grade artists and authors were published in *River of Words 2015*
- \* Dramatic performance in the Fall (*Hoodie*) and a musical performance in the Spring (*Annie, Jr*) with 100+ students participating in the cast and crew
- \* 15 students displayed art in galleries in the community
- \* Funding for *It’s Your Game* Comprehensive Health Implementation Program
- \* Received grant funding for *Project Unify*, a division of Special Olympics (42 students)
- \* Piloted Unified Physical Education
- \* BMS raised \$8,000 for charities including Habitat for Humanity, American Heart Association, CAPA, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Help of Beaufort, and Toys for Tots
- \* 171 coats collected for local FWDG annual coat drive
- \* September 11th Remembrance Ceremony honored local first responders
- \* Celebrated Music in Our Schools Month with three feature concerts on Math & Science Night
- \* 12 students in Gentlemen’s Club and 11 students in GEMS mentoring club
- \* Walking Club funded by Play 360 (25 students)

STUDENT RECOGNITION

- ◆ 8th grade Junior Scholars – 16
- ◆ 7th grade students qualified to participate in Duke TIP Talent Search – 26
- ◆ 7th grade Duke Scholars who received State Recognition— 6
- ◆ Beaufort Junior Leadership Participants—13
- ◆ Six students participated in the Mayor’s Community Council
- ◆ Eight students were published in *River of Words 2015*
- ◆ 250 students participated in interscholastic sports this year
- ◆ 37% of 8th grade students enrolled in high school credit classes
- ◆ 31% of students received gifted and talented services (academically and artistically)
- ◆ One student auditioned and was selected to play in All-State Orchestra
- ◆ Three BMS students played in All-County Band
- ◆ 13 BMS students placed in the Regional Science Fair and 34 students participated
- ◆ 6th grade Environmental Studies class decorated a tree from recycled materials for the Festival of the Trees and won 1st Place in the teen division
- ◆ Twelve students auditioned for All-State Chorus
- ◆ Two 7th grade E-CYBERMISSION Teams (7 students) placed 1st and 2nd at the State level
- ◆ Football Champions—2014-15 Undefeated Season
- ◆ Baseball Champions—12-0 Season, Beaufort Co. Lowcountry League
- ◆ Softball Champions—Beaufort Co. Lowcountry League

SCHOOL AND STAFF RECOGNITION

- ◆ Recipient of Distinguished Arts Program (DAP) Grant Funding from State Department of Education
- ◆ Designation as Arts in the Basic Curriculum School (ABC) and Recipient of Grant Funding as ABC site
- ◆ 2014 Teacher of the Year– Patricia Fidrych
- ◆ 2014 Support Staff Member of the Year – Donna Nance
- ◆ BMS Teacher featured on WTOC as a Lowcountry Top Teacher
- ◆ BMS Teacher recognized as Teacher of the Month by a local business
- ◆ Three Teachers received grants for instruction, literacy, health and the arts
- ◆ Three Teachers presented best practices at BCSD Professional Development Day

BEAUFORT MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL  
REPORT TO PARENTS AND  
COMMUNITY  
MAY 2015

The purpose of this report is to inform parents of the progress Beaufort Middle School is making to achieve the goals and objectives of the 5-year strategic plan. The BMS School Improvement Council has prepared this report to share with you the celebrations and challenges unique to Beaufort Middle School.



**Our Vision**  
*Beaufort Middle School community envisions learners engaged in personalized, arts-infused, relevant experiences that guide and prepare students for an ever-changing global society.*

**Our Mission**  
*Beaufort Middle School exists to guide, prepare, and engage learners to succeed academically, artistically, and technologically in the future they create and serve.*



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STUDENT  
ENROLLMENT  
TOTAL– 557

6TH GRADE– 163  
7TH GRADE– 197  
8TH GRADE– 198

STAFF  
CLASSIFIED–15  
CERTIFIED- 42  
NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED-4  
ADMINISTRATORS-3  
INSTRUCTIONAL COACHES – 1.5



BEAUFORT MIDDLE SCHOOL RENEWAL PLAN

Goals and Progress

Goal 1: Maintain and communicate a purpose and direction for continuous improvement committed to high expectations for learning, as well as shared values and beliefs about teaching and learning.

- \* Communication with families and community through *School Messenger*, *Friday Facts*, BCSD/BMS websites, Facebook, Twitter, brochures, Edmodo, Power School
- \* Community involvement includes 6 artists in residence, 2 local authors, 12 science fair judges, Girl Scouts, Beaufort Soil & Water Conservation District, Carolina Hospice, Hope Haven, Lowcountry Raptors, Edventures, Leadership Beaufort, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, CAPA
- \* Development of Classical Studies Program
- \* Guitar, creative writing, dance included in academic arts offerings
- \* 145 registered, active volunteers for BMS
- \* Business partners: Grayco, Firehouse Subs, Sea Island Rotary Club, CGBS Residential
- \* Showcase nights for families focusing on math & science, literacy & history, performing arts, Program Choice Fair
- \* 29.5% of families attending BMS events
- \* 75 students consistently supported in after school tutoring
- \* 34 students engaged in support services through Gryphon Time
- \* Increase in E-Cybermission Team participation: 2014—5 teams, 17 6th grade students, 2015—13 teams, 44 students in grades 6, 7 & 8
- \* Gryphon Time enrichment period daily for all students
- \* Quarterly PBIS rewards
- \* Weekly advisory/seminar groups and focused lessons

Goal 2: Provide resources and services to ensure success for all students

- \* Arts integration training quarterly
- \* Grade level and department professional learning communities meet weekly and monthly
- \* Technology training for staff twice quarterly
- \* Induction staff training monthly; mentors provide support
- \* Use of Google docs for staff and students
- \* 97% of 8th grade IGP's completed
- \* Monthly classroom guidance sessions aligned to student needs
- \* Grant funding supports the arts and health/wellness
- \* Reduction in students assigned ISS: from 35% (2014) to 26% (2015)
- \* Reduction in students assigned OSS: from 17% (2014) to 14% (2015)
- \* Hosted visiting teams: Arts school, AdvancEd, Leadership Beaufort
- \* ISS Coordinator, Behavior Management Specialist, Literacy & Numeracy Coaches support students and staff

SPRING 2014 PASS – Met or Exemplary

	Math	Reading	Science	Social Studies	Writing
6th	69.3%	68.8%	59.4%	91.3%	80.8%
7th	73.3%	71.9%	76.2%	80.5%	75.7%
8th	67.5%	69.9%	67.7%	64.2%	71.7%

WINTER 2015 MAP - Average RIT

	Math	On grade level	Reading	On grade level
6th	221.7	67.7%	214.6	72.1%
7th	226	67.4%	218.2	70.4%
8th	229.9	67%	220	71.7%

Algebra I End of Course 2014 % Passing = 93.9%

Goal 3: Ensure teacher effectiveness and student learning across all grades and courses

- \* Differentiated Interventions for students: Read 180, math & reading tutors, Gifted Hour, Executive Functions, Troubadours, Percussion class, focused virtual support individualized for ELA & math, science focused labs, E-Cybermission
- \* Notes from staff professional learning communities in Google docs align with the work of the School Leadership Team: curriculum, instruction, data review, assessment
- \* Designed & adopted Focus “Four” Learning lesson structure
- \* Monthly media center reports of circulation highlight homeroom with most circulation
- \* Staff data analysis with district staff quarterly
- \* 45% decrease in print circulation of media center materials
- \* 85% increase in electronic circulation of media materials
- \* 24 focused media lessons/visits to media center
- \* ISS restructured mid-year to include daily, focused teacher support
- \* History and Arts Extravaganza for community with feeder elementary schools
- \* 5th grade teachers planned with 6th grade teachers for alignment of curriculum and assessment in the transition process

Goal 4: Implement a comprehensive assessment system that generates a range of data about student learning and system effectiveness and use the results to guide continuous improvement

- \* Student goal setting for winter and spring MAP based on individual student data
- \* Teacher goal setting based on student data
- \* Regular staff data reviews including standardized test data, classroom assessment data, discipline data, staff/student attendance data, stakeholder survey data, etc.
- \* Three visits by staff members to high achieving schools like ours
- \* Pre and post testing for each unit in Math classes
- \* Common assessments by course in each subject area
- \* Grade level, advanced, accelerated and high school credit class offerings
- \* Leadership assessment book study: *On Your Mark*
- \* Assessment conferences with teachers focused on gradebook analysis and grading best practices
- \* School based data analysis professional development with district lead teacher

Goal 5: Operate under governance and leadership that promotes and supports student performance and system effectiveness

- \* South Carolina State Report Card letter grade: B
- \* Successful participation in district AdvanceED accreditation process
- \* Data driven decision making in SIC, School Leadership Team, School Faculty Meetings
- \* Student driven decision making through surveys, lunch bunch with the Principal, feedback from Advisory period and Socratic Seminar
- \* Varied student leadership opportunities including Student Council, Junior Leadership Beaufort, spring musical *Annie, Jr*, Gentlemen’s Club, Project Unify, Walking Club, GEMS, classroom ambassadors, Beaufort Civic Youth Leaders, National Junior Honor Society
- \* Staff presentations at district level professional development
- \* Three staff members participating in courses for Gifted and Talented endorsement
- \* One staff member adding literacy endorsement

2014—2015

School Improvement Council, 2014—2015

Chairperson— Faye Alston  
Vice Chairperson— April Fletcher-Clark  
Secretary— Patricia Fidrych/Laura Richardson  
Principal— Carole Ingram  
Assistant Principals— Carrie Grilli and Jerry Henderson  
Members— Tanzala Shanklin, Lakinsha Petty, Bryanna Dennewitz, Dayna Hohlfeldt, Cabell Heyward, Laura Richardson, Nichelle Tyson, Amelie Cromer, Brooks Thomas, Kiani Major, Lorraine Burley-Knoles.

Parent Action Council Board, 2014—2015

President – Nichelle Tyson  
Vice President – Tanzala Singleton  
Treasurer – Tisha Young  
Secretary– Jennifer McPhail  
Community Member—Paul Sommerville  
Faculty Liaison—Patricia Fidrych

Student Council Members 2014—2015

Kyler Kenninger, Ava Maldonado, Manny Kinley, Kireston Feisthamel, Chelsea Roberts, Michael Holdridge, Kaedin Grissom, Jeremiah Blue, Kelly Murphy, Michaela Knoppel, Maurice Montgomery, Summer Pozas, Murray Flowers, Matthew Haley, Remy Poulin, Emily Carr, Kali Bledsoe, Charlotte Perry, Tyreisha Blue, Brady Bachmann, AJ Johnson, Myca Bradley, Makena Newsome, Jenna Dean, Phoebe Trainum, Avery Masters, Carter Thibault, Johnathan Pozas, Preston Lavender, Chase Vaigneur, Jaylen Bordeaux, Keona Dopson, Ryan Winkler, Madelynn Livingston, Ky McLemore, Elleana Gervero, Jasmine Callender, Rhea Desai

National Junior Honor Society Officers, 2014—2015

President—Irish Youmans; Vice President—Daphne Fraley;  
Secretary—Braylin Young; Program Coordinators—Lauren Angus and Emily Crosby

Yearbook Staff 2014—2015

Katelynn Cutie, Hailey Lamar, Hannah Phillips, Ky McLemore, Lila Gahl, Dora Meredith, Tyler Banks

Junior Leadership Beaufort 2014—2015

Katelynn Cutie, Heaven Davis, Keath Farmer, Bayli Lake, Helene Marshall, Madison Minderman, Kelly Murphy, Brittany Oliver, Jonathan Pozas, Logan Shissas, Janyah Singleton, Lillian Sumner, Phoebe Trainum,

Beaufort Civic Youth Leaders 2014—2015

Lila Alcott, Rayed Hamid, Sam Alston, Kyleigh Tokar

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