

2013–14 Highlights

Report Card Rating

2013 — **Absolute Rating:** Good
2012 — **Absolute Rating:** Good
2011 — **Absolute Rating:** Good
2010 — **Absolute Rating:** Good
2009 — **Absolute Rating:** Good

Growth Rating: Average
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2013 Satisfaction with School Environment

Survey Results:	Teachers	Students	Parents
Learning	84.8%	77.7%	85.9%
Social and Physical	91.2%	80.2%	84.8%
School-Home relations	87.9%	88.1%	78.2%

2013 – 2014 Stakeholder Communication Survey Responses

Areas Surveyed	Strongly Agree or Agree
Teachers Re-Teach so my child can Re-Learn	79%
I stay informed of school events through <i>Friday Facts</i>	100%
I stay well-Informed of progress & grades	92%
My concerns are addressed in timely manner	84%

...BMS This Year...

- ◆ Students used one-to-one iPad technology throughout the school day
- ◆ After school programs in Dance, Robotics, and Mathematics—35 students participated
- ◆ E-Cyber Mission, an Army Educational Outreach Program promoting STEM in schools—23 6th graders participated
- ◆ The Sustainability Group from TCL hosted a Green Apple Day of Service event at BMS for the fitness trail
- ◆ Hosted visitors from South Africa on a Rotary Friendship Exchange
- ◆ Hosted a school visit for the SC Arts Education Association Conference attendees
- ◆ Hosted several Kenya National Yoga Teachers as part of the African Yoga Project
- ◆ 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 of adolescent literature held seminars with BMS students
- ◆ Three residencies with visual artists, one musical residency, and one photo journalist residency
- ◆ 7th grade students integrated music and science with a visual artist, contributing to the *River of Words* project; seven artists and authors were published in this county document
- ◆ Students participated in Heroes on Horseback
- ◆ Dramatic performance in the Fall and a musical performance in the Spring—72 students participated in the cast and crew
- ◆ 23 students displayed art in galleries in the community
- ◆ Funding for *It's Your Game* Comprehensive Health Implementation Program
- ◆ Received Gifting Initiate funding for *Overcoming Obstacles* Life Skills Program
- ◆ Received grant funding from *Project Unify*, a division of Special Olympics
- ◆ BMS raised \$7,000 for charities including Habitat for Humanity, American Heart Association, CAPA, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, HELP of Beaufort, and Toys for Tots
- ◆ 75 coats collected for local FWDG Annual Coat Drive
- ◆ 21 BMS students participated in theater, orchestra, and choir in our community
- ◆ 55 students led our September 11 Remembrance Ceremony
- ◆ BMS hosted a county mixed choral festival, 26 students participated; 40 students participated in district choral clinics
- ◆ Eighteen students are in Gentlemen's Club and 16 students in GEMS, mentoring club



Student Recognition

- ◆ 8th grade Junior Scholars – 19
- ◆ EXPLORE Scholars, 8th graders in the top 20% of their peers in the nation and in the top 8% of their BMS peers recognized—22
- ◆ 7th grade students qualified to participate in Duke TIP Talent Search – 32
- ◆ 7th grade Duke Scholars who received State Recognition— 4
- ◆ Academic All Stars, athletes with 3.5 or better GPA—32
- ◆ Beaufort Junior Leadership Participants—21
- ◆ Ten BMS 8th graders participated in the Daughters of the American Revolution Essay Contest
- ◆ Volleyball and Girls Basketball teams won 1st place as Regional Champions
- ◆ Over 200 students participated in interscholastic sports this year
- ◆ Seven BMS students participated and placed in state and national wrestling championships
- ◆ 8th grade students inducted as members of National Junior Honor Society—30
- ◆ 29% of students enrolled in high school credit classes
- ◆ 30% of students receive gifted and talented services (academically and artistically)
- ◆ Seventeen BMS students played in All-County Orchestra, 2 in Regional Orchestra and 1 in All-State Orchestra
- ◆ Eleven BMS students played in All-County Band
- ◆ Seventeen BMS students placed in the Regional Science Fair and 46 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
- ◆ Five students auditioned for All-State Chorus
- ◆ Two Media Arts students entered portfolios in the Piccolo Spoleto Rising Stars Competition

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
- ◆ Lowcountry Urgent Care donation to BMS athletics
- ◆ 2013 Teacher of the Year—Alexis Hines
- ◆ 2013 New Teacher of the year Rotary Award Winner—Emily Keener
- ◆ 2013 Support Staff Member of the Year – Willie Mae Hampton
- ◆ BMS Teacher featured on WTOC as a Lowcountry Top Teacher
- ◆ Two Teachers recognized as Teacher of the Month by a local business
- ◆ Teacher received a Literacy Grant from the Beaufort Education Foundation
- ◆ Two staff members presented at the SC Middle School Conference on Math, Literacy and Problem-Solving
- ◆ Three Administrators presented at the SC Administrators' Association Conference

Beaufort Middle School

School Improvement Council Report to the Parents and Community

May 2014

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 envisions 21st century adolescents who take action in their community, value the fine arts, and are prepared for their future as critical, creative thinkers and problem-solvers.



arts in basic curriculum
ABC PROJECT

Our Mission

Beaufort Middle School exists to foster a thriving community of life-long learners.

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STUDENT ENROLLMENT	CLASSIFIED-14
TOTAL-617	CERTIFIED- 45
6TH GRADE-208	NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED-5
7TH GRADE-215	ADMINISTRATORS-3
8TH GRADE-194	INSTRUCTIONAL COACHES – 1.5

Beaufort Middle School Renewal Plan

Goals and Progress

Goal 1: Increase student achievement to exceed state and national averages and ensure the success of all learners.

- ◆ Received an ESEA Federal Accountability Rating of 88.4, grade of B, "Performance exceeds state expectations" based on PASS 2013
- ◆ Extra Support classes provided during exploratory periods, READ 180, Summer School, and After School Tutoring provided students additional support in math
- ◆ TAP Professional Development Clusters focused on Informational Text and Algebraic Thinking, as these were the highest need areas in reading and math
- ◆ Professional Learning in content areas focused on implementation of Common Core State Standards

SPRING 2013 PASS – Met or Exemplary

	Math	Reading	Science	Social Studies	Writing
6th	79.3%	75%	74.2%	80.2%	80.8%
7th	67.2%	73.8%	74.9%	74.3%	71%
8th	75.3%	70.9%	75.9%	69.4%	82.1%

WINTER 2014 MAP - Average RIT

	Math	Reading
6th	219	213
7th	226	216
8th	230	220

Algebra I End of Course 2013 % Passing = 97%

Goal 2: Design and implement curriculum that integrates the arts, humanities, and community while facilitating achievement for all students.

- ◆ Artists in residence for visual arts funded through DAP grant integrated theater and language arts
- ◆ *River of Words* project integrated ELA, Science, Humanities and the Arts
- ◆ Drama class in master schedule for all grades; school wide Spring musical
- ◆ Media arts integrated technology and graphic design
- ◆ iPad Technology integrated in all content areas for application of problem-solving and critical thinking
- ◆ Literacy integrated through informational text and constructed response writing
- ◆ Community resources integrated through careers, as mentors, as guest speakers and local scholars
- ◆ E-cybermission met as after school club to integrate STEM
- ◆ After school dance, robotics, and math clubs
- ◆ Band and chorus students competed at Carowinds Music Festival, performing for nationally known adjudicators

Goal 3: Integrate on-going assessment into instruction.

- ◆ Staff developed performance Tasks first semester and utilized them with rubrics for integrated learning
- ◆ On-going use of Power School
- ◆ Assessment staff conferences were held during second semester
- ◆ Lesson plan format focused on mastery learning developed during staff professional development
- ◆ Student reflections on grades, progress and goal setting integrated regularly into advisory
- ◆ Document based questions, writing, and science experiments were common assessments used
- ◆ Content training monthly for staff focused on integration of Common Core Standards

Goal 4: Maintain effective professional learning communities that focus on best practices in teaching and learning.

- ◆ In fourth year of Federal TIF grant to fund TAP for teachers
- ◆ Professional Learning in weekly TAP clusters focused on informational text and algebraic thinking strategies
- ◆ Common Core State Standards implementation focus of monthly staff learning by departments
- ◆ Professional development included best practices district training, CCSS in faculty and department meetings, differentiation, performance tasks, assessment, best practice strategies for improved instruction

Goal 5: Create rich, rigorous thoughtful, safe environments where students learn 21st century skills for success.

- ◆ Consistent, regular practice of all safety and security drills
- ◆ Continued practice of the 16 *Habits of Mind*
- ◆ *Overcoming Obstacles*, Life Skills Program, used in advisory classes
- ◆ Discipline data shows a decrease in behavior referrals over last year
- ◆ 7th and 8th Grade implementation of *It's Your Game* curriculum
- ◆ CHOICES, led by local community members, provided 8th graders with career information and guidance

Goal 6: Build and strengthen a relationship-rich community of engaged families, staff, students, local communities, and cluster schools.

- ◆ Active Parent Action Council serves as core group of volunteers for school support and improvement
 - * Sponsored athletic banquets
 - * Sponsored two school dances
 - * Provided lunch for support staff
 - * Sponsored Teacher breakfast
 - * Recognized Teacher Appreciation Week
 - * Hosted monthly parent events
 - * Coordinated concessions for athletic events
- ◆ 98% parents attending conferences
- ◆ Families invited to visit BMS designated days of the year: Thanksgiving lunch and classroom visits, Celebrations of Achievement, Showcase, Concerts, Open House and Orientation, Focus on the Arts
- ◆ Junior Leadership Beaufort Program for 8th grade students includes Rotarians, Leadership Beaufort, and local businesses and organizations
- ◆ Active Partnerships with Special Olympics, Army Educational Outreach Program, community partners including Piggly Wiggly, Beaufort Soil and Water Conservation, Caroline Hospice, ARTWorks, HELP of Beaufort, Chick-fil-A
- ◆ Recognition of students quarterly for documented community service hours through the President's Volunteer Service Award Program
- ◆ *School Messenger* used regularly to communicate with families

2013–2014

School Improvement Council, 2013–14

Chairperson – Lakinsha Petty
Vice Chairperson – Carol Dadson
Secretary – Jenny McKenzie
Principal - Carole Ingram
Assistant Principals – Carrie Grilli and Jerry Henderson
Members – Faye Alston, Melissa Beere, Dee Black, April Fletcher-Clark, Bryanna Dennewitz, Anne Greene-Desmore, Charlotte DiOrio, Vicki Goude, Dana Hohlfeldt, Kay Keeler, Laura Richardson, Amy Sumner, Nichelle Tyson, Melissa Williams

Parent Action Council, 2013–14

President – Nichelle Tyson
Vice President – Anne Green-Desmore
Treasurer – Tisha Young
Secretary – Eugenia Henderson
Community Member—Paul Sommerville
Faculty Liaison—Alexis Hines

Student Members 2013–14

8th Grade—Jada Hudgins, Emily Goude, Yessica Mejia
7th Grade—Keona Dopson, Ryan Winkler, Conor Joye, Madelynn Livingston
6th Grade—Ky McLemore, Elleana Gerrero, Jasmine Callender, Rhea Desai

National Junior Honor Society Officers, 2013–14

President—Amos Henry; Vice President—Johnathan Bacon; Secretary—Dylan Williams; Treasurer—Halli Nold; Activities Directors—Phoebe Capps and Walker Gentry

Yearbook Staff 2013–14

Camryn Adams, Wells Bowden, Katelynn Cutie, Anne McKenzie, Yessica Mejia, Corinne Mullen, Ruby Smith, Talia Terrell, Marissa Thompson, Kyleigh Tokar, Tamesha Wallace, De'Asia Walters, Sierra Weaver

Junior Leadership Beaufort 2013–14

Alison Bishop, Kaitlyn Bishop, Phoebe Capps, Catherine Coxwell, David Deloach, Walker Gentry, Emily Goude, Rasikh Hamid, Elizabeth Henderson, Jacob Horton, Zoe Klauck, Corinne Mullen, AJ Myers, Halli Nold, Tara Norton, Aaron Peterson, Nickayla Riley, Ruby Smith, Savannah Thomas, Taylor Weaver, Desmonies White