

**State of SC Annual Report Card  
Ratings over 5 year period**

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	ESEA
2015	Excellent	Good	
2014	Excellent	Average	B
2013	Good	Below Avg	C
2012	Excellent	Excellent	A
2011	Excellent	Excellent	Not Met
2010	Excellent	Excellent	Met
2009	Excellent	Good	Met
2008	Good	Average	Met
2007	Good	Average	Met
2006	Excellent	Good	Met

**Additional Student Services**

- Reading Recovery Teacher, grade 1
- Reading Coach
- One and 1/2 Speech Teachers
- ESOL Teacher
- One and 1/2 School Counselors
- Teachers for Gifted Talented Students  
Grades 3-5
- Full Time Nurse
- School-wide Bully Prevention Program
- Math Lab Teacher

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**School Improvement Council  
2015-2016**

Rebecca Koelker..... Principal, Ex-officio  
Leroy Walker.....Assistant Principal  
Paula Simmons.....Chairperson  
Jenny Good .....Parent  
Marianne Swearingen.....Teacher  
Traci Nelson.....Teacher  
Jill Klopp.....Parent  
Ashley Greenwood.....Parent  
Keisha Uhle.....Community Member



**Aiken  
Elementary  
School**

**2016 Annual School  
Summary Report**

**National School of  
Excellence**

**2016 Palmetto Gold Award  
Nation**



*Amanda Brewer*  
Teacher of the Year

## School Renewal Plan Goals/Supporting Activities

### Student Achievement:

- By Spring 2016, 80% of students will score at the met or exemplary level in the four core areas of SC Ready

### Teacher/Leadership Quality:

- By Spring 2016, 100% of highly qualified teachers

### School Climate:

- By Spring 2016, 88% of stakeholders will indicate satisfaction with the learning environment, social-physical environment and home school relations as measured by the State Report Card Survey.

### Supporting Activities:

- Compass Pathblazer for all students.
- Analyze and use data to plan and evaluate instructional strategies and programs.
- Reduce performance discrepancies among groups of students (African American & Caucasian) to below 5%.
- Computer lab to provide students with more opportunities to practice Math, ELA, Science and SS and to improve research skills.
- Implement research based strategies and use of technology to enhance instruction and improve student achievement.
- Integrate technology into classroom instruction to provide students the opportunities of involvement with a variety of technology.
- Use research based strategies to ensure that students receive instruction through a variety of modalities and learning styles.
- Utilize RI (reading inventory), SMI (math inventory) and district benchmarks to track students' progress and set goals.
- Utilize professional learning community meetings to facilitate deeper analysis and reflection of instructional practices.
- Provide for a collaborative culture with a focus on action and results-oriented learning with a commitment to continuous improvement of teaching and learning.
- Create safe, orderly and supportive learning environments and hold high expectations for students.
- Four full circle technology classrooms.

## Supporting Activities Continued:

- Provide on-going staff development on Aiken County Literacy Initiative.
- Implement school-wide Bully Prevention Program using the Olweus Program.
- Support behavior expectations: Be safe, be responsible, be respectful.

### School Mission Statement

The mission of Aiken Elementary is to meet the educational needs of our students through a challenging, innovative, standards-based curriculum in a safe environment supported by parents and community.

### Beliefs:

- Student learning is the primary focus of all decisions.
- All students have the ability to achieve.
- The school, community, parents and students form an educational partnership.
- Each student's worth and diversity is respected and valued.
- Instruction incorporates a variety of strategies to accommodate differences in learning styles, interests and needs.
- Technology is readily available to all students and staff and integrated into the curriculum.
- All students are responsible and accountable for their decisions and actions.

### How Parents Can Become Involved:

- Parent-teacher Conferences
- Title one meetings
- PTO/SIC meetings
- Field trips
- Open house
- Have lunch with your child
- School sponsored activities
- Surveys
- Suggestion box
- Watch Dog Program
- PTO Volunteer Opportunities
- Parent/Instructional Information Sessions
- Volunteer, volunteer, volunteer!

## Fast Facts:

Student Enrollment: 848  
Number of Certified Staff: 64

### Student Daily Attendance

2015	95.9%
2014	96.7%
2013	96.8%
2012	97.3%
2011	96.5%
2010	96.2%
2009	96.8%
2008	96.8%
2007	96.3%

### Daily Teacher Attendance

2015	98.8%
2014	98.7%
2013	94.7%
2012	93.7%
2011	94.1%
2010	94.8%
2009	96.4%
2008	98.4%
2007	95.7%

## Related Arts Activities

Art  
Music  
Physical Education  
Media Center  
Math Lab



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