

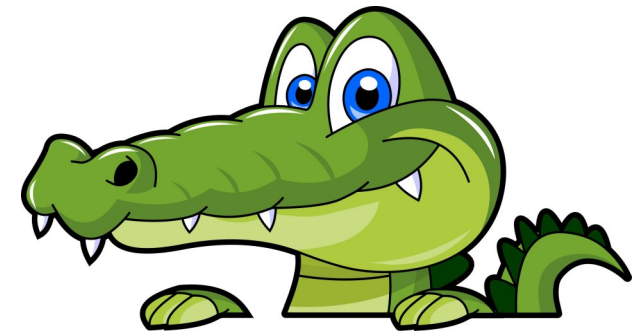
Grassy Pond Gators And Our Community

- Career Fair with Cherokee Technology Center
- Campo Giorno by Know 2 Sponsored by Brad Wilkins Remax
- Service Projects : Canned Food Drive—Miracle Hill, Jump Rope for Heart—American Heart Association, March of Dimes
- Community Outreach : Book Fair, Santa Shop
- YMCA After-School Program
- Good News Club with Grassy Pond Baptist Church
- Limestone College Mentor Program
- Too Good For Drugs
- Fit2gether Super Saturday
- Walk to School Day
- Fire Safety House



School Activities

- Beta Club
- Morning News Crew
- Fall & Spring Book Fairs
- Chick-fil-a Character Program
- Career Day
- Lego Robotics
- Honor's Choir
- Yearbook Staff
- PTO
- Odyssey of the Mind
- Science Fair
- Student Council
- Student Recognition each Nine Weeks
- Music Programs
- Spelling Bee



Grassy Pond Elementary School

Report to the Parents

Cherokee County School District 1

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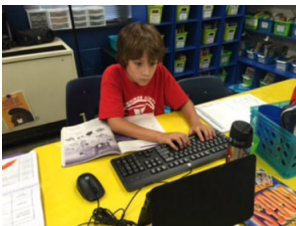
Purpose of the Report

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 Academic Act (Act 135) of 1993. It presents information about the school's accomplishments and updates on the school's goals.



Achievements

- District First Tee Skills Contest Winner
- District Writer's Gala Winner
- District Free Throw Contest Winners
- MLK Art Contest Winner
- AdvancEd Accreditation
- Title 1 Reward School



Mission Statement

The mission of the Grassy Pond Elementary School Family is to ensure all students receive quality educational experiences in a safe environment in order to become contributing members of our community.

School Statistics

Enrollment: 532 Students
 68% Caucasian
 20% African-American
 12% Hispanic & Other Ethnicities
 64% on Free and Reduced Meals
 95.8% Average Daily Attendance

Review of 2015-2016 Focus & Goals

- Utilize Staff Development days and Wednesday faculty meetings for professional development on the Implementation of South Carolina College and Career Readiness Standards and Project Based Learning
- Continue to monitor, track, and improve our Response to Intervention
- Improve Guided Reading/Small Group Instruction by implementing Jan Richardson's Next Steps
- Analyze Student Test Data from various sources, such as: STAR, SC PASS, SC Ready, ITBS/CogAt, GOLD, and DIAL 4 in order to create goals to monitor and improve student learning
- Implementation of LLI for Reading Intervention

Summary of 2015—2016 SC Ready % of students Ready or Exceeding

Grade 3	School	District
ELA	44.8	38.3
Math	58.9	44.8
Grade 4		
ELA	45.1	36.0
Math	51.7	40.7
Grade 5		
ELA	34.2	33.3
Math	36.6	33.1

Summary of 2015—2016 PASS % of students Ready or Exceeding

Grade 4	School	District
Science	69.4	53.3
Social Studies	85.5	76.8
Grade 5		
Science	53.7	57.6
Social Studies	69.5	60.9