

J. D. Lever Elementary Achievements



*Palmetto Silver Award Winner for
General Performance*

Vision

“Building for a Better Tomorrow,
One Child at a Time.”

Beliefs

We believe:

Children should be nurtured.
All children can learn.
Children should learn to be
responsible to themselves and
others.

J. D. Lever Elementary School Improvement Council

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School Report Card

Absolute Rating – Average
Growth Rating – Average

J. D. Lever Elementary School is
accredited by the Southern Association
of Colleges and Schools.

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School Summary Report Annual Progress Report Goals and Objectives J. D. Lever Elementary School 2011-12



Teamwork

“Together We Achieve the
Extraordinary”

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2012-2013 Goals and Objectives

- Test data will continue to be analyzed to assist teachers in modifying and assessing instruction.
- The Student Intervention Team (SIT) will continue to collaborate to identify low-performing students.
- The Title III ESOL component will continue to be implemented for limited English proficient students.
- A school-wide character education program reinforcing positive behaviors will continue to be implemented.
- J. D. Lever will continue to offer an after-school program on campus.
- “Family Night” activities, including an evening book fair, will continue to be offered to promote the importance of reading and writing.
- The Gifted and Talented students will continue to participate in the Lego League Program for Robotics.
- Core Curriculum staff development for teachers will be a priority.
- Parent/Teacher communication through monthly newsletters, agendas, and boomerang folders will continue to be a top priority for the 2012-2013 school year.
- The website will continue to be updated on a regular basis to provide up-to-date information.
- The “Caught Being Good” reward program will be used to reward students who show good behavior.

2011-2012 Accomplishments

- J. D. Lever earned the Palmetto Silver Award for academic performance.
- Computer software was integrated in the ESOL program for limited English proficient students.
- Dental screening by a local, certified dentist was provided for kindergarten through second grade students.
- MAP, PASS, and Dominion testing data were used to monitor and guide instruction.
- Student Intervention Team (SIT) continued to be implemented to provide assistance for low-performing students.
- Compass Learning computer software was utilized to provide additional instruction in reading and math.
- Teachers used the CAI computer lab for skill practice in ELA and Math in order to assist students in achieving academic success.
- A registered nurse worked closely with faculty, staff, and parents to target student health issues.
- Emergency procedures, including safety drills, were reviewed and updated.
- An evening Build-A-Book activity was provided for parents and their children to promote reading.
- An evening book fair was held to offer parents a chance to purchase books for their children.
- An Instructional Coach was used to assist teachers in gathering data and implementing new instructional ideas.

Our School Today

J. D. Lever Elementary School is a Title I school which serves 593 students in grades K-5. The following are some of the comprehensive efforts the faculty and staff have initiated in order to support student achievement:

- Universal Breakfast Program – This program provides a free breakfast to all students.
- Registered Nurse – A registered nurse is available on a daily basis to meet the medical needs of the students and staff.
- Professional Development School (PDS) A partnership between J. D. Lever and USC-Aiken provides college students with “real world” experiences in a classroom setting and tutoring services for J. D. Lever students.
- Reading Recovery/Intervention Program Two Reading Specialists work with low-performing students in grades K-3.
- Math and Reading Interventionists Math and reading interventionists are available to provide assistance for students in grades 3-5.

Additional Programs

- National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP)
- First Tee Program
- Backpack Snack Program
- Terrific Kids Program
- People of Character Program
- Jump Rope for Heart
- “Caught Being Good” Reward Program
- EIA After-School Program