

Recognitions

National Board Certified Teachers

Julie Foster, Lisa Blanton

Teacher of the Year-*Randi Heffner*

Support Staff of Year- *Kristen McLain*

Reading Teacher of the Year School

& District: *Allison Cash*

South Carolina Reading Initiative School

March of Dimes Fundraiser Winner

School Events

- American Cancer Society Relay for Life
- Annual School-Wide Fun Day Celebration
- Book Fairs (2 per year)
- Buffalo Lodge #202 Student Award
- Campo Giorno Winner 3 events
- Partnership w/BHS Agriculture Class
- Character Education Focus — Monthly
- Computer Lab, STAR, 1:1 Initiative
- Parental Information Mtg.
- Community Reads, PJ Reads
- Conservation Poster Winners
- Cystic Fibrosis Partnership
- Blacksburg Public Library Program
- Dental Screenings for all first graders
- Dr. Suess Reading Across America
- Family Fun Night/Musicals (2 per year)
- Grits for Grandparents
- Hands-on Science Lab
- Iron City Ministries Award
- Jump Rope for Heart Winners
- KNOW2 Partner School
- Pennies for Patients Winner
- PBIS School
- PTO/SIC
- 2 time winner of Recycling Grant
- 3 time winner of First Book Awards
- Santa Shop for students
- School Mall Participating School
- Sheriff's Programs (Anti-Bullying & Summer Safety)
- End of year Academic Program
- Partnership w/DHEC-Willie Sarratt
- Project Based Learning Classrooms
- Walk to School Initiative
- Young Writer's Gala District Winners

Our School Today

The average daily attendance for the 2016-2017 school year was 94%. The student-teacher ratio was 19 to 1. The percentage of parents attending conferences was 99.9%. Blacksburg Primary School a Title I school and is accredited by the State Department of Education and by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

PTO Officers:

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School History

Blacksburg Primary School is the second school to bear that name. Our history can be traced to the late 1800's as The Blacksburg Graded School. That school was demolished and Blacksburg Grammar School was built in the same spot in 1940. That school was replaced by the first Blacksburg Primary on Hardin Street in 1987. In 2004 the second Blacksburg Primary was opened at the current location on East Cherokee Street.

BLACKSBURG PRIMARY SCHOOL

Report to
the Parents
2017-2018



BPS

**Where we play, learn and
grow together!**

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Mission Statement

The mission of Blacksburg Primary School, in partnership with families and the community, is to create an environment where students feel safe and valued as they build academic and social skills, confidence, and character to become successful learners.

Our Vision

The vision of Blacksburg Primary School is to meet the needs of all students. We provide age appropriate experiences that will help students become successful. As we strive toward excellence in academics, we provide many opportunities that foster learning. As required by law, I must inform you that all of our teachers are *highly qualified*.

Our Beliefs

- *Meeting our students' needs and providing many and varied opportunities to learn are the chief priorities of our school.
- *Each student is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional and intellectual needs.
- *Students learn best when they are authentically engaged in the learning process.
- *Curriculum, instructional practices, and assessment involve a variety of learning experiences to accommodate individual differences.
- *A safe nurturing environment promotes student learning and confidence.
- *Student self-esteem is enhanced by positive relationships and mutual respect among and between members of the student community.

Evaluation of School Renewal Plan Goals for 2016-2017

Review of 2016-2017 Strategic Plan Goals

- Update infrastructure with state of the art technology, provide mandatory training, implement a 1:1 initiative program. This will begin this fall.
- Promote a positive image throughout all facets of BPS, providing necessary resources.
- Develop and implement a plan focused on strengthening professionalism.
- Develop and implement a plan to create and sustain a safe and positive environment at BPS.



School Statistics

Grades Pre-K—2nd

Enrollment: 430
84 % Caucasian
9 % African-American
7 % Other
Free & Reduced Meals
100% CES Grant

School Report Card

Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2018. Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate.