

State of SC Annual Report Card

Ratings over 5 year period

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2013	Average	Below Average
2012	Average	Average
2011	Average	Average
2010	Average	Average
2009	Average	Average

2013 PASS Scores

Percent Met or Exemplary

Area	3rd	4th	5th
Writing	60.5	61.1	68.5
ELA	78.2	74.4	78.5
Math	46.0	74.4	62.4
Science	58.1	77.8	61.7
Social Studies	81.8	78.9	58.7

ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System based on 2013 PASS scores:

Overall Points Total: 71.6

Overall Grade: C

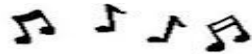
Fast Facts:

Student Enrollment: 649
Number of Certified Staff: 46

School Improvement Council

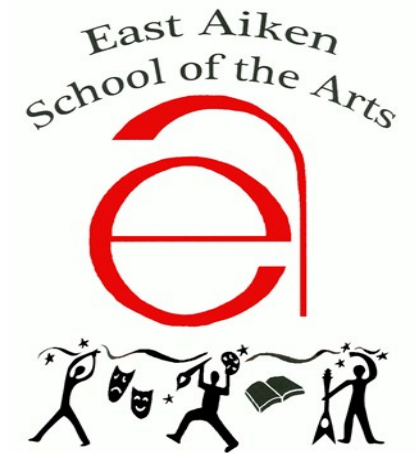
2013-2014

Lisa Fallaw.....Principal, Ex-officio
Christin Abernethy.....Assistant Principal
Bethany Ressor.....Chairperson/Parent
Cassie Barnhill.....Parent
Joyce Spires.....Parent
Laura Pharr.....Parent
Megan Jensen.....Teacher
Velma Brown.....Staff Member
Angela Zaremba.....Community Member
Theresa Tobin.....Community Member
Charlie Tyler.....Community Member



How Parents Can Become Involved:

- Attend Parent-Teacher conferences
- Attend Title I meetings
- Be a PTO volunteer
- Attend PTO meetings
- Attend SIC meetings
- Chaperone field trips
- Attend Open House
- Eat lunch with your child
- Attend school sponsored activities such as Family Fun Reading Night, Family Fun Math Night, and ArtsFest
- Be a school volunteer



2013-2014 Annual School Improvement Council Summary Report to Parents

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An Arts in Basic Curriculum School

School Renewal Plan Goals and Supporting Activities

Student Achievement:

- By spring 2019, 88% of East Aiken students will meet or exceed standard on the ELA portion of our state's standardized assessment, 78% of East Aiken students will meet or exceed standard on the math portion, 79% of East Aiken students will meet or exceed standard on the writing portion, 82% of East Aiken students will meet or exceed standard on the science portion, and 85% of East Aiken students will meet or exceed standard on the social studies portion.

Teacher/Leadership Quality:

- By Spring 2019, 100% of East Aiken School of the Arts classes will be taught by highly qualified teachers as defined by state public school laws.

School Climate:

- By Spring 2019, 92% of the school stakeholders will indicate satisfaction with the learning environment, 95% satisfaction with social and physical environment, and 94% satisfaction with home-school relations as measured by the state report card survey.

Supporting Activities:

- Analyze testing data (formative and summative, including standardized tests and classroom assessments) to identify strengths and weaknesses in order to make instructional decisions and meet student needs.
- Employ a full-time Reading Recovery Teacher for grade 1.
- Employ a full-time Math Interventionist grades 5K-5.
- Employ a full-time Instructional Coach.
- Employ a full-time Behavior Management Room Aide.
- Employ one teacher at 1.0 FTE to reduce class size to provide more individual and small group academic instruction in a certain grade(s).
- Integrate technology into the classroom by purchasing class sets of iPads per classroom.
- Use research-based strategies to ensure that students receive instruction through a variety of modalities and learning styles.
- Use flexible grouping with small groups of at-risk students in the areas of math and reading.
- Purchase professional development and/or instructional materials to effectively implement strategies such as small group instruction, effective questioning techniques, and arts integration.
- Provide for a collaborative culture with a focus on action and results-oriented learning with a commitment to continuous improvement of teaching and learning.

Our School Mission Statement

The mission of East Aiken School of the Arts is to:

- Accommodate differences,*
- Reveal a passion for learning,*
- Teach appreciation, and*
- Stimulate creativity.*

We Believe:

- Through the arts, students learn life skills that enable them to become more creative and productive citizens.
- The arts are an integral part of the academic curriculum.
- The arts benefit students of all learning styles and abilities.
- All students are entitled to a comprehensive and sequential arts education program.

Our Vision:

Our Vision for East Aiken School of the Arts is to strive for academic excellence through the arts.

Teacher and Student Achievements

- Home to Kristen Carroll 3rd place winner in the MLK Jr. Essay Contest
- Palmetto Silver Award Winner 2011-12 and 2012-13 for Closing the Achievement Gap
- Began a partnership, Rotary Readers, with the Aiken Rotary Club
- Awarded \$5,000 in SRNS Innovative Teaching Mini Grants
- Awarded two PEP Project of the Month grants
- Awarded a \$1000 SRS STAR Grant for four consecutive years
- Awarded the Distinguished Arts Program Grant by the SC Department of Education
- 2012-2013 Teacher of the Year: Mrs. Megan Jensen
- 2013-2014 Teacher of the Year: Mrs. Ivey Peteet
- 2012-2013 Classified Employee of the Year: Mrs. Velma Brown



East Aiken School of the Arts is an Arts in Basic Curriculum School

The Aiken County School District recognizes and supports the desires of families to choose the best educational setting for their children. Because experiences in the arts are closely correlated with student achievement, the district wants to increase opportunities for students to participate in the arts. East Aiken School of the Arts offers open enrollment for all Aiken County kindergarten through fifth grade students in order to meet both of these goals! At East Aiken School of the Arts you can expect to find:

- Fully certified art, music, and physical education/creative movement instructors
- A comprehensive and sequential arts program
- General education teachers trained in arts-infused instruction
- Arts Integration used in all academic settings.
- A school-wide "Acting Right" drama-based behavior management system
- Low cost after-school opportunities in violin, guitar, and dance instruction
- No school fees beyond those required at other Aiken County elementary schools

