

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

Manning Primary School is "Wild About Learning." Our school's mission is educating children. During the 2011-12 school year, Manning Primary School focused on building positive relationships among faculty, parents and students and ensuring optimum achievement for all students.

Manning Primary offered numerous instructional programs to meet the needs of its 457 second and third grade students. The Save the Children Literacy Program served 135 students through in-school and after-school programs. There are 20 technology classrooms which are utilized by teachers to enhance instruction and curriculum. A computer assisted instructional program, Classworks, provides our students with extra support in their areas of academic weakness. The Measure of Academic Progress computer assessment was administered 3 times during the year. Data from this assessment was used by classroom teachers to ensure quality instruction for our students. This data was also used to identify students to receive additional instruction in the areas of math and reading in our PASS Power after-school program. We initiated computer time for early arrivers. A summer school program for our rising third graders will enrich their academic skills. Rigorous curriculum alignment in second and third grade was accomplished through the use of common assessments in the areas of reading, math and social studies. Data from these assessments was used to identify those curriculum indicators that needed to be retaught in order to ensure mastery. Weekly grade level meetings were held to keep instruction aligned to the state standards.

Manning Primary has numerous programs to meet the needs of the "whole child." We were actively involved with several community agencies. We had an on-site counselor from Clarendon County Mental Health and Clarendon Behavioral Health Services offered counseling for our students. Character education was addressed daily through our morning show, outside marquee, posters, and banners reminding us of our character trait for the month. We have a host of community volunteers. A mentor program was initiated to provide our students with positive role models. These mentors gave guidance and individual attention. We have foster grandparents who are an integral part of our Save the Children Program. Our local Rotary Club donated dictionaries for every third grade student. Our students have access to the Smiles Dental Clinic. Manning Primary students have the opportunity to participate in the Clarendon Christian Learning Center. Our business partners, McDonald's and Arvin Meritor, provided monetary contributions and incentives for various family-oriented activities.

Through the years, Manning Primary School has garnered numerous awards and accomplishments and has been recognized for "Closing the Achievement Gap" among sub groups in 2002, 2003, and 2007. Our school received the Silver Award in 2005 and 2010 and the Palmetto Gold Award in 2006. MPS is also a Red Carpet School. Manning Primary School has three National Board Certified Teachers. MPS is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Judy Holmes, Principal

Evaluations by Teachers, Students and Parents

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	27	183	114
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.6%	82.8%	92.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	88.9%	83.1%	85.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	84.6%	82.8%	87.5%

* Only students at the highest elementary school grade level and their parents were included.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A–Not Applicable N/AV–Not Available N/C–Not Collected N/R–Not Reported I/S–Insufficient Sample