

## School Achievements

- 5<sup>th</sup> year Capturing Kids' Hearts School
- Named Capturing Kids' Hearts National Showcase School
- Reading Buddies-Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Peyton Sears-Fox and Andrea Byers, PTA Students of the Year
- Krysten Woods, PTA Volunteer of the Year
- Donna Stevenson, PTA Support Staff Member of the Year
- Emily Stasek, PTA Teacher of the Year
- Penni Byrd, PTA Administrator of the Year
- S. Gilliard Donor's Choose Grant funded for awards day lanyards for those in need
- M. Peterson PTSA Mini-Grant funded for standards aligned reading stations
- Students received lanyards, buttons, and pins for academic excellence.
- Terrific Kid Ceremonies
- Honor Roll Ceremonies
- Boosterthon Fun Run focusing on inclusive playground equipment. Raised over \$18,000.
- Emily Stasek named OES Teacher of the Year and a top 10 finalist for District Teacher of the Year.
- Heather Baldwin named OES Rookie Teacher of the Year.
- Elizabeth Larbi named OES STAR Performer of the Year.
- Cari Lawson, Counselor of the Year
- OES Bear Bots Robotics Team won 2<sup>nd</sup> Place at First Lego League Lowcountry Qualifier.
- S. Gilliard and D. McGrady accepted in the Unboxing CT Teacher PD Project Summer 2024.
- Special Olympic Unified School
- Elementary flagship school for Special Olympic Inclusion Events.

## Oakbrook Elementary SIC Members

Kim Boutin, Principal  
Dr. Morelisa Sabb-Cordes, Assistant Principal  
Shantae Gilliard, Title One Facilitator  
Dottie McGrady, Media Specialist  
Mike Ward, Parent  
Aris Rodriguez, Parent  
Nancy Evans, Parent  
Betsy Blain, Parent  
Kim Flood, Community Member  
Christopher Gerry, Community Member



## Purpose of the Report

*"This Report is issued by the Oakbrook Elementary School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year."*

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Annual  
School Improvement Council

**"Report to the Parents"  
2023-2024**



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***"Success...One piece at a time"***

# SIC Annual Goals

## GOAL 1: Student Achievement

Increase performance rates of all students in math on state and local assessments and maintain a comprehensive Pyramid of Behavioral and Academic Intervention plans for Grades K-5.

**Strategies:** Implement MTSS process; focused data meetings and planning days; targeted professional development on differentiated instruction and vertical alignment

## GOAL 2: Teacher/Administrator Quality

Continue to hire and retain highly qualified teachers at Oakbrook Elementary School.

**Strategies:** Participate in Recruitment Fairs. Assign Mentor Teachers.

## GOAL 3: School Climate

Continue to improve school culture and climate, and develop relationships amongst faculty, students, and families.

**Strategies:** Implement Capturing Kids Hearts and Suite Microburst for 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade students. Implement RCD training strategies. A School-wide focus on Affirmation Stations and Social Contracts.

**~The School Improvement Council provides valuable suggestions and input to assist OES in meeting these goals.**

# OES School Environment

- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Strategies (PBIS)
- School-wide incentive celebrations for all grades
- Bear Bucks Cart for students earning Bear Bucks for positive behavior
- Positive Referrals for grades preK-5<sup>th</sup>
- Bear of the Day recognized by faculty and staff members daily
- Story Time with Ms. Gilliard throughout the year on Microsoft Teams
- Raising Readers Program for K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade families
- Countdown to Kindergarten
- Oakie Cub Club
- weekly communication with parents through Blackboard
- School-wide Wednesday folders sent home
- PTA Facebook Page
- Family and Community Facebook page
- Faculty Awards – Staff recognized monthly
- Month long activities of college and career readiness by the school counselors – Career Café, Career cluster exploration and Career Vehicle Day
- Read Across America Week school-based events for students and staff
- Red Ribbon Week based on “Be A Purple Person”
- STEAM Night held in January with stations around the school for families
- SORA, online library for students and families to checkout eBooks
- Technology Professional Development provided to all employees
- After School Tutoring paid with Title I funds
- Classroom based subscriptions to Reading A-Z, Raz Kids Plus, and Generation Genius for instruction
- Responsibility Centered Discipline refresher for staff

- Student-led “Good Things” morning news show took place throughout the year with fifth grade anchors
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade Safety Patrol for morning car rider and bus arrival
- Clubs met monthly on Early Release Days for 2<sup>nd</sup> -fifth graders
- STEAM focused days on Early Release Days for Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grades
- Monies raised for Relay for Life and American Heart Association
- Implementation of Schoology platform
- Books and Beyond gifted every student two new, free books of their choice
- Bus of the Month awarded and celebrated monthly
- Partnership with “Be A Mentor” program.
- Reading buddies with Riverbluff Church
- Oakie Cub Club for 18 mos. To 4-year-old future Oakie Bears in conjunction with the Parent Involvement Center



- OES held a successful Love Gave event in December. Clothes, books, and household items were given to families in need as well as food.
- Award Ceremonies for grades.
- Parenting and family engagement events took place throughout the year
- Grade level showcase nights were held monthly in which families participated in STEAM stations, an art slide show, parent information session, as well as a musical performance by the students