

Exciting Events and Programs at North Augusta Elementary

- 5th Grade Spelling Bee
- Looney Toons Bank for Students
- Safety Patrol
- International Day
- Math and Science Day
- Parent Workshops
- Summer Reading Program
- Family Y Prime Time After School Program
- Reading Intervention Program
- 5th Grade D.A.R.E. Program
- Student Council for Grades 3-5
- PTO Fall Carnival
- PTO Father / Daughter Dance
- Talent Show
- Positive Office Referrals
- Augusta Greenjackets Reading Program
- Relay for Life
- Book Fair
- Dolphin News
- Good Morning Dolphins Radio Program
- Reading Programs
- Nine Weeks Ribbon Awards Ceremonies
- NAE PTO Scholarships
- 100 Book Club and Pagemaster
- Field Day
- Character Education Program
- Red Ribbon Week
- Spirit Nights at Chick-Fil-A
- Character Parade
- Accelerated Reader
- Box Tops and Labels for Education
- Student Interviews and Published Work in the North Augusta Star and North Augusta Today Newspapers
- Gifted & Talented Program
- Volunteer Tea
- NAHS Teacher Cadets
- Veterans Day Program
- Author Visits
- Grandparents' Day Activities
- Running Club
- Jazzercise
- Great Leaps Reading Program
- Polar Express Day
- 5th Grade Reading Buddies
- Outdoor Leadership North Augusta Learning Pavilion
- Spring Fashion Show
- Artists in Residence

Members of the North Augusta Elementary School Improvement Council (S.I.C.) prepared this information. S.I.C. meetings are posted in the weekly newsletter. Interested parents and community members are welcome to attend.

North Augusta Elementary

An Award-Winning Aiken County School



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Mission: Our mission at North Augusta Elementary is to work cooperatively with parents and the community to promote academic success and critical thinking in a safe, challenging environment with high expectations in order to develop lifelong learners.

2012 - 2013 Report to Parents and Community

2012-2013 School Improvement Council

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Purpose:

This report from the School Improvement Council presents North Augusta Elementary's accomplishments and progress toward goals established in the 2009-2014 School Renewal Plan.

Goal 1: Increase Student Achievement

- North Augusta Elementary received an ESEA grade of 98.3/A. This grade was the second highest grade in the school district.
- On the 2012 School Report Card, North Augusta Elementary received an Absolute Rating of "Good" and a Growth Rating of "Good."
- North Augusta Elementary had the highest 2012 4th grade PASS Social Studies scores in Aiken County.
- North Augusta Elementary received the Palmetto Silver Award for student achievement in the Spring of 2012.
- The school used Dominie, Compass Learning, PASS and MAP data to monitor and guide instruction.
- To boost student achievement in all areas N.A.E. utilized the District Literacy Model to instruct students during the daily 90-minute uninterrupted reading block.
- Single gender and co-ed classes were offered in the fifth grade.
- Math/Science Day, Career Day, and International Day were held as extension of the curriculum to involve parents and the community in the N.A.E. instructional program.
- Reading Recovery instruction was provided to first grade students that needed additional assistance in reading.
- A School Intervention Team met monthly to support teachers in analyzing school and class-level achievement data.
- SMARTBoards were utilized in all classrooms across the curriculum.

Goal 2: Increase Teacher Quality

- Teachers attend professional development activities throughout the school year, including scheduled activities during early release days.
- Reading teachers participate in Dominie training on administering and analyzing the assessment and its results.
- Teachers and administration review MAP and Dominie data to plan lessons and staff development needs.

Goal 3: Improve School Climate

- Quarterly ribbon ceremonies were held to recognize student achievement during the nine weeks grading periods.
- The school web-site is maintained and parents receive a weekly newsletter with important information about upcoming events and instructional programs.
- Parents were given access to the Powerschool Parent Portal allowing them to access student's grades and attendance information.
- Day and evening events were held to increase parent involvement in school activities.
- Students were honored for achievements and excellent behavior through Positive Office Referrals. Students received certificates and pencils at school. Postcards were mailed home to parents.
- On the 2012 School Report Card Survey, **100%** of the North Augusta Elementary parents surveyed rated North Augusta Elementary "okay, good or very good" in the following categories:
 - The school's overall friendliness.
 - The school's interest in parents' ideas and opinions.
 - The school's efforts to get important information from parents.
 - The school's efforts to give important information to parents.