

## School Achievements

NAUES continues to be a proud Leader in Me school. Through this whole-school transformation model, we empower students with the leadership and life skills they need to thrive. By fostering a culture of character, responsibility, and student voice, we are helping every Dolphin discover their full potential—one habit at a time.

We're sending a wave of appreciation to our incredible Student Advisory representatives, Jackson, Grayson, and Olivia, in representing North Augusta Elementary with pride, leadership, and a true spirit of excellence. A huge THANK YOU for being such fantastic role models and for showing what it truly means to lead with the heart.

Congratulations to Lily Zhou who emerged as the champion of the Aiken County Area 2 Spelling Bee!

NAUES students participated in collection drives to benefit local food shelters, sun glasses mission support, led our veteran recognitions during the Veteran's Day event, and logged over 1,000 miles during our annual Dolphin Dash event.

SIC and PTO partnered with NAUES throughout the year to provide goodies, lunch duty coverage, recognize Teacher of the Month, and other staff events to show their appreciation for our teachers.

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## North Augusta Elementary School 24-25 SIC Members

*Chair: Emily Smith, Teacher*  
*Principal: Mr. Eliezer Badillo*  
*Secretary: Jesica Boyd, AP*  
*Tim Burkett, PTO Rep*  
*Derek Boyd, Community Member*  
*Kimberly Brown, Counselor*  
*Darlene Rojas, Parent*

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### Purpose of the Report

*"This Report is issued by the North Augusta 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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## North Augusta Elementary School Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2024-2025



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### Vision:

We envision our school as a safe instructional environment where all students will have their individual needs, differences and abilities recognized and will be challenged to excel in learning supported by a cooperative school community.

### Mission Statement:

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

## SIC Annual Goals

During the 24-25 school year, the NAUES SIC decided to focus on building a partnership with the NAUES PTO as a fundraising entity to support the vision of creating a caring closet for students in need of basic clothing and hygiene needs. The SIC looks forward to implementing the closet during the 25-26 school year, as the raising of the funds, purchasing of the racks and other goods has taken place this year.

The team worked with local businesses, churches, and individuals to procure organizational materials as well as the products to go in the backpack program. SIC partnered with Aiken Barnwell Mental Health for behavioral health counseling to provide SEL sessions to our students. Alliance Therapy Dog partnered with SIC as a reading intervention for our students. SIC helped implement NAUES Literacy Nights and assisted with Field Day activities. Aiken Career Center assisted with in obtaining props for our Lion King, student-led, production.

## Student Achievement

North Augusta Elementary School achieved an overall score of “Average” in their first year as an established building.

NAUES students scored above the district average (52.9%) on the 23-24 ELA portion of the SCReady state assessment.

NAUES students scored above the district average (37.3%) for the math portion of the SCReady state assessment.

Data was reviewed at various meetings, teachers and student input were also solicited and discussed at the meetings to for ongoing professional development taking place to not only improve scores, but prepare NAUES students for success.

*“For more information, you may view Myschool’s “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov).”*

## Additional Information

As a school in Aiken County Public Schools, North Augusta Elementary School draws students from area 2. One main goal for NAUES was to build a culture of teamwork, school branding, and inclusion.

In order to achieve this goal, North Augusta Elementary focused on building student engagement activities through organizations such as All Pro Dads, Covey Clubs, planning implementation of NAUES Student Ambassadors, Leader in Me, and our Superintendent’s Student Council.

We additionally incorporated experiences for different grade levels and focused on a student attribute each month. These attributes were highlighted by recognizing students for the “Habit Hero” of the month during townhall meetings each month. We also highlighted and recognized student groups and upcoming events in these meetings.

- Eliezer Badillo, Principal
- Emily Smith, Chair of SIC