

W. E. Parker Elementary School

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Report to the People

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Gaye Holmes

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School Statistics

- Enrollment: 477 students
- 2 Administrators
- Master Teacher
- Literacy Coach
- Media Specialist
- Guidance Counselor
- 40 Certified Teachers
- 8 Paraprofessionals
- 1 School Nurse

A Message from the Principal

W. E. Parker Elementary School is helping all students to develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring and academically challenging environment where all students are encouraged as indicated by our motto, to "Imagine it, Dream it, and Make it Come True." Students are challenged to strive to do their personal best each and every day. Focusing on positive behavior, our students are taught what respect for themselves, others, property and learning looks and sounds like, and how developing these skills will help them to be successful both now and in the future.

Research suggests that the single most important factor in influencing student achievement is the teacher. All of our teachers are highly qualified, dedicated teachers who believe in meeting the needs of each child. Led by our master and mentor teachers, professional development focused on our school's need for improvement is provided weekly. Our literacy coach assists our teachers in improving our school wide literacy program through model lessons and related professional development. As a result of the TAP and the R2Succeed initiatives, our teachers are speaking a common academic language.

To meet the diverse academic needs of our students, three resource teachers, a gifted and talented teacher, a media specialist, two reading recovery teachers and a RTI specialist provide additional support services. Students also receive two periods per week of Success Maker, a computer-assisted program that provides prescriptive instruction for students after a placement test. Other computer based resources include Reading Eggs, Study Island, Fastt Math and Math Seeds.

Over the last three years, W. E. Parker has been climbing the ladder of success. This year we received the Palmetto Silver Award for closing the achievement gap. We also received the Palmetto Gold Award for our absolute rating of Excellent on the SC School Report Card.

At W. E. Parker Elementary, we will continue to monitor our programs and make changes as necessary to insure that our students receive the best education possible with the staffing and funding that we are provided. Thank you for your continued support in helping us as we prepare our future SC graduates!

Gaye Holmes, Principal

WEP At a Glance

- ◆ Accredited School
- ◆ Red Carpet School
- ◆ Palmetto Gold Award Winner
- ◆ Palmetto Silver Award Winner
- ◆ Schoolwide Title I School
- ◆ TAP School for 6 years
- ◆ 3 Computer Labs
- ◆ 4 Mobile Chromebook Carts
- ◆ Promethean Boards in all Classrooms
- ◆ Study Island
- ◆ Success Maker
- ◆ Fastt Math
- ◆ Early Bird Math
- ◆ After-school Chorus and Drama
- ◆ Yearly Musicals/ *Jungle Book 2016*
- ◆ Annual Science Day
- ◆ Summer Reading Camp
- ◆ Summer ESOL Program
- ◆ At-risk Students Summer Camp
- ◆ SHARE Program for At-risk students
- ◆ Awarded \$10,000 in various grants
- ◆ Participants in Jump Rope for Heart., St. Jude's, and March of Dimes
- ◆ Food Drives, Angel Tree, and Power Packs for the needy
- ◆ Beta Club
- ◆ Family Math and Science Night, Family Literacy Night, Data Night, and Family History Night

Today,
I pledge that I will respect myself. I will respect others. I will respect property. I will respect learning. I am a proud member of the Parker Pride.



Review of 2015-2016 School

Curriculum

- ◆ Identified Vocabulary as focus for the school year
- ◆ Field-tested appropriate instructional strategies
- ◆ Master teacher presented strategies to the teachers and the teachers to the students
- ◆ Literacy coach supported ELA teachers and assisted them with small group instruction
- ◆ Implemented LLI support for students receiving Tier 2 interventions
- ◆ Scheduled 2 periods of computer-assisted instruction using Success Maker for all K-5 students

- ◆ Developed a school reading plan
- ◆ Purchased books to increase classroom libraries as required by R2Succeed
- ◆ Provided Professional Development weekly for teachers

School Environment

- ◆ Freshly Painted Cafeteria
- ◆ Beautiful Murals in Cafeteria
- ◆ Quarterly Staff Events to boost morale

Home School Connections

- ◆ 2 Report Card Conference Nights
- ◆ Family Nights

- ◆ Monthly Parker Page
- ◆ Monthly Home-School
- ◆ Connection Newsletter
- ◆ Open Invitation for parents to have lunch with child
- ◆ Grandparents' Day Breakfast
- ◆ Pastries for Parents
- ◆ Numerous Family Nights
- ◆ Open House
- ◆ Meet and Greet
- ◆ PTO

School Renewal Plan Goals for 2016-2017

Curriculum

- ◆ WEP will continue to use data to drive curriculum such as SC Ready, PASS, MAP, DRA, F&P, PALS
- ◆ Continue to review and field-test research-based strategies that focus on our identified goals from Spring MAP, SC Ready, and Pass
- ◆ Develop units to integrate Social Studies, Science, and ELA
- ◆ Continue to focus on a balanced literacy approach
- ◆ Address "soft skills" needed by the SC Graduate

Environment

- ◆ Continue to have special days and recognitions for students and staff
- ◆ Continue to provide meaningful professional development

Home-School Connections

- ◆ Continue to keep stakeholders informed
- ◆ Publish monthly Parker Page
- ◆ Update webpage and Facebook
- ◆ Continue to host Family Nights and Special Days

Act Aspire 2015

	Percentage of students scoring <i>In Need of Support or Close</i>			Percentage of students scoring <i>Ready or Exceeding</i>			Mean (scale score) for the group of students		
	WEP	STATE	DISTRICT	WEP	STATE	DISTRICT	WEP	STATE	DISTRICT
English									
Grade									
3	25.80	34.90	33.50	74.20	65.10	66.50	416.10	415.70	415.30
4	20.20	32.80	30.20	79.80	67.20	69.80	421.50	419.60	419.80
5	27.80	32.40	31.80	72.20	67.60	68.20	423.70	422.50	422.50
Mathematics									
Grade									
3	32.30	42.00	40.00	67.70	58.00	60.00	414.10	413.20	413.20
4	46.50	50.60	55.90	53.50	49.40	44.10	416.40	416.00	415.40
5	34.70	51.80	51.00	65.30	48.20	49.00	420.60	418.20	418.50
Reading									
Grade									
3	64.50	68.20	72.50	35.50	31.80	27.50	412.60	411.60	411.10
4	62.60	67.20	72.70	37.40	32.80	27.30	415.40	414.30	413.80
5	54.20	66.40	65.50	45.80	33.60	34.50	418.10	417.00	417.10
Writing									
Grade									
3	88.30	83.80	90.10	11.70	16.20	9.90	421.60	421.90	420.90
4	81.60	81.30	80.30	18.40	18.70	19.70	424.40	424.30	424.40
5	90.30	83.10	88.50	9.70	16.90	11.50	422.50	422.70	421.70

SC PASS 2013-2015

Science									
	Not Met			Met			Exemplary		
Grade	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
3	40.6	38.6		43.8	40.9		15.6	20.5	
4	26.2	37.7	23.2	52.3	47.8	66.7	21.5	14.5	10.1
5	41.9	12.1	23.9	39.5	63.6	57.7	18.6	24.2	18.3

Social Studies									
	Not Met			Met			Exemplary		
Grade	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
3	19.4	11.1		48.4	53.3		32.3	35.6	
4	12.3	11.6	9.1	53.8	52.2	48.5	33.8	36.2	42.4
5	40.5	21.9	18.3	31	37.5	42.3	28.6	40.6	39.4

Note: In 2013 and 2014 only 50% of fourth graders were tested for Science and Social Studies
Beginning in 2015 100% of fourth grade and fifth grade students are tested in Science and Social Studies