

Programs and Enrichment

In addition to the high-quality, standards—based core curriculum provided at Greenwood Elementary, our faculty, staff and community members offer an array of programs and enrichment opportunities for our students to participate in throughout the school year. Some of the offerings include:

- ◇ Standards-based Art, Music, PE, & Technology Classes
- ◇ Core Essentials Character Ed
- ◇ Title 1 — KJ's Family Math Night
- ◇ Title 1 Family Literacy Night at the Museum
- ◇ Artist in Residence and Horizons Art
- ◇ Greenwood Chorus, Band and Strings
- ◇ Title 1 Family STEM Nights
- ◇ WGES Morning Show
- ◇ Spelling Bee
- ◇ All Pro Dads
- ◇ BETA Club
- ◇ Safety Patrol



- ◇ Good News Club
- ◇ REACH
- ◇ Extended Day

In uiring Minds = Learning Minds!

Greenwood Elementary has a rich history of providing a safe and trusting environment for students to learn and grow. The 2017-18 school year saw our teachers, students, and parents continue to engage in “STEM-ulating” learning experiences as part of the Project Lead the Way: Launch curriculum in which each grade level integrated two units of study that provided hands-on, minds-on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics lessons in which students apply critical thinking and problem-solving skills as they deepened their understanding of the various topics of study. GES provided programs such as



Reading Recovery, LightSail, Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI), Read across America Activities, Incentives, Book Fairs, Family Literacy Night at the Museum, and

Media Center times to create and foster students’ love of reading. Schoolwide we are committed to reading and continue to use \$10K+ Title 1 funds to purchase books for classroom libraries. GES has two full-time computer labs, two laptop carts, SC-ETV Video Streaming programming, iPads, iPad-minis and Chromebooks for 1:1 Device-to-Student ratio in grades 3 and 4 and 1:2 Device-to-Student ratio in all other grades. A long tradition of putting children first and a mission of *making today a better tomorrow* continues to be the driving force as we strive to meet our students’ needs.

2017-18 School Improvement Council

Annual Report to Parents



Greenwood Elementary

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Greenwood Elementary School is committed to helping students reach their greatest potential.





A Message from the GES School Improvement Council

The SIC (School Improvement Council) serves as an advisory committee to the school. The SIC meets monthly and works collectively with the parents, educators, and community stakeholders to improve student achievement. The SIC publishes an Annual Report to Parents each spring to inform our stakeholders of the progress being made in achieving our school improvement goals. The Annual Report to Parents includes achievement information as well as the school's plans for continued improvement.

Awards & Accomplishments:

- ◆ Palmetto Silver Award —
2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16
- ◆ Alliance for a Healthier Generation —Bronze Award 2013, 2014
 - ◆ The School Foundation Grant: Project Lead the Way - Launch
 - ◆ MUSC and Boeing Wellness Grant
 - ◆ Sam's Club School Garden Grant

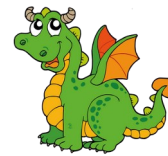
SC Annual Report Card

<u>Year</u>	<u>Absolute Rating</u>	<u>Growth Rating</u>
2015	Average	Average
2014	Average	Average
2013	Average	Average
2012	Average	Average
2011	Average	Good

Please Note: Based on state law, schools and districts will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2018.

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Home of the Dragons!



Strategies for Improving Instruction

- * Weekly, on-site professional development meetings based on implementing best practices in the classroom
- * District professional development training by District Curriculum Coordinators and Specialists on best practices and updated standards
- * Math Design Collaborative (MDC)
- * Digital Leaders Corp and Google Classroom
- * Weekly lesson plans aligned to standards and the FSD1 Curriculum Alignment Document (CAD)
- * Quarterly Benchmark tests for the core subjects and standards taught
- * Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Tests to measure student growth academically for fall to winter to spring
- * School-wide implementation of Writer's Workshop
- * School-wide hands-on, minds-on implementation of Everyday Math and enVision Math Programs
- * Title 1 Classroom Assistants that provides assistance in reading strategies for students using LLI
- * Formal classroom observations, feedback and reflections on implementing best practices in the classroom
- * Parent / teacher conferences to discuss student growth and progress
- * Extended Day Program with homework help and small group tutoring



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Parents & Community Involvement:

- ✓ Greenwood APT
- ✓ Faith Based Mentors/Volunteers
- ✓ School Improvement Council
- ✓ Greenwood Baptist Church
Community Partners
- ✓ Title 1 Parent Workshops
- ✓ FMU Partnership
- ✓ National Network of Partnership Schools
- ✓ Title 1 KJ's Family Math Night
- ✓ Title 1 Family Literacy Night at the Museum
- ✓ Golden Kiwanis—RIF
- ✓ Rotary Club—Dictionaries
- ✓ Good News Club
- ✓ Title 1 Family STEM Nights
- ✓ All Pro Dads
- ✓ Florence-Darlington Technical College Student Dental Hygienists
- ✓ Grits for Grandparents
- ✓ Pastries for Parents
- ✓ Girl Scouts
- ✓ Boy Scouts



Ways we give back:

- ◆ Jump Rope for Heart
- ◆ Annual Fall Food Drive
- ◆ Hat and Mitten Giving Tree
- ◆ Wreaths across America