

## Student Activities and Opportunities

- Reading Counts
- First in Math
- State Superintendent's Writing Contest
- Flag Patrol
- WBEE-TV Morning News
- Classworks Computer Lab
- High Flyers Chorus
- Busy Bee Extended Day Program
- PASS Attack After-school Program
- Talented and Gifted Program
- JCL Pageant
- "Frosty the Snowman" Artist in Residency program
- District Arts Showcase
- Lake City Tobacco Festival
- Ronald E. McNair Day
- Healthy Kids Fair
- Math Fall Festival
- Media Assistants
- Character Education Incentive

## ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Red Carpet School 2007-2010
- Palmetto Silver Award 2008-2009
- Met AYP for 7 consecutive years 2002-2009
- SC Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Grant
- Distinguished Arts Program Grant
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Accreditation
- National Network of Partnership Schools

## School Improvement Council

Amanda Jones, Chairperson

Amanda Wilkes, Parent

Angelina Myers, Parent

Crystal Crawford, Parent

Pennie Poston, Teacher

Fran Cantey, Teacher

Mark Brisebois, PTO President

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## Report to Parents Spring 2011



*"Busy Growing the Future One Mind at a Time"*

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## Our Mission

The mission of JCLES is to grow the future one mind at a time.

## Our Beliefs

- Student learning is our top priority.
- Students are the primary focus of all decisions.
- Students learn in different ways.
- Each student is a valued individual.
- A student's self esteem is enhanced by positive relationships and mutual respect.
- A safe and physically comfortable environment promotes student learning.
- Excellence in learning is directly related to excellence in teaching.
- Everyone shares responsibility for advancing the school's mission.

## Our Vision

*We are a community of learners who:*

**Believe** in our students

**Understand** the needs of our students

**Show good character**

**Yearn** for knowledge

**Build** partnerships

**Excel** in teaching and learning

**Establish** a secure learning environment

**Strive** for success!

## District Initiatives

- This year the JCL leadership team added Mrs. Tisdale as assistant principal and Mrs. Shaluta as ELA master teacher.
- All schools in Florence District 3 became accredited with Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
- JCL was designated a School of Choice resulting in the enrollment of 75 additional students.



## A REVIEW of OUR YEAR

### Curriculum

- PASS, MAP, Dominic Reading, and math benchmark test data were analyzed to identify student strengths and to target weaknesses in reading and math,
- Goal setting conferences were held with students to establish performance goals for the next testing session.
- Students participated in Classworks Lab, our computer assisted learning program, once a week.
- Math instruction was enhanced with student subscriptions to First in Math – a web-based math program to practice and refine student understanding of basic math skills.

- TAG instruction was provided at Main St. Elementary School due to the limited space and JCL.
- Twelve Power Words were studied as a means to increase student understanding of these words when seen on various tests.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade students received weekly classes in character education and media/research skills.

### School Environment

- Wireless internet was installed throughout all of the school.
- Students meeting one or two of their MAP goals were recognized for their achievement.
- Two additional teachers and two additional teacher assistants were hired to accommodate student needs.
- The school was a recipient of the SC Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Grant that allowed students to sample typical and unusual fruits and vegetables on a daily basis.

### Home School Connections

- Our character education program included a monthly character trait focus presented in the newsletter.
- Communication to parents included newsletters in English and Spanish, school website, marquee, and PowerPoint announcements on DVD, and automated phone calls.
- Parents participated in various activities including Grandparents Day Breakfast, Dads are Our Hearts Day, Moms Count Too Day, and many other exciting events!