

Message from the Principal

At Alexander Elementary we are committed to our mission of providing a safe, respectful environment where school and home promote high achievement for all learners.

The top priority at Alexander is academic achievement. Our goal is to move each student to proficient and advanced levels of learning. Students and staff set individual goals and monitor student progress through data notebooks and classroom data walls.

To aid in improving students' academic achievement within the school year, teachers used information provided from common assessments. Item analyses were used to determine skills which students had mastered.

Students received small group instruction for re-teaching and acceleration. This year we implemented the Fountas and Pennell guided reading program which is designed to help individual students learn how to process a variety of increasingly challenging texts with understanding and fluency. We also continued with RTI (Response to Intervention) reading program for students reading below grade level.

The Alexander Eagle Choral Ensemble participated in the 2011 Poinsette Christmas Parade. Students competed in the district's Battle of the Books. In addition, this year the Jr. BETA Club went to Myrtle Beach for the Jr. BETA Convention.

Our students are supported by parents and community volunteers who can be found tutoring and serving as adult mentors. The Men who Read program was implemented this year. Each month male role models from the community read to male students in grades 2-5.

Alexander has strong student recognition programs including Terrific Kids, Perfect Attendance/, and Principal's Accelerated Reader winners and Student of the Year.

Sincerely,

Leda Young, Principal

Melvin McDaniel, SIC Chair

Our Mission Statement

The mission of Alexander Elementary School is to provide a safe, respectful, environment where home and school promote high academic achievement for all students.

Our Beliefs

We believe...

We believe curriculum should be connected to real world experience in a developmentally appropriate manner so that children see a purpose in what they are learning.

We believe children need many role models from both technical and professional fields.

We believe that instruction should address the needs of all students, based on a set of state standards for measuring and improving the quality of schoolwork.

We believe every student should be engaged in learning through experience-based instruction that matches the learning style of the students, utilizing available technologies.

We believe assessment should be specific, measurable, attainable, realistic, and time-bound; it should give students the opportunity to show what they have learned in a variety of situations.

We believe our school should provide a safe, inviting, technology-rich environment for learning in which the active involvement of parents is welcome and essential to their children's success.

We believe our school should be a community of involved learners in a structured environment that stresses high expectations tempered by love.

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Annual Report to the Community

2011-2012



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Principal

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Administrative Assistant

SCHOOL INFORMATION

GRADES: K4-5TH ENROLLMENT: 380

SCHOOL LOCATION:
1601 WEST BRAMLETT RD.
GREENVILLE, SC 29611

SCHOOL COLORS: BLUE/GOLD

SCHOOL MASCOT: EAGLES

SCHOOL MOTTO:
LEARNING TODAY WITH TOMORROW
IN MIND

PTA PRESIDENT: TABITHA NORWOOD

SIC CHAIR: MELVIN MCDANIEL

Outstanding Features/Programs

- Safe Schools
- National Junior BETA Club
- Awards Programs
- Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Grant
- Parent Teacher Association
- Honor Roll (A and B Students)
- School Television Network and Studio
- Computer and Science Labs for all students
- Extended Day Tutorial Program
- School Improvement Council
- Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS)
- Battle of the Books
- Men Who Read
- Fall/Spring Book Fair
- Annual Health Fair



Jr. BETA Club students and chaperons on their trip to the Jr. BETA Club Convention.

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Annual Report Card Information

Absolute Rating: Below Average

Growth Rating: Below Average

AYP Met: No

Report Card Rating: D



3rd Grade hosted a Veteran's Day Celebration and honored two Marines.

English Language Arts: % of All Students

Not Met	Met	Exemplary
37.8%	34.8%	27.4%

Math: % of All Students

Not Met	Met	Exemplary
39.3%	40.7%	20.0%

Program Highlights

- Reduced Class Size
- Response To Intervention (RTI) Reading Intervention Programs
- Data consistently analyzed to identify areas of needed improvement and recognized areas of strength
- Two Computer Labs
- Fountas and Pinnell Reading Program
- Promethean Board and Active Expressions in every classroom
- Upstate Writing Program Seed Grant Recipient
- Compass Odyssey Software
- Certified Computer Lab Instructor



Men Who Read Program