

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 which skills students had mastered. Students received small group instruction for re-teaching and acceleration. We used 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 and math programs for students scoring below grade level in reading and math.

Our school won 1st place in the Districtwide Science Fair. Alexander earned the most money in the upstate region from Zaxby's Spirit Night events. We received over \$100,000 worth of supplies from Donors Choose and was recognized by the CEO of the organization.

Our students are supported by parents and community volunteers who can be found tutoring and serving as adult mentors. We've had over 115 volunteers and mentors on a regular basis, throughout the school year. These fine folks are also planning our annual spring carnival in May.

Alexander has strong student recognition programs including Terrific Kids, Perfect Attendance, A/B Honor Roll and Principal's Honor Roll.

Sincerely,

Dr. Sonya Campbell, Principal
Mr. Joe Long, SIC Chair

Alexander Elementary School

Annual Report to the Community

2016—2017



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Principal**

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SCHOOL INFORMATION

GRADES: K4-5TH ENROLLMENT: 455

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: MR. TONY NORWOOD

SIC CHAIR: MR. JOE LONG

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 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.



Outstanding Features/Programs

- Challenge Program
- Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Grant
- Good Morning Alexander News Show
- Best Marching Unit—Greenville Poinsettia Parade 2011
- School Improvement Council
- Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) State Ribbon Award—2011
- Battle of the Books
- Men Who Read
- Public Education Partners Book Fair
- Annual Health Fair
- Terrific Kids
- Lunch and Learn Programs
- Districtwide Science Fair—1st Place
- Donors Choose
- Annual Dr. Seuss Night
- Adopted by Greeks of Greenville @ Furman University
- Good News Club
- Community Café
- Boy Scouts of America



Alexander Elementary School 2016

Palmetto Assessment of State

Standards (PASS)

Science: % of All Students

<u>Not Met</u>	<u>Met</u>	<u>Exemplary</u>
49.5%	42.2%	8.3%

Social Studies: % of All Students

<u>Not Met</u>	<u>Met</u>	<u>Exemplary</u>
33%	45%	22%

SC Ready

English Language Arts: % of All Students

<u>Not Ready</u>	<u>Exceeding and Ready</u>
72%	28%

Math: % of All Students

<u>Not Met</u>	<u>Exemplary and Ready</u>
53%	47%



Program Highlights

- Reduced Class Size
- Response To Intervention (RTI) Reading & Math Intervention Programs
- Fountas & Pinnell Reading Program
- Promethean Board and Active Expressions in every classroom
- Tutoring Intense Program (Afterschool—2 days/week)
- Compass Kids Club (Before school—4 days/week)
- Virtual Science Lab
- Outside Learning Garden
- Parent Resource Facility
- Bi-Lingual Parent Involvement Coordinator

