



BETHEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A School of Quality

Annual Report to the Parents

2013-2014

Our Mission

The mission of Bethel Elementary is to engage children in a nurturing learning environment and to provide a quality education.

Bethel Profile

Principal	Brenda Byrd
Assistant Principal	Susan Skelton
Administrative Assistant	Julie Cooke
Grades	K5 – 5 th grade
Enrollment	930
Teachers	56
School Colors	Red and White
Mascot	Cardinal
Motto	<i>Dream, Believe, Achieve!</i>

Achievements and Awards

2013-2014	South Carolina Elementary Principal of the Year Award – Brenda Byrd
2013-2014	South Carolina Art Educator of the Year Award – Cynthia Hudson
2012-2013	Greenville County Administrator of the Year Award – Brenda Byrd
2012-2013	Energy Star Rated Facility
2012-2013	Greenville County Elementary Healthy School of the Year Award
2012-2013	American Heart Association's Fit-Friendly Worksite Gold Achievement
2010-2013	Palmetto Gold Award
2010-2013	South Carolina Red Carpet Award
2010-2013	Safe Kids Award
2010-2011	Palmetto's Finest Award
2010-2011	Greenville County Assistant Administrator of the Year Award – Susan Skelton
2010-2012	100% PTA Membership

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Outstanding Features of Bethel

- After School Enrichment Programs
- Auditioned Chorus (4th, 5th)
- Bethel Carnival and Silent Auction
- Cardinal News TV Broadcast
- Healthy School Initiative
- CATCH (Coordinated Approach to Child Health)
- Gifted & Talented Program
- Character Education Program
- Clubs (all 3rd-5th grade students)
- Computer Aided Instruction, *CompassLearning*
- Continuous Quality Improvement
- Grade Level Fieldtrips
 - 3rd – Columbia, SC
 - 4th – Charleston
 - 5th – Washington, DC
- Junior Achievement
- Junior Beta Club
- Lunch & Learn Parenting Programs
- Meet the Teacher Night
- Multiage Classes
 - Primary – 1st- 2nd
 - Intermediate – 3rd- 4th
- Nationally Board Certified Teachers
- Spring Picnic
- Wee Deliver Mail System
- Weekly E-Newsletter Update



This workplace has been recognized by the American Heart Association for meeting criteria for employee wellness.

SIC Members 2013-2014

Elected Members

Jennifer Foster, Teacher
 Kristi Nelson, Parent
 Rick Reames, Parent
 Jodi Ware, Parent
 Lindsay Wilkins, Parent
 Carol Shinpoch, Teacher

Appointed Members

Tyron Cotton, Community Member
 Michele Frazier, Community Member (Chair)
 Lillie Lewis, Community Member

Ex-Officio Members

Brenda Byrd, Principal
 Susan Skelton, Assistant Principal
 Julie Cooke, Administrative Assistant
 Kim Brice, Instructional Coach
 Barbara Douglas, Guidance Counselor
 Stephanie Yearwood, PTA Representative



Purpose

This report is issued by the Bethel Elementary School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

2013 Performance Data

Report Card Ratings

ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING
Excellent	Excellent

Palmetto Gold Award for General Performance
ESEA/Federal Accountability Rating System 97.3 A



2013 PASS Comparison

	Writing								
	3 rd Grade			4 th Grade			5 th Grade		
	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC
Not Met	9.4	24.1	29.7	20.8	21.5	25.6	9.7	20.5	25.5
Met	32.6	31.1	33.3	40	40.4	42.7	41.9	39.7	40.8
Exemplary	58	44.8	37	39.2	38.1	31.6	48.4	39.8	33.7

	ELA								
	3 rd Grade			4 th Grade			5 th Grade		
	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC
Not Met	1.5	13.9	17.1	18.4	16.7	21	7	14.6	18
Met	16.8	21.9	25.3	29.6	37.4	38.2	38	41.6	43.6
Exemplary	81.8	64.1	57.5	52	45.9	40.7	55.1	43.8	38.3

	Math								
	3 rd Grade			4 th Grade			5 th Grade		
	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC
Not Met	10.9	24.6	30.2	12.7	16.5	20.2	11.4	18.9	23.7
Met	20.4	25.9	27.7	31	38.2	39.8	22.8	35.9	39.2
Exemplary	68.6	49.6	42	56.3	45.3	40	65.8	45.2	37

	Science								
	3 rd Grade			4 th Grade			5 th Grade		
	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC
Not Met	14.7	27.2	32.2	12.7	21.1	26.9	10	23	27
Met	42.6	44.8	44.7	54	55	53.7	52.5	56.9	55.9
Exemplary	42.6	28	23.1	33.3	23.8	19.5	37.5	20.1	17.1

	Social Studies								
	3 rd Grade			4 th Grade			5 th Grade		
	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC	Bethel	GVL	SC
Not Met	2.9	16.5	20.2	11.9	14.7	18.2	12.8	21.7	28.3
Met	42	41.7	44.8	41.3	43.1	45.6	33.3	34.7	36.4
Exemplary	55.1	41.8	34.9	46.8	42.2	36.2	53.8	43.7	35.3

*PASS scores shown in percentages.