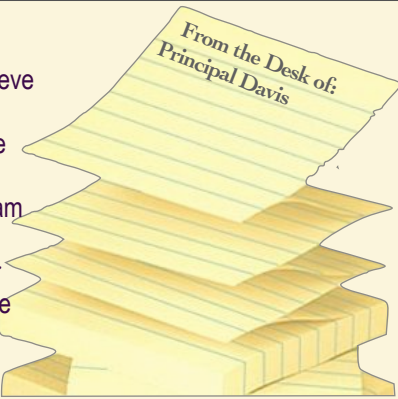


It is hard to believe that we are approaching the end of another school year! I am amazed at how quickly the year passes when we are having fun educating your children.



Our school is a great place for children to learn and grow! Your support and participation in our school activities and events are a reflection of our continued success as we "Build a Community of Excellence One Student at a Time"!

As we end this school year and look forward to the next, we will continue to invest in the future of your children by providing them with a high quality, rigorous education.

**Charles T. Davis, Jr.**

## AWARDS

- National Blue Ribbon Winner
- South Carolina Blue Ribbon Award
- Palmetto's Finest Winner
- Palmetto Gold & Silver Award Winner
- Red Carpet Award
- National PTA School of Excellence for Parent Involvement
- Riley School Improvement Award Finalist



## OUR MISSION

The mission of Brushy Creek Elementary is to provide educational opportunities for children to acquire the skills necessary to empower them to become confident, life-long learners in an ever-changing global, technological society.

# BRUSHY CREEK

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*"Building a Community of Excellence  
One Student at a Time!"*



## Report to the Community

2016-2017

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## A History of Excellence

Brushy Creek Elementary School has a long history of excellence in education, care, and concern for students and a strong involvement within the community. The first Brushy Creek School building was built in 1916. Then, as today, the families of students at Brushy Creek were intent on securing the best education possible for their children. By working closely with the school's administration, Greenville County district officials, Parent/Teacher Association (PTA), and community volunteers, Brushy Creek has been successful in maintaining the standard of excellence of the past, while working to secure that standard for future generations to come.

## Strategic Plan

The annual report to the community provides information to our community regarding Brushy Creek's progress toward its goals and objectives. Our school goals are aligned with the Education Plan of the School District of Greenville County.

**Goal #1:** Raise the academic challenge and performance of each student.

### **Specific objectives:**

- Increase the percentage of all students in grades 3-5 meeting standard in Math & ELA on SCReady.

**Goal #2:** Ensure quality personnel in all positions.

**Goal #3:** Provide a school environment supportive of learning.

**Goal #4:** Effectively manage and further develop necessary financial resources.

**Goal #5:** Improve public understanding and support of public schools.

## A Record of Results

The SCReady test measured student performance on the South Carolina academic standards. Student score percentages are based on three levels: Exceeding, Meets, and Does Not Meet. Below are 2015-2016 test results:

### GRADE 3 SCORES

	EXCEEDING	MEETS	NOT MET
ELA	17.0%	48.0%	8.0%
MATH	31.0%	40.0%	12.0%

### GRADE 4 SCORES

	EXCEEDING	READY	NOT MET
ELA	24.0%	44.0%	11.0%
MATH	40.0%	27.0%	9.0%

### GRADE 5 SCORES

	EXCEEDING	READY	NOT MET
ELA	25.0%	40.0%	9.0%
MATH	43.0%	30.0%	7.0%

## A Focus for the Future

We anticipate that our students will continue to make gains in student achievement. To achieve this goal, the school's academic focus, this year, has included the following:

- Using common formative assessments to make instructional decisions
- Continue to fine-tune the components of the Fountas & Pinnell model for Balanced Literacy with fidelity and pervasiveness
- To continuously improve student engagement in personalization of learning by providing equitable access to technology for students in grades K-5
- Providing individualized assistance based on Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)

## Educational Enrichments

During the past year, Brushy Creek has been able to educate our students, not only through academics, but through the following special programs:

- WOOF Club
- Brushy Creek News Network
- Jr. Beta Club
- R.T.I. Reading Program
- Student Honor Roll
- Honors Chorus
- Science Fun Day
- Book Buddies
- Student Council
- Battle of the Books
- Science Fair
- 7 Habits of Happy Kids
- Terrific Kids Program
- Personalized Learning 3rd-5th
- STEAM Lab
- Authors' Cafe
- SuccessMaker
- Discovery Education
- Reflex Math

## Community Connection

The participation and contribution of our community representatives and parents have been of inestimable value to our continued success.

**2016-17 SIC Chair:** Dr. Onarae Rice  
**2016-17 PTA President:** Dr. Carolyn Brightharp

### **SIC Members:**

Vernon Rutland	Rick Arboscello
Tieraney Rice	Jim Ridgill
Dr. Tom Atkinson	Gaie Perez
Barry Horst	Susan Smith
Chris Larsen	Lisa Hunnicutt
Betsy Shouse	Aly Malone
Charles T. Davis, Jr.	Sabina Weaver
Michael Locke	Sasha Robinson
Suzie Collins	Jen Davis

A special thank-you to all of the PTA members for their tireless work with volunteer service hours of over 15,000 on the following programs:

- American Education Week
- Technology Night
- Career Day
- Holiday Boutique
- Carnival
- New Student Orientation
- Field Day
- Boostertthon
- Teacher Appreciation
- Mentors & Tutors
- Teacher Lunch Breaks
- Room Parents
- School Store