

**Bryson Elementary School**  
*Building for Tomorrow Today*



**Report to the Community**  
**2016-2017 Summary Report**  
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**OUR VISION**

The vision of Bryson Elementary School is for our students to become independent, moral, and responsible. We envision a safe, structured, and stimulating environment in which students can utilize and optimize their own unique capabilities. We aspire to develop well-rounded students to be productive citizens in an ever-changing society.

**OUR MISSION**

The mission of Bryson Elementary School is to provide diverse educational experiences that encourage responsible, productive, and creative individuals to become independent lifelong learners.

**Look inside** for details about our Goals, Accomplishments, Activities, and SC READY Results.



**SCHOOL PROFILE**

# of Students 936

Teachers with Advanced Degrees: 63%

Student /Teacher Ratio: 23.3 to 1



*Where enlightening strikes*

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District Main Phone Number: 355-3600

**SC Department of Education:**

<http://ed.sc.gov/>

**Bryson Elementary School**  
**SC READY Results 2016**

**3rd Grade SC READY**

ELA

	Does Not Meet	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds
2016	17.8%	36.9%	34.4%	10.8%

Mathematics

	Does Not Meet	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds
2016	15.8%	29.7%	36.7%	17.7%

**4th Grade SC READY**

ELA

	Does Not Meet	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds
2016	16.3%	28.9%	34.8%	20.0%

Mathematics

	Does Not Meet	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds
2016	17.0%	28.9%	30.4%	23.7%

**5th Grade SC READY**

ELA

	Does Not Meet	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds
2016	16.3%	36.3%	31.9%	15.6%

Mathematics

	Does Not Meet	Approaches	Meets	Exceeds
2016	12.5%	33.1%	28.7%	25.7%

## **Bryson Elementary Goals for 2016-2017**

### **Goal #1:**

Raise the academic challenge and performance of each student. Increase the percentage of students scoring Meets on SC READY by 3% each year in ELA and Mathematics.

### **Goal#2:**

Provide core content teachers with professional development activities so that our ELA and Mathematics goals for student achievement will be reached by 2018.

### **Goal #3:**

Provide a school environment supportive of learning. Improve public understanding and support of our school.

### **Activities/Accomplishments/Features/Programs**

Academic Awards Celebrations  
After School Day Care Program  
A.R.M.E.S (Arts Reaching Middle & Elementary Schools)  
Art Club  
Author's Tea  
Book Fair  
Boosterthon  
Bring Mom & Dad to Lunch Day  
Computers in each classroom  
Challenge Program (Gifted and Talented)  
Chorus  
Community Readers Day  
Community Service Projects  
Compass Learning  
Dental Hygiene Program  
Hearing and Vision Screenings  
Three Computer Labs  
Early Intervention Reading for 5K – 2nd grade  
Excellent Volunteer Program  
Excellent Business and Community Support  
Field Day

Fountain Inn Christmas Parade  
Fountas and Pinnell Balanced Literacy  
Good News Club  
Grade Level Awards Day  
Grade Level Productions  
Poppin Math Facts Contest  
School Counseling Services  
Internet Access in all rooms  
Invention Convention  
Live On Five-morning news show  
Promethean Boards  
100 Bears Reading Club K-1st  
Mentoring and Tutoring  
Mobil Laptop Labs  
Recorder Club  
Steel Drum Club  
Red Ribbon Week  
Related Arts Festival  
Safety Patrol  
Santa Shop  
Bear Tracks, school newsletter  
Special Education: Resource, Speech, LD & EMD  
Bear Fair-Spring Carnival  
Student Council  
Terrific Kids  
Veteran's Day Program  
3<sup>rd</sup> grade trip to Columbia  
4<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Atlanta  
5<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Washington, DC

### **Achievements / Awards**

Alliance for Quality Education Grants  
American Alliance for Health, PE, Recreation and Dance Joint Projects Grant  
Art Council Grant  
Artist in Residence  
Arts Integration Grant  
CATCH School (Coordinated Approach to Child Health)  
Discovery in Education Grant  
Donors Choose Grants  
Metropolitan Arts Council Grant  
National Board Certified Teachers  
Palmetto Gold Award Program Winner  
Palmetto Silver Award Program Winner  
South Carolina Red Carpet Winner – 2004-Present  
Safe Kids School Awards 2009-Present  
Safe Routes to School Plan

## **BRYSON ELEMENTARY: WHERE ARE WE GOING FROM HERE**

The Bryson Elementary staff, PTA and SIC (School Improvement Council), as well as parent and community volunteers have contributed to the school, meeting many goals as it has expanded its programs over the last few years. Volunteers contribute their time in the classroom, in before-school programs, and at special events.

Raising student academic achievement is a top priority. We identify students needing extra assistance in reading in the early grades and provide a small group tutorial program, called RTI. We also provide a before-school computer based tutorial Compass Kids.

Our school will continue to identify educational needs and work continually toward improving the educational opportunities offered. Through the dedication and high expectations of the administration, faculty, staff, and families, the Bryson Elementary School community can expect continued academic and instructional growth of students. Members of the community are invited to take an active role in our educational program.

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