

"WHERE EVERY STUDENT IS A STAR!" SUMMIT DRIVE

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ELEMENTARY







Mrs. Kelly Hellams, Principal Hope Taylor, SIC Chairperson

2014—2015 Annual Summary Report

All About Us

The spirit of Summit Drive is characterized by its belief that "every student is a star". The teachers are highly motivated professionals with strong academic backgrounds. 75 percent of the faculty have earned master's degrees and/or National Board certification. By combining traditional and modern methods of teaching, the Summit Drive teaching team offers a well-rounded educational environment for all students. A wide variety of instructional techniques are used to make learning a meaningful and enjoyable experience.

"It takes many stars to light the sky." - *Anonymous*

Summit Drive Accomplishments

- Palmetto Gold Award
- Lowe's \$5000 Toolkit for Education Grant
- 2011-12 District Teacher of the Year & State Teacher of the Year Finalist – Taunja Pool
- Eleven National Board Certified Teachers
- Exemplary Writing School
- Safety Award
- Fully accredited by AdvancED Accreditation Commission
- Golden Apple Teacher Award winners

- Extracurricular opportunities include:
 Student Council
 - Grade Level Music Performances Chorus
 - Annual Walk to School Days
 - Running/Walking Club
 - Accelerated Reader Program
 - Junior Lego League
 - First in Math Program

STAR Moments

- WATCH D.O.G.S. Program
- Coordinated Approach to Children's Health (CATCH Program)
- Summit Drive featured on ETV as model
 CATCH school
- Active PTA/SIC
- Annual Spring Carnival
- Extended Day Program
- ROOTS Organic Garden

- STAR Mail System operated by students
- Terrific Kids Program
- Upstate Therapy Dogs
- Career Day
- Culinary Creations Healthy Lunch Program
- Science Lab
- Good News Club
- Recycling Program



Report of Principal and SIC Chairman

We begin each day by stating our motto, "Show respect, Take responsibility, Always follow directions, Ready to learn," as a reminder that we are committed to providing a safe, positive and challenging learning environment in which children can reach their highest potential. Our dedicated staff, supportive parents, active Parent Teacher Association, School Improvement Council and business partners work closely together to make learning enjoyable for each of our students. We do not take it for granted and want to reiterate to our parents our thanks and appreciation for entrusting your most precious possessions to us as we continue to nurture and further develop them for the future.

For the past four years, Summit Drive Elementary achieved an absolute rating of Excellent on our school report card. Furthermore, our growth rating improved from Good to Excellent in 2014. Although our students perform well, our challenge is to find ways to enhance the educational experience of all our students by challenging high-performing learners while supporting our struggling learners. We work to do this through enhanced instruction and direct teaching.

At Summit Drive Elementary, we look forward to the 2015-2016 school year with an anticipation of even greater things to come!

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PASS Test Data

Percent of students who met the standards:			
	Math 2014	English Language Arts	
		2014	
Grade 3	83.1%	83.1%	
Grade 4	69.4%	70.8%	
Grade 5	92.4%	93.9%	

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD			
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	
2014	Excellent	Excellent	
2013	Excellent	Good	
2012	Excellent	Excellent	
2011	Excellent	Good	
2010	Good	Average	