

## Mission

The mission of Fairfax Elementary is to prepare students to become competent, responsible individuals by providing a safe environment where cultural differences are recognized, respected, and celebrated; and to provide realistic educational experiences.

### Beliefs

1. Every individual is unique and possesses different talents.
2. Every individual can learn.
3. Every individual must be given the opportunity to reach his/her full potential through a challenging and innovative curriculum.
4. Learning is the shared responsibility of the individual, school, family, and community.
5. Every individual must understand and be responsible for his/her choices and actions.
6. Every individual must be treated with respect.
7. Every individual must have a nurturing and safe environment in which to work and learn.
8. Learning is a life-long process.

## Progress and Highlights

- 95% of our teachers earned Apple Teacher certification.
- Principal Sheila Leath was awarded a \$1,000 grant from Tri-County Community Foundation.
- Literacy Coach, Peggy O'Banner, was awarded a \$1,000 grant from Savannah River Site.
- Five students had artwork or essays selected as winners in the Martin Luther King Unity Breakfast.
- An Apple ConnectED Grant was awarded to the school which affords every student an ipad and every teacher a Macbook Pro, mini ipad and an Apple TV.
- Recipient of a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant from the South Carolina State Dept of Education.



## Fairfax Elementary School

### Annual School Improvement Council “Report to the Parents” 2016-17



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*“Working Together Works!”*

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The School Improvement Council of Fairfax Elementary School is pleased to present this Annual School Report. This report provides an overview of Fairfax's progress, accomplishments and commitment in meeting our goals. We are delighted with the progress of our students and believe our successes are the result of the collaboration between home, school and community.

### SIC Commitments

- To provide input to the Principal on the Title I and School Renewal Plans
- To assist with the generation of ideas to promote greater parental involvement.

### School Improvement

#### Council Members

Peggy Bing O'Banner  
Marilyn Davis  
Dana Elmore  
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Cheryl Graham  
Sheila Leath  
Terry Grant  
Farrah Maner  
Lawanda Patterson  
Debra Thomas

### Curriculum, Student Enrichment and Parent Partnership

- Afterschool Program
- Title I
- SIC
- PTO
- Allendale County Recreation Partnership

### Reading Commitments

- Read Across America Day
- Reading A-Z
- Accelerated Reader
- Pizza Hut Reading Partnership
- Daily Five Reading Structure
- Dominic Reading Assessment
- Family Reading Night

### Math/Science Commitments

- Annual Science Fair
- FOSS Science Kits
- Family Math Night

### Health and Safety Commitments

- American Diabetes Association
- Relay for Life
- Leukemia Society
- Alzheimer's Association
- Annual Field Day
- PBIS



### Parent Communication Commitments

- Muffins and Moms
- Donuts for Dads
- Goodies for Grandparents
- School Website
- School Facebook Page
- School Twitter Page
- Weekly Class Newsletter
- Tuesday Folder
- Parent Conference Days
- Second Grade Transition Night

### Social Studies Commitments

- Black History Program
- FES Mock Election

