

VES Fast Facts

Grades: PreK-3 Enrollment: 392

Teacher of the Year:

Jessica Runkle

Support Person of the Year

Cindy Bowers

5 National Board Certified Teachers

TAP School Value-Added Score

"5"- Exemplary

★★★

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT & GROWTH

- * SC TAP Program—teacher quality and student achievement
- * TAP Leadership Team—7 members
- * Math and Science Master teachers
- * National Institute of Excellence in Teaching (NIET)
- * Reading Coach
- * Read 2 Succeed Professional Development

Community Outreach

- ⇒ Jump Rope for Heart (AHA)
- ⇒ Relay for Life (ACS)
- ⇒ Veterans' Day Luncheon
- ⇒ Retired Teachers' Luncheon
- ⇒ Volunteer Breakfast
- ⇒ Arbor Day Program
- ⇒ Read Across America (Dr. Seuss)
- ⇒ Ronald McDonald (dental care)
- ⇒ Winter Fest

Mission Statement

The mission of Varnville Elementary School is to develop responsible, literate, life-long learners by providing meaningful educational opportunities in a safe and nurturing environment.

Awards and Recognitions

- * TAP Value Added—"5" Exemplary
- * Three times named Red Carpet School by the SCDE
- * PBIS "Ribbon" School
- * Five National Board Certified Teachers (Michelle Hiers, Robin Taylor, Elaine Rooker, Kelly Shipes, Dawn Smith)
- * Bright Ideas grants totaling \$2,145 (3 grants received)
Kelly Shipes, Robin Taylor, Dawn Smith
- * PEARLS Betti Crosby Award -\$1,500
Kristin Rentz

Third Grade Data—2015-2016

SC READY

Math—63.1%

Approaches, Meets or Exceeds

ELA—67.9%

Approaches, Meets or Exceeds

School MAP GOAL

58% of students made 1 or more years growth from Fall to Spring (gain of 13% points from 2014-2015)



Curriculum

- * Journeys—balanced literacy
- * Breakthrough to Literacy (PK)
- * SC College and Career Ready Standards
- * *Reading Eggs* computer Program (K-2)
- * *Study Island* program (3)
- * Dominie and MAP data used to monitor and guide instruction
- * Fall/Winter/Spring K-3rd grade MAP testing
- * "Seek N Grow" - summer program offers academic & extra-curricular activities
- * Reading Recovery program
- * Reading & Math Intervention
- * Science Closet/Inquiry Kits
- * Engineering Kits
- * SC Ready Review
- * Math manipulatives used daily
- * Type To Learn (keyboarding skills)

School Environment

- * Emergency procedures expanded and updated. Safety drills continue to be a priority.
- * Positive Behavior Interventions and Support school-wide behavior plan to focus on positive behavior and added Tier II student interventions
- * Technology Integration



Special Programs

School Wide Arts Opportunities

Music and Drama

"Hansel and Gretel"

Baillie Players

Art

Garden Club Poster Contest

Soil Conservation Poster Contest

Watermelon Festival
Contest

HC Guardian "Cook A
Turkey"

SCDNR Wildlife Poster Contest



- ◆ CDEPP site hosting 4 all day Pre-Kindergarten classes
- ◆ Student of the Week Program
- ◆ Birthday Club
- ◆ Presidential Academic Fitness Program
- ◆ Principal's List/Honor Roll Awards
- ◆ Perfect Attendance Award
- ◆ "Book It" Club
- ◆ PBIS Cub Club - good behavior
- ◆ Energy Savings Program
- ◆ Box Tops for Education
- ◆ Field day
- ◆ Red Ribbon Week
- ◆ USC Lady Gamecocks Reading Program
- ◆ School Citizens
- ◆ Reading Counts reading comprehension program

PTO OFFICERS

Danielle Youmans, Pres.

Stephanie Gibson, Vice-Pres.



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jackie Anderson (teacher)

Fallon Crapse (parent)

Christy Ferguson (community)

Kimberly Hadwin (parent)

Alexis Harley (parent)

Tommy Kelly (community pastor)

Donna Kinard (principal)

Annette Mole (support staff)

Kyshonna Moore (parent)

Kakela Robinson (parent)

Jessica Runkle (TOY)

Robin Taylor (Reading Coach)

Danielle Youmans (PTO)

Varnville

Elementary

Red Carpet School

PBIS Ribbon School

TAP Value-Added School

Score = "5" -Exemplary

Title One Reward School

Conscious Discipline



2016-2017

Report to the People

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