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## **Green Sea Floyds Elementary**

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## **School Summary Report**



### **School Mission**

*To provide a rigorous, results-driven curriculum that ensures the academic, social, emotional, and physical development of all students, preparing them to reach their full potential as responsible and productive members of society.*

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Dear Parents,

The School Improvement Council for Green Sea Floyds Elementary School has prepared this school summary report for you and the members of our community who are interested in our school. The report reviews the progress made on our strategic plan for increasing student learning, test scores, and the goals to be accomplished during the school year.

Green Sea Floyds Elementary is proud of its accomplishments. Our school continues to be accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and the South Carolina Department of Education.

If you have any questions about the information in this report or want a copy of the school's strategic plan, please call 392-1078.

Melissa G. Gause

# Our PASS Scores

PASS is the state’s accountability measurement of student achievement for grades 3-8. State and federal laws require end-of-the-year accountability tests for grades 3-8 that are based on state academic standards. PASS results include scores in five subject areas: writing, reading and research, mathematics, science, and social studies.

The General Assembly established three scoring levels:

- Exemplary – The student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
- Met – The student met the grade level standard.
- Not Met – The student did not meet grade level standard.

Green Sea Floyds Elementary scores by grade level on 2013 PASS tests are listed below:

Writing					
Grade	Number Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met and Above
3	104	27.2	38	34.8	72.8
4	88	24.1	45.8	30.1	75.9
5	107	19.6	44.1	36.3	80.4
English/Language Arts					
Grade	Number Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met and Above
3	104	13	27.2	59.8	87
4	88	16.9	39.8	43.4	83.1
5	108	12.7	37.3	50	87.3
Mathematics					
Grade	Number Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met and Above
3	104	23.9	28.3	47.8	76.1
4	88	13.3	31.3	55.4	86.7
5	108	20.6	29.4	50	79.4
Science					
Grade	Number Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met and Above
3	54	32.6	39.1	28.3	67.4
4	88	20.5	49.4	30.1	79.5
5	55	17.3	50	32.7	82.7
Social Studies					
Grade	Number Tested	% Not Met	% Met	% Exemplary	% Met and Above
3	50	19.6	26.1	54.3	80.4
4	88	7.2	32.5	60.2	92.8
5	53	26	42	32	74

# Celebrate With Us!

Green Sea Floyds Elementary is very excited about sharing some of our achievements and accomplishments. Our goal is to become a premier school where ALL students achieve academic excellence. Our highly qualified teachers have received extensive staff development in the areas of reading, mathematics, and technology. Our students are to be commended for doing their personal best each day.

Green Sea Floyds Elementary School earned the Palmetto Gold Award. On the State of South Carolina Annual Report Card for 2013, Green Sea Floyds Elementary received an Absolute Rating of Excellent and a Growth Rating of Excellent. In July 2012, the South Carolina Department of Education was granted a waiver from several accountability requirements of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This waiver allowed South Carolina to replace the former pass/fail system with one that utilizes more of the statewide assessments already in place and combine these subject area results with graduation rate (in high schools) to determine if each school met the target or made progress toward the target. This analysis results in a letter grade for the school rather than the pass/fail system of previous years. Green Sea Floyds Elementary received an overall grade of B. Green Sea Floyds Elementary School is identified as a Title I Focus School as data reflects a performance gap between subgroups.

At GSFE, we strive to provide differentiated instruction to meet the needs of our diverse population. Selected fifth grade students participated in an online pre-algebra course. We have continued to implement several intervention programs for students who are scoring below 25% on MAP and those who are not reaching the benchmark level on DIBELS Next. These programs are: BURST, Passport, Language!, Kaleidoscope, and Reading Mastery Signature. One of our primary goals at Green Sea Floyds Elementary is to have all students reading proficiently (on grade level) by the end of second grade and writing expressively by the end of fifth grade. By identifying the strengths and weaknesses of students, charting growth, analyzing how and why this growth occurred, and providing a research-based curriculum through rigorous instruction, students are experiencing growth to higher levels of learning.

Our work with PBIS has created a positive, safe school climate where everyone strives to be respectful, responsible, and build positive relationships. Students are recognized for making good choices and using appropriate life skills.

The partnership between home, school, and community has been vital to our success this year. Our community support, PTA fundraisers, Donors Choose (a program that funds teacher requests for instructional materials), business partners, student council projects, and Horry County Solid Waste Authority Recycling Program have really benefitted our school. The PTA fundraisers have been very successful. Donors Choose donations have provided many of our individual classroom and instructional needs. Our school family participated in Relay for Life, Talking Trash recycling, Multiple Sclerosis Bike Ride, and Pink Out Day. These events were a huge success and were achieved by teamwork. We appreciate our students, staff, parents, grandparents, churches, GSFH and community for all their hard work. Grade four and five students devoted many hours to our Looms of Love project. Students knitted hats which were donated to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. Green Sea Floyds Elementary was represented by 20 teams at the Technology Fair. We have also formed two First League Lego Robotics teams. We have been blessed to have the support of a caring community as evidenced by the success of our Backpack Buddies, Super Student Celebrations, Angel Tree, and Good News Club. The Green Sea Floyds Elementary school theme, Where It's All About Kids, exemplifies the focus and commitment of our community to provide a quality education so that all students achieve academic excellence.

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