

St. James Elementary School
9711 St. James Road, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29588
Mary Beth Heath, Principal (843)650-8220

Absolute Rating: Excellent Improvement Rating: Good

St. James Elementary school
performance rating for the 2013
school year – 92.9 - A!

Strategies for Improvement:

- ❖ We have analyzed student achievement results from last year's Palmetto Assessment of State Standards Test and identified areas of progress and areas of challenge.
- ❖ We are using Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) to assess our students' achievement levels and monitor progress throughout the year.
- ❖ We are determining reading Lexiles for our students and providing opportunities for targeted instruction to increase their Lexile growth.
- ❖ We are using student achievement results to design a professional development program for teachers that will lead to improved student achievement in reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies.
- ❖ Classes have been formed to serve students in targeted reading and math skills. We also have a Pre-algebra on-line course for our 5th grade students.
- ❖ We have provided computer assisted learning opportunities for all students.
- ❖ We involved our School Improvement Council in reviewing our performance goals in reviewing and revising our Strategic Plan in an effort to increase the rate of our students' progress on performance measures.
- ❖ Our School Improvement Council sponsored meetings on the Common Core Initiative and new assessments for parents.
- ❖ We organized classes with literacy workstations to personalize learning through small group work and technology.
- ❖ We built fluency with basic math facts through incentive programs, Math Wizards and Apprentices.
- ❖ Our Data Team continued working with the Center for Leadership and Learning to identify power strategies to address student learning needs.
- ❖ We maximized instructional time by reinforcing positive behavior through the Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support (PBIS) framework.
- ❖ SJE ROCKS! R=respectful, O=organized, C=cooperative, K=knowledgeable, S=safe
- ❖ Our Leadership Team attended state Informational meetings on the Common Core.
- ❖ Volunteer training classes were held to increase parent involvement. We now have 51 trained volunteers.
- ❖ The Canine Angels worked with our Second Grade to increase reading confidence.



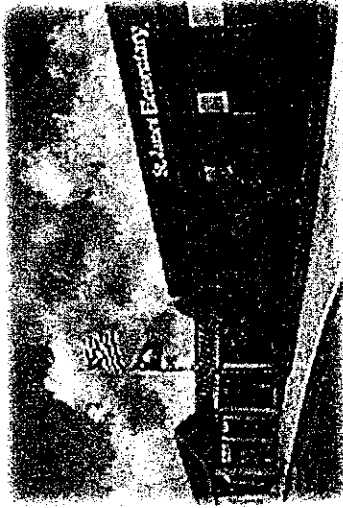
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St. James Elementary School Summary Report



St. James Elementary School's vision is to be a premier, world-class school in which every student acquires an excellent education. Our school will be a welcoming center organized around high quality teaching and learning.

- We put service to students above all else.
- We take responsibility for the success of all students.
- We care passionately about our work with children.
- We build strong positive relationships with students, staff, parents, and community.
- We model and promote civility and integrity.

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April, 2014

Dear Parents,

The School Improvement Council for St. James Elementary School has prepared this School Summary Report for you and the members of our community. The report reviews the progress made on our strategic plan for increasing student learning, the test scores, and the goals to be accomplished during this school year. We are pleased to be a vital part of our St. James Community and are very proud of the academic, character, and leadership growth of our children!

If you have any questions about the information in this report or want a copy of the school's strategic plan, please call me at school at 650-8220.

Mary Beth Heath, Principal

Celebrate With Us!

- **Palmetto Gold Award Winner**
- DAV Essay Winners
Alana Mireles, Alex Jones, Eva Hulit, Alexandra Rogers, Ainslee Herstein
- National Honor Society Members 20 students
- School Spelling Bee Winner Ashley Wells
- Spelling Bee Runner-Up Thomas Payne
- Teacher of the Year 2013 Chris Davidson
- Teacher of the Year 2014 Jenny Jones
- Duke Tip Scholars 90 students
- John Hopkins 54 students
- Support Staff of the Year 2013 Missy Sherman
- Beta Club Charter Members 40 students
- AYP ESEA Rating(student academic growth) A

PASS Results

Subject	Percent of students who Met or Exceeded Standards	Percent of students who scored <u>Exemplary</u> *
English/Language Arts	3 rd Grade 88.5% 4 th Grade 88.6% 5 th Grade 86.8%	3 rd Grade 75.5% 4 th Grade 50.9% 5 th Grade 45.5%
Mathematics	3 rd Grade 82.9% 4 th Grade 90.4% 5 th Grade 79.3%	3 rd Grade 57.1% 4 th Grade 59.6% 5 th Grade 43.8%
Science	3 rd Grade 75.0% 4 th Grade 83.0% 5 th Grade 74.0%	3 rd Grade 45.8% 4 th Grade 19.7% 5 th Grade 23.0%
Social Studies	3 rd Grade 79.7% 4 th Grade 86.8% 5 th Grade 75.9%	3 rd Grade 37.7% 4 th Grade 24.6% 5 th Grade 20.7%
Writing	5 th Grade 82.0%	5 th Grade 38.5%

*Exemplary is defined as the student demonstrating exemplary performance in the meeting of the grade level standard.

Enriching the Minds of our Students Through the Arts, Sciences, Technology and Careers

- Career Week – January 13-16, 2014
- Talent Show – February 7, 2014
- Fine Arts Gallery Walk – May 2014
- Technology Fair – April 9, 2014
- K-2 Robotics Club-Fall, 2013