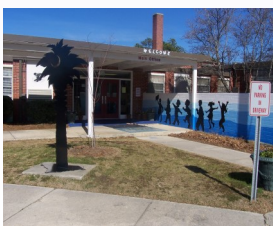


## BDK Accomplishments

- **2019-2020** -Implemented the STEAM Lab to enhance student creativity, critical thinking, collaboration and communication
- **2019-Recipient of the SC/NSPRA Award for Excellence in the social media category**
- **2019 -Winner of District Elementary Quiz Bowl Competition**
- **2019, 2018, 2017 & 2016- Recipient of the Fitness Zone Jingle Bell 5K Run/Walk Top Team Award (\$500.)**
- **2018-2019 BDK's afterschool program selected for the SC STEM Project**
- **2018, 2016, & 2015 Recipient of the Stevenson Grant- \$1000**
- **2017-2021- Recipient of \$90,000 21st CCLC Grant**
- **2017-2018-Recipient of HESS STEM Award for Afterschool**
- **2016- 2017 SC Exemplary Reading Award– Honor School**
- **2016- 2017 Recipient of the SC Education Oversight Committee \$2000 (94% of students read 6 or more books)**
- **2015- Palmetto Gold Award**

**BDK's Reading Teacher of the Year– Tirisha Harris**



**Home of the Soaring Eagles**

## Baron DeKalb's Mission Statement

The mission of Baron DeKalb Elementary School is to provide our diverse learning community with a safe place for students to become responsible citizens by partnering with families and providing a rigorous and challenging character and academic foundation.

## Vision Statement

"A small school with a big heart where everyone excels"

## We Believe.....

**\*All children are entitled to a rigorous education that addresses their needs mentally, physically, socially, and emotionally.**

**\*It is essential to recognize and accept diversity.**

**\*The family is the most important influence in the development of the child; therefore, parent involvement enhances a child's success in school.**

**\*Learning is a life-long process.**

**\*All individuals are entitled to a safe, caring, environment with mutual respect in which to live, learn, and play.**

## School Improvement Council

**Karen Fitzgerald-Jackson - Chairperson & Community Member**

**Frederica Brown - Vice Chairperson (Teacher)**

**Brandy Bragg - PTO President (Ex officio)**

**Betty Turner - Principal (Ex officio)**

**Abby Spitzer - Teacher**

**BriAnna Alexander -Teacher of the Year (Ex officio)**

**Lakia Barr - Parent**

**Jamie Carpenter - Parent**

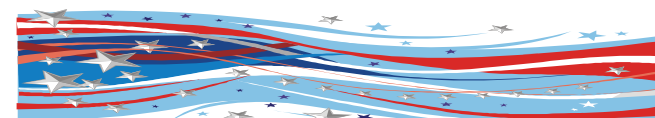
**Rebekah Clements - Parent**

**Carrie Fowler - Parent**

**Jacquelynn Payne - Parent**

**Rachel Clyburn- Community Member**

**Carol Thompson- Community Member**



# Baron DeKalb Elementary School

## 2019-2020 School Summary Report

**BDK's Teacher of the Year-Rebecca Double**



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**Betty D. Turner-Principal**  
**Karen Fitzgerald-Jackson - SIC Chairperson**  
**Brandy Bragg - PTO President**

## Highlights

### Implemented STEAM Lab

#### Afterschool program selected for STEM

Terrific Kids/ Star Students

Veterans Day Celebration

Speaking Out About Reading

“Full STEAM Ahead” Afterschool Program/ 4-H Club

PTO Fall Dance

Flag Team/ Junior Beta Club/ Student Council

Literacy Day Celebration/ Sessions for Success

Full 4K Child Development Program

Afterschool homework and tutoring

Semester Awards Day Program

Donuts for Dads/Mornings with Moms

Volunteer Appreciation Day/ Grandparent’s Day

PBIS/ Character Education

1:1 Chromebooks (5K- 5th)

Girls on the Run



### Stand Up, Speak Out, Lend A Hand

Clemson/Carolina Food Drive for Food for the Soul

Angel Tree Project

Sacks of Love/KARE

American Red Cross / United Way

Jump Rope for Heart

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## School Improvement Council Goals and Progress for 2019-2020

**Goal One: Students in grades 2-5 will score proficient (on grade level) or above in reading and math.**

- Title I funds were used to implement the STEAM Lab Students in grades 5K-5th participated in hands-on activities to enhance critical thinking, creativity, collaboration and communication skills. Based on the NWEA's 2015 Linking Study, we saw an increase in student achievement on MAP reading and math from Spring 2019 to Winter 2020. Students scoring Meets and Exceeds in reading increased from 34.8% to 40.8% and math scores increased from 47.9% to 61.2%.

**Goal Two: To provide opportunities to increase parent/family involvement and promote “Parents as Partners”.**

- Based on the most recent Report Card Parent Opinion Survey, eighty-one percent of parents are satisfied with the learning environment.
- The SIC continued to maintain a “Parents as Partners” area in the school to provide information and materials to assist parents, also parents may leave comments and suggestions in the suggestion box. Parents participated in PTO and SIC meetings, and they attended school sponsored events to increase parent/family involvement.
- We sponsored activities such as Donuts for Dads, Morning with Moms, Grandparents' Day, Veterans/Literacy Day and First Grade Candy Cottage Night to promote family and community involvement.
- Our school continued to use school and class newsletters, school website, social media, and School Messenger to keep parents informed and involved.

**Goal Three: Teachers and administrators will participate in professional development to enhance their technology skills, and 80% will demonstrate technology competence.**

(Achieved Goal) - As an eLearning district, teachers continue to participate in professional development to enhance their knowledge and skills

**Goal Four: SIC will support the school’s efforts to sponsor the Lights On Afterschool event, & other activities to sustain the afterschool program.**

- BDK was awarded the following grants to support the afterschool program-\$1000-Stevenson Foundation and \$500-Haile Gold Mine-2019-2020
- Secured churches, business and community partners for the afterschool program
- Sponsored 6th Annual Lights On Afterschool Event and other fundraiser activities

## 2020 Winter MAP

### Percentage of Students Projected to Score

#### Approaches, Meets or Exceeds

Grade	Reading	Math
2nd	71.0	87.1
3rd	100	96.1
4th	86.2	100
5th	68	81.8

Projected to: South Carolina College & Career-Ready Assessments in spring.

## District-wide Acknowledgements

### Selected for KCSD Art Gallery Exhibits:

Ella Tucker, Carsyn Morris, Gabriella Anderson, Jaden Boettinger, Mackenzie Melton, Caragyn Morris, Liliyan Truesdale, Audrey Epps, Jalynn Truesdale, and Allison Massey

### Selected for Elementary District Chorus:

Chloe May, Joseph Caudill, Will Hart, Emma Hester, Collin Gardner, Ashlyn Joe, Aubrey Logue, Kelvin Catoe, Mackenzie Melton and Aurora Turpin

**2019-2020 Teacher of the Year--** Rebecca Double  
**2019-2020 Reading Teacher of the Year--** Tirisha Harris