# **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 Afterschool 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
- 2012- Recipient of the Riley Award for SIC Excellence



STEAM Lab



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

"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

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

Abby Spitzer-Secretary/Teacher

Brandy Bragg-PTO President (Ex officio)

Rebecca Double-Teacher of the Year (Ex officio)

**Lakia Barr-Parent** 

Jaleesa Bess-Parent

Jamie Carpenter-Parent

Rebekah Clements-Teacher

Jacquelyn Payne-Parent

Jennifer Perrigo-Parent

**Rachel Clyburn-Community Member** 

Carol Thompson-Community Member



**Baron DeKalb** 

# Elementary School 2020-2021 School Summary Report

BDK's Teacher of the Year-Jaston Hawes



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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
Virtual Salute to Veterans

Speaking Out About Reading

"Full STEAM Ahead" Afterschool Program/ 4-H Club

Junior Beta Club

Virtual Parent Events & Meetings

Virtual Songs of the Season Program
Full Day 4K Child Development Program

Afterschool homework and tutoring

Awards Day Program

PBIS/ Character Education

1:1 Chromebooks (5K-5th)

Virtual Girls on the Run



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

Boy Scouts of America Food Drive

Angel Tree Project

Sacks of Love/KARE

Relay for Life

United Way

Jump Rope for Heart

Baron DeKalb Elementary School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement

# School Improvement Council Goals and Progress for 2020-2021

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

 We continued to use our Title I funds to support the STEAM Lab. Students in grades 5K-5th participated in hands-on activities to enhance critical thinking, creativity, collaboration and communication skills. Based on BDK's Winter 2021 MAP results, our students are on track to meet the State's target goals for SC Ready ELA & SC Ready Math.

# 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 virtual events.
- Although we had to make adjustments due to COVID-19, the school provided opportunities that promoted parent and family involvement, such as virtual meetings, events, surveys, and conferences.
- 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 technological 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..

- John T. Stevens Foundation- \$500 grant
- Participated in the 7th Annual Lights on Afterschool Event

# 2021 Winter MAP

# Percentage of Students Projected to Score Approaches, Meets or Exceeds

Grade	Reading	Math
2nd	68.8	75.0
3rd	75.8	78.8
4th	86.9	82.6
5th	82.6	65.4

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

State Goals: By 2035, 90% of Grades 3-5 Students at Level 2 (Approaches Expectations or higher) on SC Ready in ELA & Math

Targets: 2020- 79.5% of All Students at Level 2 in ELA & Math
2026- 82.1% of All Students at Level 2 in ELA & Math

BDK's MAP Winter 2021 Projection—81.8% of Grades 3-5 Students at Level 2 or higher on SC Ready ELA, and 75.6% projected to score at Level 2 on SC Ready Math.

### 2020-2021-Staff & Faculty Achievements:

Jaston Hawes-BDK's Teacher of the Year

Dedra Baskin-Doctorate Degree/Educational Leadership

Rebecca Double-Master's Degree/Technology Leadership

Frederica Brown-Retirement - 42 years in Education

Sophia Knight-Retirement - 36 Years in Education

Betty D. Turner-Retirement - 32 Years in Education