

School Achievements

E.B. Morse Elementary School is committed to helping all students develop the excellent skills as well as life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically challenging environment. We seek to provide such an environment through our school's vision and mission by challenging our students with rigorous academic work that is rich and relevant to instruction and through carefully crafted professional development opportunities for our teachers.

The faculty and staff at E.B. Morse Elementary believe that learning is endless. We offer a choice of Montessori education for all grade levels in addition to our Scholarly classes. Our theme, "You Can't Hide Our Shine", set the tone for a wide array of learning opportunities and explorations for our students. We received the Palmetto Silver Award in 2013-2014; and, in 2014, E.B. Morse Elementary became a Project Lead The Way School. This program engages students with the wonders of science, technology, engineering, and math. Again this year, our Jr. Beta Club earned the National Beta Club of Distinction Award. Our students engaged in many service-learning projects. We also created a Maker Station for all children to increase STEM skills through hands on activities.

Because student learning and success are the foundation for all decisions and programs at E.B. Morse Elementary, we strongly believe that students benefit from a nurturing environment that addresses their social and emotional needs while encouraging them to take an active part in individual goal setting along with a variety of school activities. The faculty and staff work diligently to provide innovative teaching strategies and standards-based instruction to ensure that our students acquire the skills needed to grow to greater academic heights. In addition, opportunities are provided for families to participate in Curriculum Nights, Family Fun Nights, tutoring sessions, 21st Century after-school programs, the

Ladies and Gentlemen's Club, and arts and music programs. Finally, E.B. Morse frequently recognizes students for their achievements through MAP growth celebrations, PBIS activities, Reader Leader and E.B. Star recognitions, and our annual Awards Day program.

At E.B. Morse Elementary School, we recognize that education is a team effort. Our dedicated PTA, SIC, volunteers, parents, community members, and business partners continuously provide time and resources in support of the school. We encourage you to continue to collaborate with us as we reach for academic excellence. Thank you for all of your support in helping us in the development of our future South Carolina graduates and world-class leaders.

EBM SIC Members

Elected Members:

Marianne Allmond – Parent
Christy Brewington – Teacher Chair
Barbara Latimore - Parent
Meg Turner - Parent
Jennifer Wilson - Teacher

Appointed Members:

Robin Hornberger – Community Member
Kamika Williams – Community Member

Ex-officio:

Tony Cunningham – Parent/PTA
Patti Owens - Assistant Principal
L. Lynn Owings - Principal

Purpose of the Report

This Report is issued by the E.B. Morse Elementary School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year.

E.B. Morse Elementary School School Improvement Council Report to the Parents 2017-2018



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Mission Statement

The mission of E.B. Morse Elementary School is to create a community of learners who are responsible and productive citizens

EBM SIC Annual Goals

- High levels of effective interpersonal, social problem-solving, conflict prevention and resolution, and emotional regulation and coping skills by all
- High levels of academic engagement and academic achievement which includes critical thinking, reasoning, and problem solving for all students
- High levels of teacher and staff confidence as well as effectiveness in instruction and classroom management
- Low levels of classroom discipline problems that lead to class removal
- High levels of parent and community support and involvement



Student Achievement

SC Ready Scores:

- **Grade 3 ELA** - 69% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations
- **Grade 4 ELA** - 45% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations
- **Grade 5 ELA** - 57% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations
- **Grade 3 Math** - 83% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations
- **Grade 4 Math** - 59% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations
- **Grade 5 Math** – 52% Exceed, Meet, Approach Expectations

SC Pass Scores:

- **Grade 4 Science** – 26.4% Met and above
- **Grade 5 Science** – 27.1% Met and above
- **Grade 4 Social Science** – 57.1% Met and above
- **Grade 5 Social Science** – 56.5% Met and above

“For more information, you may view LMS “S.C. School Report Card” for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov.”



PTA

*President, Tony Cunningham
Vice President, Haley Adair
Treasurer, Megan Simmons
Secretary, April Story
Membership, Heather Stone*

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