

Our History

E.B. Morse Elementary is a wonderful Title I school located in a small community in the Upstate of South Carolina. It was built in 1967. Currently, 77% of our students qualify for free or reduced lunch. E.B. Morse Elementary School presently serves students ranging from 4-year old kindergarten through fifth grade. Our enrollment is approximately 600 students. This consists of 49% boys and 51% girls. There are 116 of our students being served through our Special Education program and 29 students being served through our Gifted and Talented program.

Parents are currently able to choose between Montessori education, Scholar classrooms, and Creative Curriculum (4K).



School Events

- Reading Intervent
- Morning Clubs
- After-school Tutoring/21st Century Tutoring/Summer School
- Study Island, Reading Eggs, MathSeeds and Skills Navigator computer programs
- Honor Rolls, Perfect Attendance recognition
- 30 for 30
- Monthly Reader Leaders
- Monthly E.B. Stars
- Positive Behavior Intervention & Support (PBIS) & Positive Behavior Celebrations
- Beta Club and Student Council
- Ladies' and Gentlemen's Clubs
- Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)
- School Improvement Council (SIC)
- Multiple Service Projects: March of Dimes, Relay for Life, Pennies for Haiti, Angel Tree, and partnerships with several other local organizations
- Grandparents' Breakfast
- Parent Nights: Back-to-School, E.B. Showcase
- Veteran's Day Celebration
- Parade of Nations
- Black History Month community readers
- DARE
- Team Ecology
- STEM Challenges
- Book Fairs
- Grants received: Recycling Program; Garden Grant

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"Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day."

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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.

Vision Statement

The vision of E. B. Morse Elementary School is to be a system of excellence and equity in educational practices for each learner.

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.



Awards and Recognitions

- 2016 National Beta Club School of Excellence
- 2015-2016 YMCA Golden School Award

Academics

E.B. Morse Elementary School is a child-centered school with a focus on excellence. We encourage students to seek opportunities to learn. We know that engaging students at a young age builds confidence, grows interest, and puts them on course for strong accomplishments in middle school, high school, and beyond. Our instructional support programs include Reading Recovery, Reading Tutors, after school tutoring, Gifted and Talented instruction, Response to Intervention, Student Academic recognitions, and Special Education services. Students also receive weekly instruction in Art, Music, Physical Education, and Technology.



SIC & School Goals

Our SIC set goals this year to support the growth of students academically and work to have strong parent involvement. These goals support the goals in our 5-year Strategic Plan:

- E. B. Morse will strive to maintain a safe, supportive, warm, and inviting environment that will enhance teaching and learning.
- We will increase parent participation in school activities which promote student achievement.
- The percentage of parents satisfied with the school environment as measured by the school report card will increase.
- E. B. Morse will maintain 100% of all core academic subject area teachers as highly qualified as defined by NCLB.

SIC Members

Parent Representatives: Kiandra Bluford, Shelita Butler, Pam Cain, Sandie Clayton, Barbara Latimore, Jody Penland (Chair), Amanda Stroud, Meg Turner, Ambreisha Wicker, Kamika Williams

Teacher Representatives: Christy Brewington, Mandy Hocker, Jennifer Wilson

Principal: Andy Brink

Assistant Principal: Debbie Bishop

