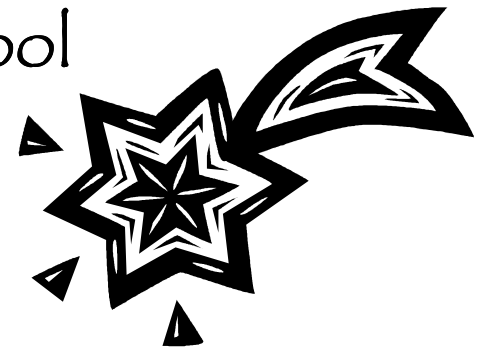


# Laurens Elementary School

## Report to the Parents

2011-2012

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Mandy Tumblin, Assistant Principal  
Celita Strickland, Counselor  
Linda Barksdale, Math /Science Coach

Laurie Seawright, Literacy Coach  
Brandy Moore, Teacher of the Year (2011-2012)  
Susan Hendricks, Teacher of the Year (2012-2013)

### School Improvement Council/Title I Planning Team Members 2011-2012

Delores Cain, Community/Appointed  
Brandy Moore, Teacher of the Year/Ex-officio  
Phillip Dean, Principal/Ex-officio  
Randy Dendy, Teacher/Elected (2)  
Cindy Strange, Parent/Elected (1)  
Gordon Stallard, Teacher/Elected(1)  
Kimberly Hill, Parent/Elected (2)  
Melissa Thomason, Parent/Elected (1)  
Kassie Williams, Parent/Elected (1)  
Barbara Cliatt, Community/Appointed

Doris Bangs, Community/Appointed  
Rebecca Sears, Parent/Elected (2)  
Kim Watson, Parent/Elected (1)  
Erica Simpson, Parent/Elected (2)  
Celita Strickland, Counselor/GT/appointed  
Heather Tollison, Parent/Elected (2)  
Rachel Traynham, Teacher/Elected(2)  
Mandy Tumblin, Assistant Principal/Ex-officio  
Melissa Rush, Teacher/Elected(1)

### Renewal Goals

We are working to achieve the following goals:

- to have 82% of students in grades 3-5 score "Met" or above in mathematics and reading as measured by PASS.
- to increase the number of students in 2nd grade scoring at or above the required RIT score on Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) in mathematics to 67% and to have the number of students on Dominie level of 9 increase to 68%.
- to continue the study of best practices in literacy and mathematics through professional development.
- to increase the number of parents participating in parenting activities & events that affect student achievement.

### Character Education

- 5th to the Future
  - Yellow Dyno
- District CARE Program
- March of Dimes Fundraiser/Walk
- Kiwanis Terrific Kid Program
- Sheriff's Department Food Drive
  - Relay for Life/Mini-Relay
- United Way School Supply Drive
- Partnered with Wal-mart for a fundraiser for Children's Miracle Network

### Fine Arts

- GT Music Program
- Kaleidoscope of the Arts
- Musical Performances
- Student artwork displayed at local business, District 55 offices, and our school
- 4th grade Organ Concert
- School Music Performances
- Smithsonian History of Music at the Laurens County

### School Choice

- Montessori 4K-5th
- Pre-school Programs
- Pre-school Parent Visitation
  - STAR 4K-5th
- Creative Curriculum

Literacy and Math  
 Academy Time  
 After-School Program  
 Dominic Assessment Tasks  
 Educational Field Trips  
 ESOL Teacher  
 Gifted & Talented  
 Guided Reading  
 Hands-on Instruction  
 Literacy Coach  
 Math/Science Coach  
 Measures of Academic Progress  
 Comprehension Tool Kit  
 Reading on the Green  
 Reading Recovery  
 Shared Reading  
 Thinking Maps  
 Tutoring  
 High Progress Schools Project  
 Reading and Writing Workshops  
 Literacy and Math stations  
 Daily 5 and CAFÉ  
 Reading with the Gamecocks  
 Fantastic 5  
 Barnes and Noble Filed Trip



Nutrition/Fitness

DARE Program (5th)  
 Extra P.E. Classes  
 Field Day  
 Healthy Meals Selection  
 Physical Fitness Programs  
 Nutrition Newsletters  
 Universal Breakfast Program



Technology  
 Computer Labs  
 District Technology Coach  
 E-Portfolio for Teachers & Pilot Program  
 for Students (3rd/4th)  
 Ipads for 4K, 5K and Preschool classes  
 Promethean Boards in many classes  
 Study Island  
 Reading Eggs

Professional Development  
 Best Practices Seminars  
 Book Studies  
 Common Teacher Planning Time  
 DSS Certification for 4K Teachers/Assistants  
 District Mini-Courses  
 District Pacing Guides  
 Grade Level Meetings  
 Professional Learning Communities  
 S3 Curriculum  
 School Level Professional  
 Development  
 District Wide Professional Development  
 Summer STEM Institute  
 Common Core State Standards Training

Parenting/Community  
 Be There Parenting Program  
 BI-LO Rewards Program  
 Box Tops for Education  
 Campbell's Soup Labels  
 Community Service Projects  
 Lander, PC and USE Upstate Student Teacher  
 Foster Grandparents  
 Ident-a-Kid  
 Ingles Advantage Card Program  
 Kiwanis Terrific Kid Program  
 LDHS ROADS Program  
 LDHS Service Learning Students  
 LDHS Teacher Cadets  
 Local Business Partnerships (Bojangles, Wal-Mart Distri-  
 bution Center)  
 Parent/Community Volunteer Program  
 Parent Conferences  
 Parent Nights/Pizza Supper  
 Presbyterian College Practicum/Intern Students  
 Reading on the Green  
 Target Awards Program  
 United Way  
 Visitor/Student Sign Out System  
 Wal-Mart Instructional Grants  
 YMCA Child Development Center on-site  
 Book Fair  
 Parent Portal  
 NutriKids  
 Grandparent Breakfast  
 Parent Luncheons  
 Community Career Luncheons  
 Montessori Bridging Ceremony  
 Community Schools Day at PC for Basketball

