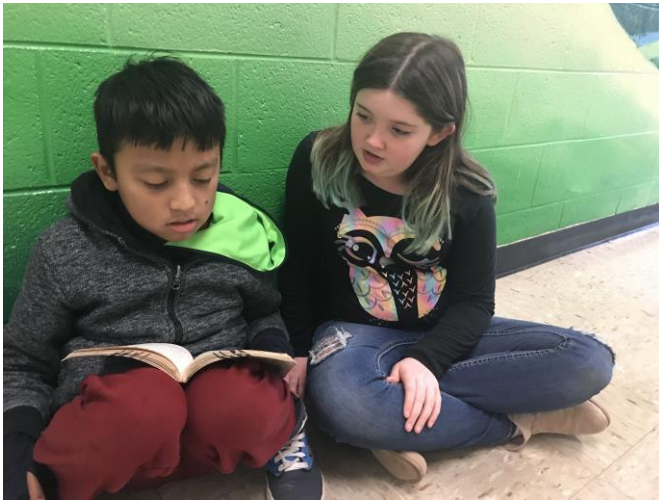### State Assessments

Westwood is proud to say we received a "Good" rating in the area of Academic Achievement on the latest state report card. This rating means our school performance **exceeds** the criteria to ensure ALL students meet the Profile of the SC graduate. Our SC READY ELA scores were higher than the state average and our SC READY Math scores were higher than both the state and district average. Both SC PASS Science and Social Studies scores were higher than the state average as well. Westwood is certainly proud of this accomplishment!

We are a Title 1 School.

Mission Statement

WWES works with families and community members to provide a safe, creative, and engaging environment that promotes individual achievement, positive relationships, and responsible citizenship through a cooperative effort between school and home.

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2019-2020 Improvement Efforts

Increase Reading and Writing Development among students:
1. Teachers incorporated small group time into lesson plans for reading and writing conferences. During this time, the teacher could conference with students to assess and meet individual needs.
2. Teachers attended various workshops hosted by the State Department of Education to learn and study effective reading and writing strategies.
3. Purchased mobile cart of Chromebooks to enrich classroom learning. Students used the technology to research new topics, practice critical skills, and engage in our Accelerated Reader program.
4. Teachers observed other schools within our state whose test scores indicated strong reading and writing scores. These practices are being implemented in our classrooms.

Track Student Growth:
5. Used MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) three times during the year to gauge academic growth and to project how students will perform on the SCReady test.
6. Utilized a DATA Wall and Data Conferences to track students' progress based on MAP, Star Reader, Benchmark tests, and other data sources. Data sheets are also completed on each student and follow them through each grade level to monitor progress each year.

Increase Parent and Community Involvement:
7. Provided student access to online resources directly related to state standards. This allows students extended teaching and practice at home as well as school.
8. Increased Parent Involvement through school events. Westwood hosted both a Literacy Night and Math night this year. Families and students participated in engaging hands-on opportunities to promote a love of reading and mathematics.
9. Held Student of the Month recognition ceremonies for students and parents.

Programs at Westwood

Academic:
- Interventions for Reading
- Gifted and Talented Program
- Accelerated Reader
- MAP Reward Celebrations
- Award's Day
- Educational in house Field Trip for each Grade

Social / Character:
- PBIS Good Behavior Recognition
- Student of the Month
- National Junior Beta Club
- Character Education Program

Community Engagement:
- Meet the Teacher Night
- Musical Programs by all Grades
- Book Fair
- Honors Chorus Performances at Community Events
- Relay for Life
- Angel Tree Fundraiser
- PTO
- FCA
- Good News Club
- Arbor Day Program with Lions Club
- Math Night
- Literacy Night