



Report To The People

Recipient Of the Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards

Waterloo Elementary School

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Waterloo, SC 29384
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Taria Stokes, Ed. S., Principal

Our Vision Statement

Waterloo Elementary School will be a school of academic excellence and equity in our community.

Our School Profile

- ❖ Serves grades 4K-5th
- ❖ Approximately 330 students
- ❖ Title I School
- ❖ Class Ratio 1:25
- ❖ Contains a Traditional Program 4K-5th grade and a Montessori Program 4K-3rd grade
- ❖ 2011-2012- Absolute Rating: Excellent
- ❖ 2011-2012 Improvement Rating: A/100
- ❖ Teachers trained in Balanced Literacy Model through South Carolina Reading Initiative
- ❖ Math/Science Instructional Coach trained by South Carolina Math Science Unit
- ❖ Highly Qualified Teachers in Every Classroom
- ❖ Full-time Guidance Counselor (Character Ed.)
- ❖ PCM/Behavior Tools trained staff members for behavior support
- ❖ Early Childhood/Montessori Instructional Coach
- ❖ Colors: Yellow and Cobalt Blue
- ❖ Mascot: South Carolina Wren

SIC Members:

Chairman: Kaleefa Love-O'Dell, Vice-Chairman: Angela Leopard, Secretary: Jan Craft, Mary Fortune, Taria Stokes, Andrea Parsons, Barbara Jean Smith, Tymeeka Ward-Bennett, Lacie Smith, Lea Severin, and Ramona Welsh

Our Mission Statement

The mission of Waterloo Elementary School is to develop and encourage lifelong learners who are responsible, respectful, and productive citizens in our world.

Accomplishments

- 2011-2012 Palmetto Gold Award for Academic Growth
- 2011-2012 Palmetto Silver Award for Closing the Gap
- Archery Team-State Championship
- Teachers with or working on advanced degrees
- Collaborative planning with instructional coach and principal
- Gifted and Talented Program
- Teachers engaging in professional development on Tuesdays district-wide professional development and mini-cycles
- Students participating in STEM competition
- School Improvement Council
- Increased Student Achievement on MAP tests
- PTO fundraisers
- Supportive Parents and Community Members
- Special thanks to the cafeteria staff, custodial staff, and teachers for helping create a warm and positive climate at WES!

Activities at WES

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| ✓ Career Expo | Math/Science Night |
| ✓ School Success Night | Veterans' Day musical program |
| ✓ Literacy Night | Fall parties |
| ✓ Fall Festival | MAP parties |
| ✓ Spring Fling Dance (4 th and 5 th grades) | Jump Rope for Heart |
| ✓ Relay for Life | PASS Pep Rally |
| ✓ Family Fun Night | Christmas Concert |
| ✓ Muffins for Mom | Doughnuts for Dads |
| ✓ Sweetheart Luncheon | Grandparents' Luncheon |
| ✓ Principal's Pals parties | Game Night |
| ✓ Grade Level Trips | |