"Children are apt to live up to what you believe of them."

#### Lady Bird Johnson

At Red Bank Elementary School, we're all about children. We believe that every child has unleashed potential and we are in the business of empowering children to be all that they can be. We recognize that every child is different, unique, and deserving of the best we have to offer.

We have paraphrased a quote from Mother Goose that we use as a goal - Making our good our better, our better our best. We accept children where they are emotionally, socially, and academically and we build upon their strengths and strengthen their weaknesses. There is only one way to go, and that is to grow.

As a faculty and staff, we pose this question as the focus for every decision, "What is best for children?" With that thought in mind, combined with the multitude of skills and knowledge of this experienced staff, we believe we have a refuge where children can feel secure to take the risks involved in learning. They know they are cared for and believed in. After all, they will live up to the expectations we have for them. We expect the best and nothing less and we're here to make that hap-

### Red Bank

### Elementary School

Marie Watson Principal

Dawn Harden
Assistant Principal

Jimmy Kimpton Assistant Principal

### Did You Know?

Red Bank Elementary is always working toward improvement. The faculty and staff have worked diligently to meet the needs of struggling students and we are currently discussing a standards-based approach to education.

In this model, students would be required to meet levels of proficiency in the standards before moving on to the next level of learning. This will work to ensure that every student can learn and progress at levels that are appropriately challenging for each individual. Rather than having the limited information revealed in an A, B, C, D, F reporting system, parents would know exactly what their child has learned according to each standard.

Additionally, we will help students become better learners and citizens by helping them evaluate their personal and social goals.

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# 2016-2017

#### SIC Annual Report To The Parents

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### Respect

The School Improvement Council for Red Bank Elementary is proud to share the many successes and celebrations accomplished during the 2015-2016 school year. We owe these successes to our students, parents, faculty and staff, business and community partners. Red Bank Elementary students and families participated in many school-wide events including Special Olympics competitions and celebrations, Unified Cheerleading competitions, RBE PTO Family Nights, Student Talent Show and Literacy Night. The Red Bank Winter-fest was a fun filled evening for families in our community. Students enjoyed learning about a variety of career opportunities thanks to many community volunteers who shared during our Career Day. In addition to regular school activities, many of our students participated in the RBE Morning Announcement Team, Garden Club, Safety Patrol, Recycling Team, Etiquette Dinner, Archery Club, Student Ambassadors, Student Leadership Roles; and the Make Your Mark Leadership Foundation.

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### Excel

The use of iPads in our school has been a huge factor in continuing our personalized learning initiative. Students have used iPads to communicate, complete assignments, take assessments, set goals, track learning, and complete projects. Students used such programs as First In Math, Compass Odyssey, Lexia, and RAZ kids, just to name a few, to enhance their learning experience at RBE, and to prepare them for the future with 21st Century Skills.

# Belong

Red Bank Elementary and teachers received grants from Unified Partners for Special Olympics and from Mid-Carolina Electric for STEM education. Our business partners and community members continue to support our students by funding enhanced learning experiences, and providing volunteers as mentors and tutors. Michelin provided funding for our students' enrichment in the arts by sponsoring a visit from the students. Michelin, as well as many faith-based organizations, have provided mentors for many of our students.

### SCPVE

As a school implementing Leader In Me, our students are learning the language of the 7 habits from Stephen Covey's 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. Students have completed applications to serve in leadership roles in the classroom and for the entire school. We are proud of the character traits that are evolving as we continue our mission to lead, to learn, and to love.

Red Bank Elementary continued to participate as a Transform SC School. RBE was featured by Chris Sturgis on CompetencyWorks.org.

http://www.competencyworks.org/casestudy/red-bank-elementary-five-big-takeaways/

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