



Report from School Improvement Council

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At Red Bank Elementary School our mission and vision is to lead, to learn, and to love. Our students created a shared vision of how we will work together each day. All that we do is directly related to this mission and vision.

We encourage each other.

We learn every day.

We never give up.

We are strong leaders.

Our school has been on a journey of competency-based education for several years. This system allows students to learn at their pace, rather than all at the same time whether or not they are ready. In order to measure our success, we set goals for our key indicators of success. These [indicators](#) were observed throughout the year by faculty during Learning Walks, a structured system for gathering data and making decisions for next steps.

Student survey results indicate that greater than 85% of our students know their learning targets, set goals for their learning, can move to the next level of learning when ready, and use a leadership notebook and data wall to track learning. This is substantial improvement of our implementation of a competency-based system of learning.

Our school celebrates leadership every day! Students have classroom leadership roles and school-wide leadership roles. They are “in charge” of every assembly and program at the school. A Leadership Day was celebrated in December that showcased the many ways in which students are leaders at RBE. Students contribute to the school through suggestions to improve, such as helping with car rider dismissal or organizing the lost and found closet. Their ownership of the school makes the culture one where we all belong.

Our school community continues to support Relay for Life, Ronald McDonald House, Special Olympics of South Carolina and other needs as they arise. Our students organized a Charity Fair where all the items were made by children and sold to children. The student body voted to give the proceeds to the Ronald McDonald House. Over \$4,000 was raised through their efforts.



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Our School Improvement Council implemented a weekend snack pack program with over 100 children receiving weekend food packs. Other related events included a Build Your Bike celebration where children who did not own a bike were given the opportunity to work with a partner from Golden State Foods to build their own bike.

We continue to partner with Michelin of Lexington. Their volunteers mentor approximately 50 students. They also cleaned and enhanced the school nature trail and the school entrance through their volunteers and RBE students. Michelin awards one student and one teacher a “Better Way Forward” award. This year the awards furnish summer camp for the student and professional learning opportunities for the teacher.

Our parents have been more involved this year by participating in the Watch D.O.G. program (Dads of Great Students) and by helping with Book Fairs, Winterfest, the Daddy Daughter Dance, the Etiquette Dinner, and Field Days, just to mention a few.

Sessions were offered for parents, The Parent Cafe, so that they could learn about school practices and how to help their child be successful in school.

At Red Bank Elementary, we strive for continuous improvement and we appreciate the partnership with our parents and community as we work to lead, to learn, and to love.

**Marie Watson
Principal**