



## ***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. As a result of our advanced work in the transformation of school, we were recognized by the SC Department of Education for our work in competency-based and personalized learning. We continue to have visits from schools across South Carolina and surrounding areas to learn from us.**

**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 RBE. Students contribute to the school through suggestions to improve, such as helping with plants in the school, breakfast and lunch helpers, technology helpers, and many more. 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 charities. 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 American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Over \$2,000 was raised through their efforts.**

**Our School Improvement Council implemented a weekend snack pack program with approximately 100 children receiving weekend food packs. The School Improvement Council and Title One Advisory Board supported the school’s efforts in providing an after school program for tutoring, as well as the implementation of a Community Development Block Grant for arts and fitness integration in an after school program.**



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**Additionally, a grant through Children’s Trust of SC provided funding for the Strengthening Families Program, a 14 week program to support effective and happy families.**

**We continue to partner with Michelin of Lexington. Their volunteers mentor approximately 50 students. Michelin awards one student and one teacher a “Better Way Forward” award. This year the awards furnished a summer leadership 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, Fall Festival, the Daddy Daughter Dance, Mother and Son Bingo, the Etiquette Dinner, and Field Days, just to mention a few. The PTO was involved in all aspects of extra activities and school sponsored events and honored the faculty and staff with tokens of appreciation. Their efforts provided a new shade cover for one of the playground areas.**

**Title I funding was used intentionally to focus on the needs of students. Student performance data is constantly reviewed so that resources are placed where needed. A summer camp for rising first graders will provide them with the extra support needed to begin first grade.**

**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**