

Awards/Grants

- ▶ Palmetto Gold General Performance Award Winner every year
- ▶ 2011 Palmetto Silver Closing the Achievement Gap Award Winner
- ▶ Red Carpet Award
- ▶ 2012 Farm to School Grant (S.C. Healthy Schools Initiative)
- ▶ Bronze Level—USDA Healthier US School
- ▶ 2014 International Paper \$5,000 grant for playground landscaping
- ▶ 2016 Dollar General \$3,000 Grant for classroom libraries
- ▶ Recognized for contributions to LEAP and United Way

Professional Learning

- Professional learning in units of study for teaching writing and reading
- Technology Workshops
- 21st Century Skills Emphasis: Collaboration, Creativity, Communication, Critical Thinking
- Learning Walks

Special Highlights

- * Spanish Immersion Program
- * Spanish Immersion Parent Advisory Team
- * Before School Strings and Chorus / After School Band
- * Morning Fitness Walk for All Students
- * Girls on the Run / Run Hard for Boys / Team Utopia
- * Quest Zone After School Program
- * Smile Train Mini-Marathon to benefit children with cleft palates and cleft lips
- * Eight National Board Certified Teachers
- * Love and Logic Parenting Program
- * Cougar Power Hour After School Care
- * Watch D.O.G.S. Program
- * Award Winning Art
- * Mentoring Program
- * Pennies for Patients
- * Relay for Life Team
- * Jump Rope for Heart
- * Green Steps School
- * Great Community Partners and PTA



Lexington Rotary Club members read to students



Administration

Margaret B. Mitchum
Principal

Loretta G. Arnette
Assistant Principal

Chris L. Cook
Assistant Principal

Teacher of the Year 2016-2017

Anna Degtyareva

Support Staff of the Year 2016-2017

Susie Bailey, Executive Secretary

Accreditation Information

Current Classification from SCDOE:

ALL CLEAR

Accredited by the
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

Council on Accreditation and School

Improvement (SACS)

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Pleasant Hill Elementary School

“Preparing and Honoring
Every Student”

Annual School Improvement
Council

Report to Parents

2016-2017

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Mission

The mission of Pleasant Hill Elementary School is to prepare all 21st century learners by providing a healthy and caring community, innovative instruction and support to ensure that all students achieve excellence in academics and the arts.

Vision

To prepare and honor students as they become lifelong learners, leaders, and global citizens who have the ability to communicate in multiple languages, collaborate, and think creatively and critically in the 21st century



The purpose of this report is to highlight the progress PHES is making in achieving the goals and objectives of the school's strategic plan. This report has been developed to share the challenges and successes of the school, students, parents, and teachers.

State of SC Annual School Report Card Ratings			
Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Federal Accountability Rating
2016	N/A	N/A	N/A
2015	N/A	N/A	N/A
2014	Excellent	Good	Grade A
2013	Excellent	Good	Grade B
2012	Excellent	Excellent	Grade A
2011	Excellent	Excellent	Met
2010	Excellent	Excellent	Not Met
2009	Excellent	Good	Met
2008	Good	Below Average	Met
2007	Good	Below Average	Not Met

Goals and Objectives

2015-2016 Achievement Highlights

- 85% of first and second grade students met the reading end-of-the-year grade-level targets.
- Test Data: PHES students were assessed using the SCREADY and SCPASS (Palmetto Assessment of State Standards) that align with the state academic standards. These assessments include English Language Arts, mathematics, science and social studies. The table below shows student scores from the 2015-2016 academic school year.

	3rd	4th	5th
Math (SCREADY)*	83.4%	77.5%	54.1%
ELA (SCREADY)*	72.2%	73.2%	53.3%
Science (SCPASS)**	N/A	86.0%	79.0%
Social Studies (SCPASS)**	N/A	95.0%	82.0%

* % Scored Exceeds or Met on SCREADY
 ** % Scored Met or Exemplary on SCPASS

- Our average student attendance was 96.9%.

2016-2017 Goals

- At least 80% of first and second grade students will meet the reading end-of-the-year grade-level targets.
- At least 90% will score exemplary or ready in English language arts and math on SCREADY.
- Our average student attendance will be at least 95.6%.
- We will exceed MAP growth targets in both reading and math.



For more information, you may view Pleasant Hill Elementary's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov.

SIC Members

Jennifer Johnson, Chair

Parents: Jennifer Garrick, Amy Kukoyi and Missy Moore

Teachers: Debra Dele Crews, John Geanangel and Wendi Walsh

PTA Representative: President: Amanda Morrison

Accomplishments of SIC

- Reviewed and disseminated PHES mission and vision.
- Encouraged parents to register to vote and assisted with school-wide student voting.
- Continued the recycling program.
- Rejuvenated our 6 garden beds with students planting, tending and harvesting edible plants.
- Established an outdoor classroom that will be ready for use in 2017-2018.
- Continued with environmentally friendly "Green" school initiatives: breathing right with No Idle Zone and classroom plants, composting, mini-recycling center.
- Assisted with Operation Bed Roll.
- Reviewed test data and survey results. Learned about Read to Succeed legislation. Provided input on school literacy plan.
- Provided input regarding school calendar, budget, topics for parent workshops, and playground improvements
- Continued the mentoring program
- Provided input in AdvancED accreditation process
- Discussed school security and advocated for fence behind school (installed April 2017).

