

**Springdale Elementary** is nestled in the heart of the town of Springdale, which is located in the city of West Columbia. Springdale Elementary is one of 10 elementary schools in Lexington School District Two. The doors of Springdale Elementary were opened in 1966 and it is unique in the fact that it has only had four principals in 45 years.

Over the 45 years, Springdale Elementary has grown in numbers. We currently serve over 575 students in grades Pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade. We have two Child Development-4 classes, one Preschool Developmentally Delayed class, three K5 classes, four first grade classes, four second grade classes, four third grade classes, three fourth grade classes, three fifth grade classes, and one Emotionally Disabled self-contained class. To support our students, we have one full time speech pathologist, one early literacy interventionist with two reading assistants, one guidance counselor, one ESOL teacher, one media specialist, one nurse, one assistant principal, and one principal. Our students are exposed to four related arts classes: physical education, art, music, and computer lab. Our motto, *"Where Children and Learning Come First"* is alive at Springdale Elementary.

WE ARE PROUD!!

Accomplishments

At Springdale, we want our dolphins to D.I.V.E. To D.I.V.E., our dolphins must show Dignity, Interact well with others, Value his/her education, and Encourage self and others.

**National Board Certified Teachers;** Lara Harman, Sherry Page, Beverly Nivens, Susan Jenkinson, and Jane Driggers.

**Teacher of the Year:** Ms. JoAnn Mears

**Staff Person of the Year:** Mrs. O'Neta Poovey

Palmetto Gold/Silver Showcase School  
AEP Program  
Early Literacy Interventionist  
S.M.A.R.T. Room  
Academic Enrichment through computer lab  
Chorus  
Dance Team  
Recycling Effort  
Reading Celebrations  
Reading Prize Patrol  
D.A.R.E. program  
Honors Reception  
Family Art Night  
Parent University  
Dolphin's DIVE  
Extended Day Care  
Targeted Instruction  
Professional Learning Communities  
Strong Community Partnerships  
Girls on the Run  
Showtime at Springdale  
Celebration of the Arts  
Jump Rope for Heart  
Fund Run  
IPAD's in all classrooms  
Completed Phases 1 & 2 of our Healthy Fitness Zone  
RTI Implementation  
Run Hard  
Chromebooks for classrooms  
Positive teacher, parent, and student surveys

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2013-2014



**"Where Children and Learning  
Come First"**

• A Red Carpet School  
• A Palmetto Gold & Silver Showcase School

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# Excelling in Academics

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| 2002-2003 | Palmetto Gold Award  |
| 2003-2004 | Palmetto Gold Award  |
| 2004-2005 | Palmetto Gold Award  |
| 2006-2007 | Closing the Achievement Gap  |
| 2007-2008 | SACS-CASI Accredited School  |
| 2008-2009 | Palmetto Gold Award/Closing the Achievement Gap  |
| 2009-2010 | Palmetto Gold Award/Absolute Rating and Growth Rating  |
| 2010-2011 | Palmetto Gold: General Growth  |
| 2010-2011 | Palmetto Gold: Closing the Achievement Gap   |
| 2011-2012 | Palmetto Gold Award: General Achievement<br>Palmetto Gold Award: Closing the Achievement Gap |
| 2012-2013 | Palmetto Gold: Performance<br>Palmetto Gold: Closing the Achievement Gap                     |

## 6 National Board Certified Teachers

| Year | Absolute Rating | Growth Rating | AYP Status |
|------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| 2013 | Excellent       | Excellent     | Met        |
| 2012 | Excellent       | Excellent     | Met        |
| 2011 | Excellent       | Excellent     | Met        |
| 2010 | Excellent       | Good          | Met        |

## No Child Left Behind AYP

2012: A Rating

2013: B Rating

## School Renewal Plan Goals

Students will achieve grade level proficiency in all curricular areas by mastering learning objectives that are aligned with the South Carolina State Curriculum Standards.

Students will utilize problem solving and critical thinking skills by analyzing information, synthesizing this information, and evaluating the results.

Students will develop appropriate character traits by participating in school-wide programs designed to help develop school success for students.

## Parenting Events

- Back to School Orientation
- Open House
- Family Fun Night
- Build-A-Book Night
- Reading Prize Patrol
- Camp Read Aloud
- Make My Monday Phone Calls
- Family Art Night
- Veteran's Day Assembly
- Family Book Fair Night
- Real Men Read
- Real Women Read
- Dolphin Splash
- Celebration of the Arts
- Showtime At Springdale
- Dolphin Fund Run
- Black History Month Celebration
- Parent University
- DARE Graduation

## Mission Statement

In partnership with our community, we will provide a rigorous curriculum that will foster and develop academic growth at high levels, so that all students become productive citizens.

## Vision Statement

To develop life-long learners, our vision is to educate students academically, socially, emotionally, and physically so that they will become productive citizens.

## We Believe:

All children can learn but at their own pace and in their own way.

Learning is a lifelong process.

The use of technology is critical in society today and should be integrated throughout all grade levels.

We, as educators, must maximize the efforts of all children.

Individual differences should be recognized so that we teach the whole child.

Student learning is the chief priority for our school.

It is imperative that the instructional strategies provide for differentiated instruction to promote optimal learning.

Every child is entitled to a high quality education.

Relationships, rigor, and relevance are keys to all students' learning.

Students should be lead by example as well as proper instructions.