

School Stats

| BLMS Report Card Ratings | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Year | Absolute Rating | Growth Rating |
| 2011 | Average | Good |
| 2010 | Average | Good |
| 2009 | Average | Average |
| 2008 | Below Average | Average |

- Total School Population: 445
- Free/Reduced Lunch: 69%
- Males: 224 Females: 221
- White: 209
African-American: 185
Hispanic: 29 Other: 22
- Average Daily Attendance: 96%
- BLMS is accredited by AdvancEd, formerly Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).



2011-12 School Improvement

Council Members

- Joy Shumpert, Chairperson
- Perri Bryant, Teacher
- Lisa Wheeler, Community Member
- Jennifer Scruggs, PTO Chairperson
- Sadie Hallman, Parent
- Elizabeth Kirkland, Teacher
- Kelly Worley, Parent
- Shawnda Johnson, Ex-Officio
- Angie Rye, Ex-Officio



MISSION STATEMENT
Preparing students for the future...now!

BATESBURG- LEESVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL



Annual Report to the Parents 2011-12

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Angie Rye, Principal
**Shawnda Johnson, Assistant
Principal**

*2011, 2010, 2008 Palmetto Silver
Achievement Award Winner*

Principal's Message

This year, Lexington School District Three unveiled a literacy plan that will enable our students to increase achievement in reading and writing across grades K-12. Our goals support the state wide goal to increase the amount of time students spend reading and writing to 75% of the school day. In order to accomplish this, our teachers have worked collaboratively to plan for authentic literacy integration across content areas each week. Additionally, we implemented a school wide goal that each student and staff member read twenty books over the course of the school year.

For the second year, our sixth grade teachers offered a transition camp to provide opportunities for students to transition smoothly into a new school environment. Our guidance team planned quarterly "Mix It Up" Days during lunch to encourage students to sit with students outside of their regular friend groups and combat bullying. Junior Beta Club and Student Council both provided a variety of activities for our students including an 8th grade dance, student talent show, and Poetry Alive! assemblies. Our students raised money for several community projects including a project to provide two bullet proof vests for canine officers at the B-L Police Department and record contributions to Relay for Life.

Our faculty has continued to work collaboratively to plan and implement high quality instruction and common assessments. A faculty study of the book, Focus, allowed us to examine school wide teaching practice and effectiveness.

We appreciate your continued support as we look ahead to next year. Working together will enable us to prepare BLMS students for the future now!

2011-16 School Renewal Plan Goals

- End-of-school year mean RIT scores on the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) testing in reading and math will increase to the 60th percentile (rank conversion) or higher by 2016.
- The percentage of sixth through eighth grade students that meet or exceed the state standard on all sections of Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS) will increase.
- The attendance rate for teachers and administrators will be at least 96% each year.
- The percentage of middle level certified teachers employed by the district will increase from 80% to 100% by 2014 and beyond.
- By 2016, 98% of parents will participate in at least one parent conference with school personnel each year to discuss their child's progress.
- Discipline referrals will decrease by 20% by 2016.
- The percentage of teachers, parents and students who indicate satisfaction in response to the Education Oversight Committee School Climate Surveys will increase from 82% in 2010 to 90% by 2016.

BLMS Student Awards and Activities

- **2011 Palmetto Silver Award Recipient**
- **School wide Reading Goal of 20 books per student/staff**
- **Catfight Reading Challenge Champion—2nd year in a row!**
- **Panther Pal Reading Buddies—BLMS student athletes read with BLES students**
- **Jr. Beta Club tutors for BLES After-school Program**
- **11 Middle School Marching Band Members in the 2011 1A State Championship Panther Marching Band**
- **5 Students selected to Region 2 Honor Band**
- **Undefeated B-Team Football Season**
- **BLPD Canine Vests, Relay for Life, and Soldier Goody Boxes Service Project Opportunities**
- **Positive Behavioral and Intervention Supports including quarterly academic and behavior incentives**