### **School Statistics**

BLMS Report Card Ratings		
Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2013	Average	Average
2012	Average	Good
2011	Average	Good
2010	Average	Average

- Total School Population: 420
- Free/Reduced Lunch: 69%
- Males: 206 Females: 214
- White: 207

African-American: 163

Hispanic: 33 Other: 17

- Average Daily Attendance: 96%
- BLMS is accredited by AdvancEd, formerly Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).



### 2013-14 School Improvement

#### **Council Members**

- Julie Kornet, Chairperson
- Garrick Ball, Teacher
- Sharon Eargle, Parent
- Mindy Bundrick, Parent
- Susan Burkett, Parent
- Harriett Evans, Parent
- Gary Adams, Teacher
- Lisa Wheeler, PTO/Parent
- Cynthia Etheridge, Community Member
- Dave Bouknight, community Member
- Grig Sawyer, Ex-Officio
- Randall Price, Ex-Officio



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

### BATESBURG-LEESVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL



# Annual Report to the Parents 2013-14

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> Randall Price, Principal Grig Sawyer, Assistant Principal

2013, 2012, 2011, 2010 Palmetto Silver Award Winner

## **Principal's Message**

This year, Lexington School District Three implemented an academic plan that emphasized rigor, collaboration, and engagement in every area of our instructional program. The Common Core State Standards were implemented fully this year to prepare our students to be both college and career ready. Our school goals support the state-wide effort in the adoption of the Common Core Standards. In order to accomplish this, each week our teachers have worked collaboratively to coordinate, plan, and reflect on best practices in the classroom. Additionally, all teachers were formally evaluated under a districtwide performance goal emphasizing reading and writing skills.

Our school offered wide range of activities. Our sixth grade teachers hosted a summer transition camp to provide opportunities for students to transition smoothly into a new school environment. The Junior Beta Club and Student Council both sponsored a variety of activities for our students to provide positive middle school experiences. Character education, anti-bullying and citizenship were areas of emphasis for the guidance department. Our students and faculty contributed to several community projects including local canned food drives, the American Heart Association, the United Way, and Relay for Life.

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

- 2013 Palmetto Silver Award Recipient
- 2013 National Beta Club School of Distinction for 10% increase in students eligible for membership
- The Middle School Chorus participated at two Choral Clinics, performed local shows at the FAC and Poultry Festival. One choral student was selected for the SC Governor's School for the Arts summer program.
- The Middle School Band received an Excellent Rating at the 2013 Junior Concert Festival. The band earned 15 Superior ratings at the SC Solo Ensemble Festival. Band members will be attending London New Year's ceremony
- Proud supporters of Relay for Life, United Way, American Heart Association
- Positive Behavioral and Intervention Supports for academic and behavior incentives
- Eligible students competed at the 2014 Special Olympics at White Knoll High School. Three students qualified for State.
- 35% of our students participated in sports programs at the B team, JV and Varsity level