



Batesburg-Leesville Primary School

Report to the People

Population—638
Free/Reduced —74%

School Highlights

- Named TransformSC School 2017-18
- Monthly STEAM activities
- Smart Boards in every class
- iPad Carts available for instruction
- Reading and Math Interventionists
- Five K4/K5 Montessori classes; Four 1st/2nd Montessori classes
- Book and Box Parades
- Watch Dog Program for Dads
- Special Olympics
- Special Education Support
- 3 Developmentally-appropriate playgrounds
- K4, K5, 1st and 2nd grade musical shows
- Full time Registered Nurse
- Family STEAM and Reading Nights
- Jump Rope for Heart—2nd grade fundraiser
- Mini Relay—1st grade fundraiser for cancer research
- Trike a Thon—K5 fundraiser for St. Jude's
- Makerspace Media Center
- Project-based and Personalized Learning
- Afterschool Program, 1st and 2nd
- Chromebooks for all 2nd graders
- Lunch and Learn Parent Sessions

School Improvement Council Members

Elected Members

Farrah Leaphart

Bonnie Sheppard

Jessica Reyes

Aubrey Steele

Jennifer Richardson

Tamra McCormack

Appointed Members

Judy Enlow

Shelba Hopkins

Lynda Smullen

Ex-Officio Members

Tonya K. Watson,

Principal

Angie Mishoe,

Instructional Coor.



BLPS Goals for 2018—2023


By 2023:

- **90% of 2nd grade students will score a Level 2 or higher on ELA and Math on Spring MAP by creating a more rigorous classroom environment and supporting at-risk students. (MAP to 3rd grade SC Ready Correlation study).**
- **70% of English learners will achieve annual progress in English by the end of the 5th year in the EL program through supports for English Learners.**
- **the percent of stakeholders satisfied with the social and physical environment on the EOC survey will increase by 1.5 percentage points a year to 95% for parents and 100% for teachers through facility upgrades and meeting students' social needs.**
- **the percentage of stakeholders satisfied with the home/school relations on the EOC survey will increase by 2 percentage points each year to (4% annually) 85% Parents and 90% Teachers.**
- **80% of students completing pre-K in district will be Ready for Kindergarten as indi-**




Dear Parents/Guardians,



I have been honored to have served as the BLPS principal for the past 14 years. I am very proud of our school and feel that our District and School have much to celebrate this year.



We are delighted to have been named a TransformSC School this year which is awarded to schools with an innovative mindset. BLPS also started the process of earning a STEAM Certification to enhance our credibility as an innovative school.



Our media center/library stands out as being a leader of technology in S.C. and our students are provided a well rounded education with the integration of technology, increase in physical education for each child, and the expansion of STEAM activities. We continue to be able to offer options to our parents with special education classes, traditional K4-2nd grade classes, and K4-2nd Montessori classes.



BLPS is very blessed to have the support of so many wonderful parents and a faculty/staff who are dedicated beyond measure. We look forward to continuing the hard work that makes BLPS an outstanding school of which you can be proud.



Gratefully,
Tonya K. Watson
Principal