## **Community Involvement**

- Alert-Now Message System
- School Interactive Website
- Open House
- Fall and Spring Literacy nights
- Math and Science night
- PTO
- Monthly Parenting Workshops
- District-wide Parenting Day
- Black HistoryProgram
- Breakfast for Grandparents
- Sawmill Masonic Lodge
- Domtar book talk and book donations
- Partnership with Family and Cosmetic Dentistry
- Lions Club donation of school supplies
- Toys for Tots Assistance
- First Presbyterian Church Thanksgiving Feast Referral & Secret Santa
- Bully-Free Presentation by Police Dept.
- INA Inc. Cheraw, South Carolina

#### **Career & Character Education**

- Classroom Guidance lessons
- Vehicle Career Day
- Fire Safety Week
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Hoops for Heart
- Red Ribbon Week
- Character Luncheon

## **Student Activities & Incentives**

- PBIS Incentives
- Positive Office Referrals
- Nine Weeks Awards Programs
- Junior Beta Club
- Gifted and Talented
- Dr. Seuss School-wide Trivia
- Career Day Activities
- Monthly Character Recognition
- Red Ribbon Activities



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# Marlboro County School District

"Motivating all Children to Succeed with Dignity"

Report to the People 2017-2018



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Vision Statement: The School District of Marlboro County will partner with families, businesses, and communities to develop the next generation of responsible citizens, lifelong learners, and global leaders.

Mission Statement: To educate and enable all students to achieve their highest potential.

School Motto: "Lighting the Way for Success."

# About Us.....

Bennettsville Intermediate School opened its doors for the 2017 -2018 school year looking to build upon the successes of the previous school year and to continue to positively impact students academically and socially. Our goal this school year has been on improving classroom instruction and increasing student achievement with a primary focus in Reading. This was especially important for our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders with the new Read to Succeed Law that went into effect this school year.

We are also working on plans to implement a Literacy Plan for our school, which will consist of students being able to read and write daily for an allotted amount of time in both their ELA and Social Studies classes. Imagine Learning has been implemented in the computer labs and in classrooms to provide students with remediation and enrichment opportunities in reading. Parents and community members have also been encouraged to promote literacy during our Fall and Spring Literacy nights. Finally, students have the opportunity to participate with our tutors and afterschool tutorial programs which provide assistance in reading. As an incentive to keep students' interest and engagement in reading at an all time high; we have had Accelerated Reader celebrations for all students that have met his/her reading goal.

At Bennettsville Intermediate School, we instill a sense of family, community, and cooperation among our staff, student body, and parents. We believe that the atmosphere has a tremendous impact on the culture of our school and student achievement. Therefore, we encourage positive behavior from our students, collaboration among teachers, and partnerships with our parents. We acknowledge the importance of everyone playing a role in achieving our goals.

Bennettsville Intermediate School is *Lighting the Way for Success*. Our students are continuously striving to reach their highest potential. It is through the dedication of our teachers, support staff, students, parents, and community that we continuously progress. Daily, we celebrate the accomplishments we have made and the future successes to come.

#### **Our Beliefs**

- Everyone deserves the best possible education.
- Everyone deserves to be in a safe environment.
- Learning is a lifelong process.
- Everyone deserves to be treated with respect.

- Authentic assessment and application should measure student achievement.
- Learning is dependent upon a foundation built from life experiences, which enables the child to function in and contribute to society.
- Sensitivity to and awareness of cultural diversity and character are essential for all students to be active, successful, productive citizens in society.

## **Our Accomplishments**

- The Columbus Knights donated coats for students.
- Ms. Stephanie Parker and Mrs. Angela Luffman's fourth grade classes sponsored a Fall Coat Drive and collected more than 275 coats, jackets, hats, gloves, and scarves were donated to the Pee Dee Coalition.
- Janette Williams' fifth grade class sponsored a Holiday Can Food Drive for the months of November and December. More than 1,000 cans of food were donated to the Bread of Life Food Pantry.
  - Assistant Principal Crystal Hewett in conjunction with INA Bering Inc. of Cheraw sponsored Christmas Angels at BIS. More than 500 gifts were donated to 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students at Bennettsville Intermediate.
  - Parent Coordinator Celissa Donnelly distributes food to 25 families of BIS each week through Hope Harvest Food Bank.
- City Councilman Tyrone Abraham distributed over 300 toys to 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders in District 5.
- Bennettsville Mayor Heath Harpe along with City Councilman Tyrone Abraham presented the Easter Bunny to the students at BIS and gave each student a treat.
- Inducted 31 students into the National Junior Beta Club this year.
- Received a \$200 grant from Special Olympics.
- Raised over \$3,000 for the American Heart Association by sponsoring a Jump Rope for Heart and a Hoops for Heart.
- Mr. Wayne Usher, BIS' Teacher of the year and MCSD District Teacher of the Year, received 40 books for the BIS Media Center through SC Future Minds and the SC Teacher of the Year Forum.

#### Assessments

- South Carolina READY (SC READY)
- Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS)
- Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)
- District Benchmark Assessments
- Fountas and Pinnell Reading Assessment

## SC READY

Aligned to the South Carolina College and Career Readiness Standards, assesses students in writing, ELA, reading, and mathematics. The table below shows the percent of students that scored "Met" or "Exceeding" for the 2016-2017 school year.

# Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS)

Aligned to the state standards, PASS assesses students, in grades four through six, in science, and social studies. The table below shows the percentage of students who scored "Met" or "Exemplary" for the 2016-2017 school year.

#### SC Ready & SCPASS Data

Grade Level	ELA	Math	Science	Social Studies
3	11%	29%		
4	19%	18%	14%	52%
5	9%	8%	5%	43%

### **Supplemental Instruction**

Imagine Learning Imagine Math Accelerated Reader Tutors in Classrooms Afterschool Programs Computer Software Instruction Corrective Reading