

## School Improvement Council

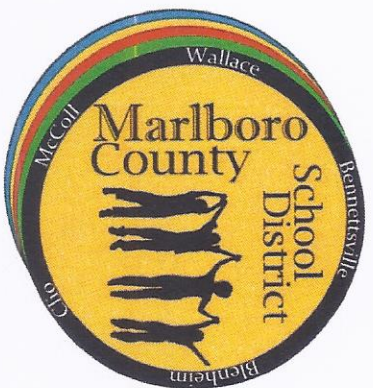
The School Improvement Council for WEMMS has played a vital role in the implementation of programs and academic endeavors. Meeting eight times throughout the year, the council is commended for their commitment to WEMMS.

### SIC Members:

John Davis, Chairperson  
David Best, Parent  
Lakeedra Cannon, Teacher  
Suzy Driggers, Parent  
Frankie English, Teacher  
Brooke Johnson, Parent  
Angela Bears, Parent  
Kimberly Garner, Parent  
Jessica Hewitt, Parent  
Michael Warren, Community Member

### Ex-Officio Members:

Dianne West, Teacher of the Year  
Marilyn Harrington, Parent Coordinator  
Jamie Gould, PTO President  
Janice Henson, Principal



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Dr. Helena Tillar, Superintendent

### School Board Representative

Mr. Michael Coachman

Mrs. Janice Henson, Principal

Mr. James Dutch, Asst. Principal

### Wallace Elementary Middle School

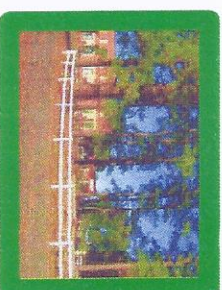
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**Wallace**  
Elementary Middle School

Report to the Parents  
2014-2015

The purpose of the Report to the Parents is to review the progress toward increasing student achievement and other accomplishments made during the 2014/2015 school year.



### Vision

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.

**2014 Palmetto Silver Award**  
For  
**Closing the Achievement Gap**  
And General Performance



## School Programs

### Goal #1

To collaborate with the district and the construction firm in the construction of the new facility.

*The SIC was instrumental in ensuring that the four classrooms were added back to the project.*

*The SIC is overseeing the playground projects and assisting PTO with the planned WEMS Children's Garden.*

### Goal #2

To promote academic achievement in all core areas by supporting new and current initiatives.

(Please see the descriptions of the School Programs on the next page.)

### Goal #3

To continue the partnership with the SC-SIC Evaluation Initiative.

*Professional development was provided to staff to build home/school communication. New initiatives will be implemented for the 2015-2016 school year as a result.*

### Fit4Life

The 2014-2015 school year was the fifth year for the *Physical Fitness and Healthy Living Magnet* at WEMS. This year the sixth, seventh and eighth grade met four days a week (Fit4Life) for one hour participating in physical activity and learning healthy living strategies.

*"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body."*

- Joseph Addison Richard Steele

### STEM

During the 2014-2015 school year Ms. Cheryl Brigrman, Ms. Lakeedra Cannon, Mr. Frankie English, Ms. Kay Haire and Mrs. Janice Henson have been attending professional development that will help the school to:

- Develop a vision and plan for STEM education
- Identify characteristics of school culture, curriculum, and instruction that inspire design thinking and innovation
- Explore principles of engineering that support the new SC Science Standards
- Apply engineering design processes
- Participate in and analyze engineering design challenges
- Gain strategies to cultivate engineering habits of mind and 21st Century skills in students.

## Accomplishments

- 2010 Palmetto Gold – Academic Achievement
- 2011 Palmetto Silver – Academic Achievement
- 2012 Palmetto Gold – Academic Achievement
- 2013 Palmetto Silver – Academic Achievement
- 2013 Palmetto Silver – Closing the Achievement Gap

WEMS 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year

*Mrs. Kay Haire*

### Successful Service Projects

- Christmas Drive for Local Families
- Canned Food Drive for Pee Dee Coalition
- Jump Rope for Heart/Hoops for Heart

- 100% Highly Qualified Teaching Staff
- 16 Staff Members with Advanced Degrees