## **School Achievements**

- We are super proud of our teachers and students for earning a Valued Added 5 on student achievement. This means that a majority of our students grew more than a year's growth academically.
- Congratulations to Ms. Tawanda Harrington! BEMS Teacher of the Year!
- Ms. Bridges and her "helpers" did a great job with the Grandparents Day Program in September.
- Many thanks to the Town of Blenheim for hosting the first Annual Blenheim Holiday Bazar to support Relay for Life.
- Congratulations to the BEMS Eagles Athletes who always represent us with pride and dignity
- Incentives were provide to over 100 students each Benchmark Administration for scoring 80% and above.
- We are very proud for our teachers and students for significant reduction in discipline referrals at school and on the bus.
- BEM now offers STEM class due to the Project Lead the Way grant provided by Boeing
- Congratulations to our Spelling Bee Winners:
  - Overall winner: Hydiyah Atkinson
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Runner up: Cyheim McRae

- Congratulations to Mr. Cezar Gherasim. He was awarded a camera from Donners Choose to use for the year book.
- Congratulations to our Academic Challenge Team that placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the District.
- Congratulations to Miss Jessica Dismukes for receiving 20 Ukuleles for her music class.
- Congratulations to Mrs. Jacobs and Mr. Abrahamsen who wrote and was awarded a DHEC recycling grant.
- A sincere thank you to the Mayor of Blenheim Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Brock for purchasing a piano for our music program
- A sincere thank you to our always support School Board Representative Mr. Danny Driggers.
- A sincere thank you to all of our local faith based organizations that support us on regular basis.

### **My school SIC Members**

### **SIC MEMBERS**

Stephanie Easterling Chairperson 843-479-1873 Melvin Easterling 843-479-1873 Delores Fair 843-535-2857 Kimberly Watson 843-528-3071

#### **Teachers and staff**

Rona Cue Deidre Hepburn Brandy Garrett Sherry Bridges

#### **Community Members**

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MoHawk Carpet843-528-32112118 Marlboro Rd, Bennettsville, SC

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### **Purpose of the Report**

"This Report is issued by the Myschool School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year."



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#### **Our Mission**

The Mission of Marlboro County School District is to educate and enable all students to achieve their highest potential.

## **SIC Annual Goals**

Goal: Student Achievement

- Reading, Mathematics and Writing
  - Ensure well-developed lesson plans, appropriate classroom environment, and high-level of engagement of students
  - Monitor and evaluate implementation using observations tools
  - Meet in small groups and individually with teachers
  - Utilize PASS, classroom assessments, and benchmark data to identify specific skills that students demonstrate "needs improvement"

Goal: Professional Development

- Increase relevance of professional development for teachers by using "data to drive" professional development topics through the implementation of professional learning communities (PLCs)
- Meet in small groups and individually with teachers to improve areas identified as "needs improvement"
- Obtain feedback from teachers and review data (observation data, MAP, SCPASS, classroom assessments, and Benchmark data) to review and revise professional development plan

Goal: School Environment

- With the collaboration of the Parent Facilitator, guidance counselors, and administration, training videos will be created and produced by students to train parent volunteers in the areas of office volunteers, media center volunteers, and classroom volunteers.
- Reading Nights, Math and Science Nights, Grandparents Day Program, Black History

Month Program, Parent/Community Forums (with Administration), and other events, parents will be provided opportunities to be celebrated, train, supported, and to provide input/feedback on initiatives.

## **Student Achievement**

On the South Carolina Annual School Report Card 2014, Blenheim Elementary/Middle School (BEMS) had the following ratings:

- Absolute Rating: At-Risk
- Growth Rating: **Average**
- Elementary and Secondary Schools Average (ESEA): **F**
- Accountability Indicator: Priority

# School Plans 2015-2016

The SIC Goals for 2015-2016 are to continue with the Annual Goals with some revisions:

- Focus on rigor in the classrooms through the full implementation of TAP
- Reduce disciplinary infractions through the implementation of Olweus Bullying Program and a school-wide discipline plan.
- Increase opportunities for parent involvement by including a Daddy-Daughter Dance, Mother-Son Dance, Donuts with Dads, Muffins with Moms, and other activities

"For more information, you may view Myschool's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at <u>www.ed.sc.gov</u>."