

Student Activities &

Opportunities

- Accelerated Reader Program
- Artist in Residence Program
- BARK Program
- Battle of the Books Team
- Blue Ridge Jr. Golf Program
- Bullying Awareness Week
- Chick-fil-A Core Essentials Program
- Chorus & SC Honors Chorus
- DAR Essay Contest
- Drug Awareness Week
- Duke Energy Art Exhibit
- Early Morning Computer Lab
- Early Morning Media Center
- Early Morning PE Program
- Family Literacy Night
- Future Chef Competition
- Good News Club
- Imagineers Club
- Jet Toy Competition
- Jump Into Kindergarten
- Junior Beta Club
- Math Madness Team
- MESA Science Competition
- Oconee County Tornado Poster Contest
- 100 Book Challenge Program
- PBIS Celebrations
- Rotary Student of the Quarter
- Running Club
- Safety Patrol
- Science Fair
- School Store
- STEAM Night
- Student Service Club
- Student News Program
- Swimming & Water Safety
- Weekend Backpack Program
- YMCA After School Program

Community Outreach

- American Heart Association
- Annual School-wide Food Drive
- Keep Oconee Beautiful Association
- Keowee Kindness Fund
- Relay for Life
- Oconee Humane Society

Recognitions

- 2009-2016 Palmetto Gold Award
- 3-time Red Carpet School Award Winner
- 2016 National Beta Club School of Distinction
- 2016 Regional Jet Toy Competition Winner
- 2017 Regional Science Fair—2 First Place Winners
- 2017 District Math Madness Event—
4 First Place Winners and 7 Top Ten Finishes

Our History

Keowee Elementary School dates back to the early 1900's when the school served area students elementary through high school. Since the early 80s, the school has served students in Kindergarten through fifth grade and self-contained special education classes. In 2010-11, a 4K program was added. The 2016-17 school year marks Keowee's one hundred and fourth year as an Oconee public school.

Our School Today

- Average enrollment for 2016-17 is 380 students.
- The average daily student attendance for the 2015-2016 school year was 95.4%.
- **School Report Card Rating:** Excellent
- **School Board Representative**
Mr. Jerry Lee
- **PTO Officers**
Erin Dial—President
Christine D'Aiuto—Vice-President
Michele Cromer—Secretary
Sally Clay—Treasurer
- **School Improvement Council Members**

Tiffany Klement—Chair	Margi McLain
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Keowee Elementary School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.



School Summary Report

2016-2017

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Mission Statement

Our mission at Keowee Elementary School, in cooperation with home and community, is to challenge and enable every child to learn and grow academically, socially, and emotionally, within a safe and nurturing environment.

Our Beliefs

- Optimizing student learning is the priority for the school.
- Our school community shares the responsibility for advancing the school's mission.
- Each student is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional, and intellectual needs.
- Curriculum, instruction, and assessment involve a variety of learning experiences to accommodate individual differences.
- Students learn best when they are authentically engaged in the learning process.
- Students' self-esteem is enhanced by positive relationships and mutual respect among and between members of the school community.
- A safe, nurturing environment promotes student learning and confidence.

Accomplished School Renewal Plan Goals for 2015-2016

Curriculum

- Academic assistance was implemented K-5.
- Staff development in John Collins Writing program, CANVAS, Fountas & Pinnell benchmarking, and NWEA reports was provided.
- Targeted instruction was provided based on data derived from formative assessments.
- Individual student goal-setting conferences were held with an administrator during the year for all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders.
- School-wide STEAM projects were implemented each quarter.
- John Collins Thinking & Writing Program was implemented school-wide.
- K-5 reading intervention resources were enriched with Leveled Literacy Intervention kits.

School Environment

- Dedicated funds were utilized to expand technological capabilities including the purchase of a rear projection screen, Spheros, Bee Bots, and additional wireless hot spots
- Dedicated PTO funds were utilized to upgrade technology resources, enhance courtyard with four additional picnic tables, and fund teacher mini-grants.
- Received Safe Kids Safe School Award.
- PBIS (Positive Behavior Support) continued to be emphasized through school-wide training updates and monthly student celebrations.
- An observation honey bee hive was installed.

Home-School Connection

- Our Keowee Volunteer Program continued to actively involve parents and community members.
- In conjunction with PTO and SIC, the school hosted Family Game Night, Family Literacy Night, STEAM Night, and Family Movie Night.
- School and classroom web presences were updated and maintained through CANVAS.

School Renewal Plan Goals for 2016-2017

Curriculum

- Individual student goal-setting conferences will continue to be held with an administrator during the year for all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders.
- Targeted instruction will continue to be provided based on data derived from formative assessments.
- K-5 academic assistance will continue to be offered.
- Staff development in STEAM learning, Google Classroom, CANVAS, John Collins Writing program, guided reading, and analyzing Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark Assessment results will be provided.
- John Collins Thinking and Writing program will continue to be implemented school-wide (Year 2).
- K-5 reading intervention resources will be enriched with additional Leveled Literacy Intervention kits, Literacy Footprints, and Raz Kids.

School Environment

- Dedicated funds will continue to be utilized to expand technological capabilities including the purchase of Smart TVs, Chromebits, Stickbots, a green screen, and an additional mobile Chrome-book lab.
- PBIS will continue to be emphasized, and a new PBIS Kiosk will be added for 3rd-5th graders.
- Safe Kids Safe School Award application will be submitted.
- Dedicated funds for safety improvements will be utilized to purchase additional security cameras, 2-way radios, air horns, and library door chime.
- Dedicated PTO funds will be utilized to increase the number of technology devices in the classroom, and to fund teacher mini-grants.

Home-School Connection

- School and classroom web presences will continue to be utilized to enhance communication between home and school via CANVAS.
- In conjunction with PTO and SIC, the school will host Family Literacy Night, STEAM Night, Doughnuts for Dads, Muffins for Moms, Grits for Grands, and a school-wide cook-out.