# Report to the People 2023-2024 **NORTHSIDE ELEMENTARY** 1710 N. Townville St. Seneca SC, 29678 | nes.sdoc.org | 864-886-4445 |

# Welcome to Northside Elementary School

Home of the Bobcats, Northside Elementary School is nestled in the heart of downtown Seneca, South Carolina, Northside is one of the three elementary schools in the Seneca area of the School District of Oconee County. Currently serving 657 students, Northside Elementary stands as the largest elementary school in the district. From Pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade, and inclusive of self-contained special education classes, our school offers a diverse range of programs to meet the needs of every learner. Whether it is our Preschool Intervention Program (PIP), Intensive Teaching Classroom (ITC), or our functional behavioral classroom, we are dedicated to ensuring that every child receives the support they need to succeed.

While our roots date back to 1958, when the school first opened its doors with just one wing, our focus remains on the future. Today, our campus spans 100,750 square feet, with school additions made in 1995 and 2009. At Northside Elementary, our motto, "Be prepared, united, respectful, and responsible, 'PURR' with pride and be learners for life," guides our work daily. We are committed to fostering a community of lifelong learners who are prepared to succeed. Welcome to Northside Elementary where every day offers a chance to learn and grow!

The Northside Elementary School Improvement Council has prepared this report in compliance with South Carolina regulations in order to update the community on the school's achievements, progress towards goals, and the efforts of the SIC throughout the academic year.

# Mission & Vision

Our mission at Northside Elementary is to challenge every child to be a learner for life.

Our vision is to provide all students with the strategies and tools to learn and succeed in a global world.

## School Improvement Council

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### **School Information**

- Enrollment: 657
- Males: 351 Females: 306
- Demographics
  - 19% African American/Black
  - 1% Asian
  - 55% Caucasian
  - 15% Hispanic or Latino
  - 1% Indian
  - 9% Two or More Races
- Teachers: 56



## **School Activities & Student Opportunities:**

- All Pro Dads
- All State Choir
- Beta Club (4th & 5th Grade)
- Career Day
- Chick-fil-A Core Essentials Program
- Chorus (4th & 5th Grade)
- D.A.R.E (5th Grade)
- Family Literacy Night
- Field Day
- KOBA
- Girls Math Group (3rd-5th Grade)
- Good News Club
- P3 Soccer Camp After School Program
- **PAWS** Targeted Instruction
- PTC Glow Dance
- Pumpkinfest
- One Seneca Acts of Kindness Donation Drive
- Read-a-Thon Read Across America Week
- Real Men Read
- Schoolwide IXL Challenge
- Science Fair
- Shop with a Bobcat
- Springfest
- STEM Lab (PK and 3rd-5th Grade)
- Swimming & Water Safety (3rd Grade)
- WCAT Bobcat News (5th Grade)
- YMCA After School Program





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# Report to the People 2023-2024

#### Northside Elementary School Improvement Goals & Progress

The School Improvement Council (SIC), composed of administrators, teachers, parents, and community members, partners with the school to create and implement a five-year strategic plan. This plan includes performance goals dedicated to enhancing the overall culture and learning environment of the school in order to foster continual improvement and growth for all stakeholders.

#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GOAL

Increase academic performance by improving SC Ready and MAP scores through effective literacy instruction. Using Heggerty and Science of Reading resources, along with MTSS interventions, and teacher professional development, to provide tailored support for students to enhance their literacy skills.

#### SCHOOL CLIMATE GOAL

Continue to cultivate a positive school culture and enhance staff morale in the Learning Environment area of the state teacher opinion survey.

#### SCHOOL TO HOME CONNECTION GOAL

Enhance parent-school communication through regular updates, including monthly school newsletters, weekly classroom newsletters, posts on ClassDojo, Facebook announcements, and school events.

# **Academic Achievement Progress** Percentage of 3rd-5th grade students scoring in the "met" or "exceeds" range on SC Ready.



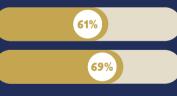




2022 | ELA The percentage of students scoring meets or exceeds in ELA 2023 is above the district average of 52.1% and the state average of 53.9%. Students scoring meets or exceeds in math 2023 is also is above the district average of 42.2% and the state average of 40.9%

# 🕋 School Climate Progress

Overall perception of the school culture.

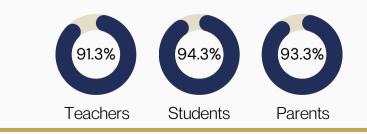


59%

According to the results from the teacher, student parent opinion survey the overall perception of the school culture increased by 8% from 2022 to 2023.

# School to Home Connection Progress

Percentage of individuals satisfied with the learning environment of the school.



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