#### We believe that...

- Student learning is the chief priority of the school.
- Education is a lifelong process requiring continuous improvement and revision.
- Individuals will be provided an emotionally and physically safe learning environment.
- All individuals will be treated with dignity and respect.
- Individuals will be given the opportunities to experience changing technologies.
- Individuals will be given the opportunity to be actively involved in the learning process.
- Children learn best when motivated and challenged.
- Education will provide students the opportunity to access information and to be successful problem solvers.
- All students can learn.
- Students are the center of an education that is relevant to everyday life experiences.
- Every student will have access to services and resources necessary for them to reach their full potential and develop their unique talents.
- Students need to develop an awareness of cultural, social, and emotional differences.
- Parent/guardian involvement does contribute to the success of students.
- Individuals need to be responsible for their own actions.
- Curriculum and instructional practices will vary to accommodate a variety of learning styles.



### Evaluation of Goals 2012 - 2013

- We continued to disaggregate and analyze all performance measures to help meet the needs of our students.
- We continued to operate a morning SuccessMaker computer lab.
- We continued to provide professional development in technology and implementation of the Common Core State Standards in ELA and math.
- We continued to communicate with parents and community through various methods (i.e., newsletters, progress reports, conferences, phone calls, news articles, web page, etc.).
- We continued to use STAR and Dominie reading assessments.
- We continued to support the teaching of Everyday Mathematics.
- We continued the use of MAP testing in grades K − 5<sup>th</sup>.
- We continued to use ERI Reading Programs for identifying students needing reading assistance.
- We implemented the Key Math program for math remediation in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.
- We continued to use small group remediation for reading and math.
- We continued the use of SuccessMaker Reading and Math Programs.
- We continued to update and purchase new technology for teacher and student use as funds are available.

#### School Renewal Plan Goals 2013 – 2014

- We continue to disaggregate and analyze all performance measures to help meet the needs of our students.
- We continue to operate a morning SuccessMaker computer lab, as well as use SucessMaker math and reading programs during the school day.
- Professional development is being provided in technology, writing, and implementation of the Common Core State Standards in ELA and math.
- We continue to communicate with parents and community through various methods (i.e., newsletters, progress reports, conferences, phone calls, news articles, web page, etc.).
- We continue to use STAR and Dominie reading assessments.
- We implemented the EnVision Mathematics program.
- We continue the use of MAP testing in grades K 5.
- We continue to use ERI Reading Programs for identifying students needing reading assistance (K-2).
- We implemented Achieve 3000 as a reading intervention for grades 3-5.
- We implemented the EnVision RTI program and continue to use the Key Math program for math remediation.
- We continue to use small group instruction for remediation in reading and math.
- We implemented the Typing Master program to foster keyboarding skills.
- We continue to update and purchase new technology for teacher and student use as funds are available.

#### **School Activities/Programs**

Fall Festival

Fifth Grade Cougar Leaders and Book Clubs

Chorus & Boom Taka

Art Club

Grade Level Field trips

Chick-fil-A and Subway Eat Fresh Nights

D.A.R. Essay Contest

Core Essentials Program

Papa John's Partner with Children

Accelerated Reader

Battle of the Books

100 Book Challenge

Career Day

Jump into Kindergarten

Relay for Life

**PBIS** 

Rotary Students of the Quarter

Math and Science Night

Writers' Night Out

Young Authors' Day Celebration

Junior Golf Program

Gifted and Talented Education

Pre-K Program

SuccessMaker Math/Reading Computer Lab

Kiwanis Club Terrific Kid Program

Jump Rope for Heart

Keep Oconee Beautiful Association

Tornado Poster Safety Contest

School Volunteer Program

**Future Chef Competition** 

#### **Student Recognitions**

Principal's Honor Roll

All A's, and A/B Honor Roll and Star Students

Top Accelerated Readers

SuccessMaker Reading and Math

Perfect Attendance

Terrific Kids/Fabulous Frog

Chick-fil-A Value-able Reward Program

Measuring Academic Progress Achievement 100 Book Challenge Milestone Awards

#### **School Fact/Information**

- 284 students enrolled (including Pre-K).
- 46 faculty and staff members
- The 2013 School Report Card Absolute Rating: *Good*
- The 2013 School Report Card Improvement Rating: *Average*
- 2013 ESEA Grade: A
- School Improvement Council Members: Pam Alexander, Angie Burrell, Christy Duncan (Chair), Patrick Gardner, Kayla Lusk, Michelle Lusk, Lisa Simmons, and Crystal Talley. Members can be contacted through the school.
- P.T.O Officers include: Shalana Pitts (President), Ben Bolin (Vice-President), LeAnn Duncan (Secretary), Lisa Price (Treasurer), and Jessica Ellis (Volunteer Coordinator).



### **School Recognitions**

- Palmetto Gold Award Winner (General Performance), 2012
- Palmetto Silver Award Winner (Closing the Achievement Gap), 2012
- Palmetto Silver Award Winner, 2011
- Palmetto Gold Award Winner, 2010
- SC Healthy School Award, 2008
- Red Carpet Award, 2004 & 2008
- 30+ years SACS Accreditation
- Continue to meet AYP

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Our mission at Tamassee-Salem Elementary is to provide a safe learning environment where all students reach their full potential.

**Lisa Simmons**Principal

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