

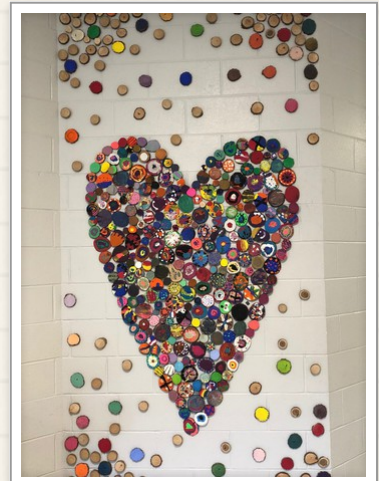
Townville's Report to the People

2021

Learning, Leading, & Growing TOGETHER

Title One

Townville is a Title I School which means we receive funds from the federal government to assist in providing additional instructional resources, technology enhancement, instructional staff, and educational opportunities, based on our poverty index. Additional reading resources are utilized in classrooms, in the LLI program, and our primary teachers have the opportunity to utilize various Orton-Gillingham strategies. All students receive need-focused enrichment during a 30-minute block of time each day. These blocks are staggered among grade levels and are designed to enhance academic acceleration, academic intervention, and fine art opportunities.



Title 1 Funds

At Townville Elementary, funds from Title 1 are used to fund:

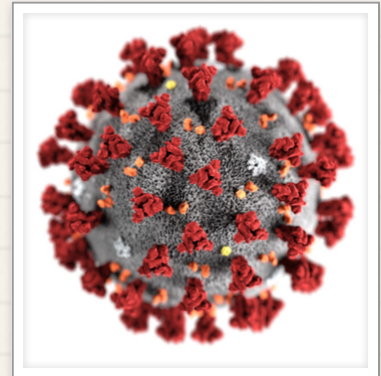
- *Specific technology programs addressing math and reading achievement (MyOn Reader, Happy Numbers, Education Galaxy, TrueFlix, BookFlix)
- *Math manipulatives
- *Reading/Writing support materials used for instruction
- *Full-day 4K salaries (a non-Title 1 school in our district has 1/2 day 4K program)
- *Instructional paraprofessionals contracts are extended 5 days to participate in professional development with teachers

*Library hours during summer for families to check out books
& participate in literacy experiences

*Growth of non-fiction & fiction texts beyond typical classroom
library

COVID-19 Pandemic

In March of 2020, we were first notified of the need to close schools to help mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus. School closure began for us at Townville on March 16, 2020. Students and families were given packets to help assist with learning and review of instructional standards for a couple of weeks. Those weeks turned into unexpected months of remote learning as the school buildings remained closed. Teachers were still working hard to help students learn from home during this time.



During the summer of 2020, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), SC's Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC), and AccelerateED Task Force shared updates, guidance, and recommendations of how to move forward with the 2020-2021 school year. Based on those recommendations and data from our local area, face-to-face (F2F) and virtual learning academy (VLA) learning opportunities were made available. The governor mandated the VLA option for the 2020-2021 school year as well.

Protocols put in place for F2F instruction included: physically distancing, mask wearing except at lunch and recess, and handwashing/sanitizing routines. Students in most classrooms ate lunch in their rooms. For our early learners, spaces were marked and seats assigned during lunch time. Large stickers in hallways and in the gym provided visuals for everyone to know the distance to maintain between each person. Masks were provided to staff and students throughout the year, if there was a need known or expressed. Instead of shaking hands, students and staff were creative and did "air" high-fives, elbow shakes, and verbalized greetings. Students did not travel to the library, art room, music room, or computer lab. Those teachers did travel to each of the homerooms to provide instruction in their areas. As much as possible, students were kept in their cohort groups during the day to minimize mixing of students and to assist with contact tracing, if needed.

These and many other changes were made and were very different ways of "doing" school on site, everyone is to be commended for doing their part to follow protocols in order to keep others and themselves during this unprecedented time in the world.

At the time of this report, school officials continue to monitor the virus spread, vaccination schedules, and recommendations for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year.

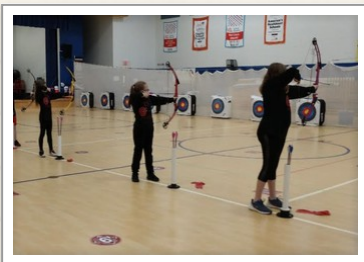
Michelin Friends at US2

Over the past 12 years, we have had the opportunity to partner with the Michelin Tire Corporation in Sandy Springs, SC.

Townville is a great community full of caring parents, community members, churches, and beautiful rural



surroundings. However, there are not many businesses in close proximity to the school. Michelin's US2 plant, which is located in Anderson School District Four, has graciously partnered with Townville Elementary to provide resources, volunteers for activities, mentors, and tutors to help meet the specific academic needs of our students. We've always noted that as our Michelin Friends drive towards our school they will see other schools and many other businesses that support those schools. We do not have those resources and that makes our appreciation even greater for US2's Michelin employees who've demonstrated a strong commitment to giving back to students as part of Michelin's Challenge Education (2009) program. With COVID protocols in place this year, we've been unable to physically welcome our Michelin Friends inside the school to tutor, but they've been dedicated to working with a group of students to tutor them using zoom. We can't wait to have them back in our buildings! :)



Programs and Events

- Archery Team
- Explore the Arts (music and visual arts)
- Book Fair
- Character Education
- Bully Prevention Program
- Modified Field Day
- Gifted & Talented
- Red Ribbon Week
- Robotics Club
- Virtual STEM Night

Student Learning Growth

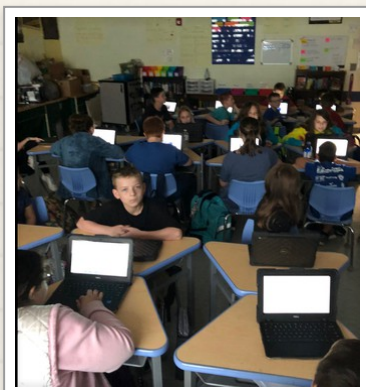
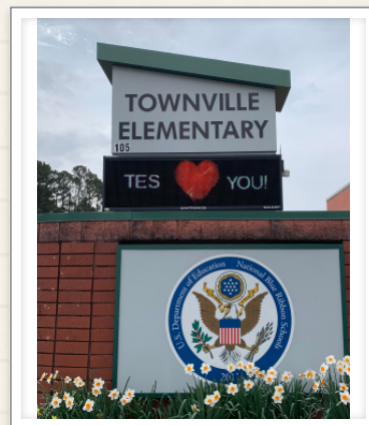
Teachers assess learning and administer assessments throughout the year to gain a better understanding of the learning and instructional needs of our students.

These assessments include:

- NWEA's Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)
- CoGAT/ITBS
- Fountas and Pinnell Reading Benchmarks
- FastBridge screeners

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District Focus Using Technology to Enhance Learning

Townville is immersed in technology with support from our board and district technology staff. Our students and staff have the use of digital cameras, chromebooks, interactive learning panels in the classrooms, and a computer instructional facilitator. As part of our "1 to World" initiative, all students have all been issued a digital device. Our fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students also have chromebooks that can be used at school and at home for instructional purposes.


Open for Learning!

Our doors open to car riders and bus riders at 7:30am each school day. Bus riders are dismissed from class daily at 1:45pm and car riders are dismissed at 2:00pm each day. It is important for everyone to be at school on time each day, unless you or someone in your family is sick. Please keep in touch with the teachers and school nurse, if your child or someone in your household has tested positive for Covid-19 or is experiencing symptoms.



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