

## 2016-2017 School Improvement Council Members

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### Principal's Message

We are committed to providing an educational environment in which each child can experience academic success in a secure, friendly and inviting atmosphere. For purposeful learning to occur, the student must see purpose and meaning in classroom experience and must enjoy more success than failure. Through effective learning experiences, we seek to help every child strive to attain his highest potential intellectually, physically, emotionally, and socially. We believe education is the cumulative effect of all successful learning experiences a student undergoes.

## Our School

**Grades: Pre-K thru 5th**  
**Mascot: Baby Mohawk**  
**Colors: Maroon/Gold**  
**Total Daily Enrollment:: 350**

Bethune-Bowman Elementary is a Title I school in Rowesville, South Carolina; 12 miles outside the Orangeburg city limits. The student population at Bethune-Bowman Elementary School is predominantly 96% African -American. Approximately 96% of the students attending Bethune-Bowman Elementary School are on free or reduced lunch.

Bethune-Bowman Elementary School is presently staffed with 1 principal, 1 assistant principal, 1 reading coach, 1 guidance counselor, 18 certified teachers, 5 teacher assistants, receptionist/attendance clerk, 1 secretary 1 nurse, 3 cafeteria servers, 1 cashier, 1 C.A.R.E. Center Facilitator and 2 custodians.



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**Dr. Jesse Washington III, Superintendent**  
**Mrs. Lakekia J. Lewis, Principal**

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**2016-2017**



## Our Vision

Working together to build a World-Class school.

**I Matter...**

## Student Opportunities

Baby Mohawk Academy  
Save the Children  
School Intervention  
Fountas & Pinnell LLI  
Computer Lab  
21st Century Program  
Accelerated Reader and Math Program  
Study Island  
National Honor Society  
Science Fair  
Student of the Week  
Daily Intervention for ELA/Math  
Read Across America  
Book Fair  
100th Day of School Celebration  
PASS Family Friendly Standard Night  
Title I Afterschool Tutorial  
Career Fair  
PTO Pageant  
Field Day  
Chorus  
Jump Rope for Heart  
Penny for Patients  
United Way  
Relay for Life

## Our Mission

Bethune-Bowman Elementary School exists to ensure academic excellence for all students.

### 2016-2017 School Accomplishments

Percentage Passing		
	SC Ready	SC Ready
	ELA/Reading	Math
3 <sup>rd</sup>	13.5%	30.8%
4 <sup>th</sup>	28.6%	52.4%
5 <sup>th</sup>	15.8%	68.4%
	PASS Science	PASS Social Studies
4 <sup>th</sup>	55.6%	85.7%
5 <sup>th</sup>	84.2%	44.7%

2016 Annual Report Card:

Absolute Rating Average

Growth Rating Average

\$500,000 Extended Learning Grant (Mohawk Mamia)

Penny for Patients raised over \$650.

Oranageburg Filling Station: \$800.80

## Our Beliefs

Student learning in a safe environment is our primary focus.

Embracing change creates an environment for growth.

Proficient use of technology is essential to success in a global society.

Building positive character is essential

We support the development of professional learning communities.

We welcome your participation and support!

**A school where, "Failure is Not an Option"**