

2022-2023

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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: 291

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 90% African – American and 9% Hispanic. Approximately 92% 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, 17 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 2.5 custodians.



**Bethune-Bowman
Elementary School**

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**Annual Report to the
People**



Student Opportunities

Save the Children
Program

After School Intervention

21st Century Afterschool Program

IXL Software

National Beta Club

Student of the Month

Daily Intervention for ELA & Math

Career Week

Read Across America

100th Day of School Celebration

Grade Level Parent Nights

Student Field Studies/Trips

United Way

2022-2023 Test Scores

BBES SC Ready Scores 2018 , 2019, & 2022

Grade Level	2018 ELA	2018 Math	2019 ELA	2019 Math	2022 ELA	2022 Math
3rd	25%	30.8%	16%	22%	17.5%	20%
4th	47.9%	42.2%	40.7%	48.1%	17.6%	11.8%
5th	16.3%	48.9%	4.40%	24.4%	11.1%	10.9%

BBES SC PASS Science 2019 & 2022

Grade 4	2019	2022
	35.2%	17.6%

Our Vision

The Bethune-Bowman PreK-12 Campus will graduate all students with life characteristics, world-class knowledge and skills, college and career ready.

Our Mission

Bethune-Bowman PreK-12 Campus , the catalyst of innovation and excellence, is to ensure all students discover and develop their person, purpose, and platform through high quality educational experiences distinguished by:

- a culture of collaboration, equity and inclusion
- a creative learning environment with inspiring opportunities
- a commitment to nurture the academic, physical, social and emotional well-being of all

Our Beliefs

- honoring individuality through respect and empathy empowers and promotes acceptance, which builds family and community
- effective communication is the key to understanding others
- purpose is the core of existence
- moral values shape who we are
- freedom is an inherent right
- times is life's most valuable asset
- growth mindset is necessary to adapt and embrace change

We welcome your participation and support!