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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: 338

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



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Annual Report to the People 2012-2013



Our Vision

Working together to build a World-Class school.

I Matter... Student Opportunities

Baby Mohawk Academy Save the Children Voyager : Ticket to Read , V-Math Live Readwell **Computer Lab 21st Century Program Accelerated Reader and Math Program Study Island National Honor Society Science Fair** Student of the Week Walk to School **Read Across America Book Fair 100th Day of School Celebration PASS Family Friendly Standard Night Spelling Bee 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 provide excellence in teaching and learning.

2012-2013 School Accomplishments

Red Carpet School

2012 Annual Report Card: Absolute Rating-Below-Average, Growth Rating-Average

Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant

\$40,000 Orangeburg County First Steps Grant for the Early Steps to School Success Program

Save the Children Grant

\$20, 000 21st Century Palmetto Mentoring Grant

Talicia Benjamin, the winner of BBES's Character Counts Essay contest.

Each classroom is equipped with new computers.

Penny for Patients raised over \$750.

Mathathon raised \$200.

March of Dimes raised \$625.

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"