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LaKekia Lewis
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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.

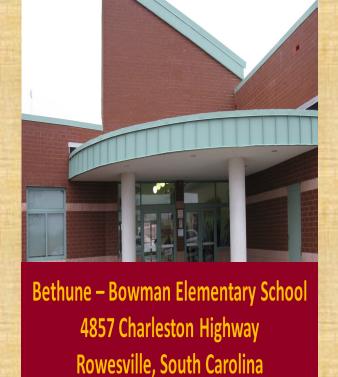
Approximately 96% of the students attending Bethune-Bowman Elementary School are on free or reduced lunch.

Bethune-Bowman Elementary School is presently staffed with 1 principal, 1 assistant principal, 1 guidance counselor, 1 media specialist, 22 certified teachers, 5 teacher assistants, 1 receptionist/attendance clerk, 1 secretary/bookkeeper, 1 nurse, 3 cafeteria servers, 1 cashier, 1 C.A.R.E. Center Facilitator and 2 custodians.



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### **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 ensure academic excellence for all students.

2015-2016 School Accomplishments

**Percentage Passing** 

	ACT Aspire	ACT Aspire
	ELA/Reading	Math
3 <sup>rd</sup>	11.7%	48.3%
4 <sup>th</sup>	13.9%	58.3%
5 <sup>th</sup>	24.4%	41.5%
	PASS Science	PASS Social Studies
4 <sup>th</sup>	78.4%	94.6%
5 <sup>th</sup>	73.5%	48.4%

2015 Annual Report Card:

Absolute Rating
Average

Growth Rating
Average

\$500,0000 Extended Learning Grant (Mohawk Mamia)

Penny for Patients raised over \$650.

March of Dimes raised \$1500

## **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"