

VISION, MISSION, AND BELIEFS

The vision of Clemson Elementary School is to provide a caring and stimulating environment where all will recognize and achieve their fullest potential, so they can become independent, responsible citizens who adapt effectively to an ever-changing and inter-dependent world.

Our mission is to provide all students a foundation that inspires life-long learning, fosters positive self-concept, and promotes citizenship by providing meaningful learning experiences in a safe and nurturing environment through the combined efforts of the students, parents, staff, and community.

We believe:

...we have an obligation to provide our best efforts to benefit students.

...student and teacher growth is mutually advantageous.

...working as a team makes us better individuals and professionals.

...developing one's full potential must address developing the cognitive, physical, and emotional growth of each individual.

...encouraging respect for others builds personal self-esteem.

...understanding and respect for cultural diversity contribute to an enriched society.

...promoting logical thinking rooted in creativity contributes to an intellectually stimulating and challenging school environment.

...curiosity and enthusiasm are attributes worthy of fostering in students and adults.

2013-2014 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Larry Allen, Community Member
Bridgett Bowen, Chairperson
Barry Burnett, Teacher
Jennifer Cox, Parent
Benjie Cumbie, Parent
Nima Fiuzat, Community Member
April Fowler, Community Member
Jenny Garrity, Parent
Robert Halfacre, Parent
Louise Huey, Community Member
Darla King, Parent
Carole Ann Riggins, Teacher
Melissa Terry, Assistant Principal
Beth Yoder, Parent
Sue Whorton, Community Member



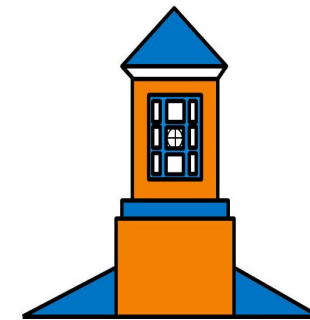
More information about Clemson Elementary School can be obtained by visiting the State Department of Education's website at www.ed.sc.gov or the school's website at <http://cle.pickens.k12.sc.us>.

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2013-2014 REPORT TO PARENTS

CLEMSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Where every day is a great day to learn!



**581 Berkeley Drive
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ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Located on the banks of Lake Hartwell, the town of Clemson enjoys a beauty that combines old southern architecture and modern, sophisticated ambiance producing an interesting and stimulating environment for all who live and work here. Clemson Elementary School is an integral part of this rural, quaint community.

Clemson Elementary is an esteemed, public school serving a diverse population of approximately 850 students in grades Pre-K-5. It boasts a gymnasium that is shared by the community, an amphitheater, a computer lab, a science lab, playgrounds, gardens, nature trails, and other outdoor learning areas.

A tradition of excellence has long been an essential part of Clemson Elementary's school culture. Clemson Elementary is one of only two elementary schools in South Carolina to be awarded the prestigious State Department of Education's Palmetto Gold Award in all years of eligibility since the award's inception. In addition to this accomplishment, Clemson Elementary has also received improvement and overall report card ratings of excellent each year since 2001.

Clemson Elementary has a faculty and staff of 111 highly trained, dedicated professionals that provide academically appropriate instruction for the students of the Clemson community. Together with its stakeholders, the school celebrates a learning community that is known for its rich cultural diversity, the individuality of every student, and a commitment to each student's success. Our faculty and staff recognize that every child brings his or her own set of experiences, interests, learning styles, and expectations into the classroom. Our goal is to make the school a place "Where every day is a great day to learn."

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

2012-2013 MEASURES OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS AVERAGE RIT SCORE

Kindergarten						
Reading			Math			
	School	District	Nation	School	District	Nation
Fall	151.1	144.4	N/A	153.1	146.0	N/A
Winter	159.1	153.0	150.6	162.0	155.0	150.5
Spring	168.1	160.4	157.7	170.6	165.7	159.1
First Grade						
Reading			Math			
	School	District	Nation	School	District	Nation
Fall	168.5	164.1	160.0	171.9	167.6	162.5
Winter	175.5	171.4	170.7	179.2	175.0	172.4
Spring	183.3	179.7	176.9	188.0	183.8	179.0
Second Grade						
Reading			Math			
	School	District	Nation	School	District	Nation
Fall	180.9	174.0	175.9	181.9	176.3	178.7
Winter	187.7	181.4	183.6	189.5	184.1	183.6
Spring	197.5	190.5	189.6	197.7	193.3	191.3
Third Grade						
Reading			Math			
	School	District	Nation	School	District	Nation
Fall	198.3	191.8	190.2	197.5	191.6	192.3
Winter	202.9	197.3	194.6	202.9	197.6	198.5
Spring	209.2	202.9	199.2	211.3	205.8	203.1
Fourth Grade						
Reading			Math			
	School	District	Nation	School	District	Nation
Fall	207.6	202.6	199.6	209.4	203.9	203.5
Winter	211.2	205.8	203.2	212.5	208.5	208.7
Spring	214.8	209.2	206.7	219.0	214.7	212.5
Fifth Grade						
Reading			Math			
	School	District	Nation	School	District	Nation
Fall	216.9	209.3	207.1	220.0	212.8	212.7
Winter	218.7	211.9	209.8	222.5	216.3	217.8
Spring	223.2	215.3	221.0	229.4	222.6	221.0

STATE REPORT CARD

Grade.....A
 Overall Rating Excellent
 Improvement Rating..... Excellent

2013-2014 RECOGNITIONS

- Palmetto Gold Award Winner
- Regional Science Fair at Southern Wesleyan University – 3 Student Finalists
- SC Scholastic Chess Tournament Awards
 - Top Female Champion
 - 4th Grade Individual Champion
 - Team Championship
- 7 National Board Certified Teachers
- SC Social Studies Teacher of the Year
- Safe Kids Upstate Safe School Award
- Odyssey of the Mind SC State Tournament
 - 5 teams placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd

EXTRACURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

- After School Care
- America Reads
- Arts Center
- Chess Team
- Chorus
- First Lego League
- Future Engineers
- Golf
- Good News Club
- Jump Rope Team
- Kuk Sool
- Odyssey of the Mind
- Safety Patrol
- Spirit of Giving Food Drive
- Step and Stomp
- Urban Planning
- Yoga