

Recognitions

- 2020 National Distinguished Title I School
- 2015 Palmetto Gold Award
- 2014 Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards
- SDE Designated Distinguished Title I School for Performance (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- 2008-2018 Safe Kids Upstate Safe School Awards (11 Consecutive Years)
- Teacher of the Year
Kimberly Robson (2020-21)
- Support Employee of the Year
Kela Simpson (2020-21)

Overall Report Card Rating 2019-20 Not Rated

School Improvement Council Members

Leah Rice, Chairman
Emily Cone
Leslie Manning
Lazaro Nunez
Kimberly Robson
Kela Simpson
Tracy Turner
Amanda Willoughby

School History

West End School was established as a separate unit of the Easley Public Schools in 1922. In 1929, the wooden building was replaced with a two-story brick structure which was used until the present school, located at the intersection of Highways 8 and 135, opened in the fall of 1985. A new wing was added in 2004. The present enrollment is 720 students in kindergarten (K4 and K5) through grade 5. West End personnel includes 2 administrators, 54 certified staff members, and 32 support staff members.

Primary Map/MAP Test Results

Average RIT Score

Kindergarten	Math	Reading
West End Avg. Fall 19	139.7	141.6
District Avg. Fall 19	142.1	143.1
West End Avg. Winter 20	149.6	147.8
District Avg. Winter 20		

Grade 1	Math	Reading
West End Avg. Fall 19	161.1	159.5
District Avg. Fall 19	167.4	165
West End Avg. Winter 20	175.1	169.3
District Avg. Winter 20		

Grade 2	Math	Reading
West End Avg. Fall 19	181.9	175.4
District Avg. Fall 19	177.9	174.5
West End Avg. Spring 20	186.4	183.7
District Avg. Spring 20		

Grade 3	Math	Reading
West End Avg. Fall 19	193.1	190.4
District Avg. Fall 19		
West End Avg. Spring 20	199.1	194.5
District Avg. Spring 20		

Grade 4	Math	Reading
West End Avg. Fall 19	204	201.4
District Avg. Fall 19		
West End Avg. Spring 20	208.4	205
District Avg. Spring 20		

Grade 5	Math	Reading
West End Avg. Fall 19	214.08	209.5
District Avg. Fall 19		
West End Avg. Spring 20	215.1	210
District Avg. Spring 20		

West End Elementary

National Distinguished Title I School

Report to Parents 2020-2021



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Gary Mohr, Assistant Principal
Kimberly Robson, Instructional Coach
Kelly Snyder, Reading Coach

Introduction

This report is provided to parents in compliance with the Education Finance Act (EFA) of 1977, the Education Improvement Act (EIA) of 1984, and the Elementary and Secondary Academic Act (ACT 135) of 1993. It presents information about school accomplishments in the 2016-17 school year and updates to the 2017-18 goals.

Vision Statement

Learning Today,
Leading Tomorrow

Mission Statement

Our West End Community maximizes students' potential by providing instruction that builds students' knowledge, strengthens their skills, and develops in them career-ready characteristics for success in an ever-changing world.

What We Believe

- Children are our first priority.
- All children can reach their potential.
- All children have a right to learn in a safe, caring environment.
- Learning is a life-long process.
- All children can learn and be responsible.
- Diversity promotes understanding and acceptance of others.
- Children, parents, and teachers are partners in education.

Strategic Plan Goals

We will provide standards-based instruction designed to meet the needs of each student.

We will build a safe and inviting school climate.

We will encourage parent and community participation in the overall program at West End.

2020-2021 Performance Goals

Student Achievement—In 2022/2023, SDPC will increase student performance measures in early literacy by grade 3 from 41.1% to 49.15% and math proficiency by grade 3 from 59.6% to 62.5% as measured by the state summative assessment.

Teacher/Administrator Quality - In 2022-2023, West End Elementary will increase staff capacity from 85% to 95% to provide different learning goals for each student as measured by AdvancEd surveys.

School Climate - By 2022-2023, West End will increase the percentage of parents who are satisfied with home-school relations at West End from 87.6% to 95% as measured by the State Department of Education Survey.

Theme

West End: A Community with GRIT
Growth
Resilience
Integrity
Tenacity

STRATEGIES TO MEET GOALS

- West End Elementary continues as a Title I School-Wide Model School. West End's Title I Plan includes instructional activities (with afterschool tutoring), materials and professional development opportunities for teachers that address strengths/weaknesses identified in the school's needs assessment.
- Teachers implement the South Carolina College and Career Ready Standards (SCCCR) and participate in professional development to facilitate SCCCR Implementation.
- Teachers analyze data from teacher assessments, SCReady, SCPASS, MAP, Primary MAP, F & P Benchmarking, and KRA to identify strengths and weaknesses of the curriculum and plan differentiated instructional activities to better meet each student's needs.
- Educational opportunities for parents have been held during the day, in the evenings, and off campus to provide parents with subject area information to help them as they assist their children.
- Student artwork is displayed in local art shows. Students participate in local and state musical and choral events.
- Communication to parents & community is provided through newsletters, school & teacher websites, an electronic message board, SchoolMessenger calling system, Schoology, and social media sites.
- A Morning Meeting Program and character education programs continue to be expanded.