School Organization and Contact

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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Dr. Timothy Blackwell Mrs. Tanya Johnson Mrs. Antoinette Mursier Mrs. Elizabeth Gregory Mrs. Jacqueline Kelly Mrs. Clemmie Washington

ABOUT THIS REPORT.....

The School Improvement Council of John P. Thomas Elementary School has prepared the annual school report for you and the community. The report reviews the progress and growth made last year, reviews last year's test scores, and describes plans for improvement this year. Enclosed you will find an account of the progress we made toward accomplishing targeted goals in 2013-2014, as well as, the desired results for student learning that have been made a priority for this school year. If you have any questions about the information summarized here, please contact Mrs. Selina Latimore, Principal, or Mr. Michael Harris, SIC Chair at (803) 735-3430.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Chorus Art Safety Patrol Archery Team Student Council JPT News Show **DARE** Program Spring Fling Family Math/Science Day Writing Walls of Fame Student of the Month Program Leadership, Dance & Drama Club Lunch Buddy Program Midlands Reading Consortium Communities in School of the Midlands Frances Burns Mentoring Program

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

Books and Breakfast Donuts with Dads Muffins with Mom Success Maker @ Home Laptop Program Comprehensive Remediation Program ALPHA Best After-school Program

MISSION STATEMENT:

We are Richland One, a leader in transforming lives through education, empowering all students to achieve their potential and dreams



John P. Thomas Elementary School



2013 – 2014 SIC ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

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John P. Thomas Elementary School will promote academic excellence and enable students to become productive, knowledgeable, and responsible citizens with integration of technology, the support of family and involvement of community partnerships.

At John P. Thomas Elementary School,

"Imagine the Possibilities"

School Highlights & Awards

Adequate Yearly Progress 2008-2009, 2009-2010, 2010-2011

HealthierUS School Challenge Award 2012 Bronze Recipient

SCHOOL AWARDS

2012 Customer Service Award

School Demographics

Total Enrollment <1% White 96% African American <1% Hispanic 2% Other

35 Homeroom Teachers (10 National Board Certified)

Test Information

2012-2013 Federal Report Card Rating

Overall Weighted Points Total	42.9
Overall Grade	F
Conversion	

2012-2013 State Report Card Rating

Absolute Rating	Below
	Average
Growth Rating	Average

TECHNOLOGY

All rooms have

Smartboards in Classrooms Two Computer labs Twelve Nook Colors Classroom Performance System NEO2's

MAJOR GRANTS RECEIVED

Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Conservation Collaborative Projects Target Physical Education Grant Fishing Program Grant 21st Century After-school Program Chamber of Commerce Homework Center

Goals for Next Year

- To increase annually the percent of students who meet state standards in five content areas assessed by PASS until the percent meets or exceeds the statewide average,
- ✓ To increase the level of parental involvement beyond school-based activities,
- ✓ To ensure that students at John P. Thomas Elementary School become proficient readers by third grade,
- To create, maintain, and enhance a school environment that is child-centered, safe, and promotes healthy behaviors,
- empower each child to learn, grow and develop a sense of citizenship in the community, both within and beyond the walls of our school, and
- create a professional learning environment that attracts and supports a high quality core of teachers and staff.

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