

## School Organizations

### School Improvement Council

(FY 2024—2025)

Keonye Johnson, Parent, Co-Chair  
Nicholas Washington, Community Member, Co-Chair  
Leah Kates, Community Member  
Sarah Smilanich, Parent  
Crystal Lyons Teacher, Reporter  
Michaela Peterson, Teacher  
Dawn Smith, Ex-Officio Member (Principal)  
Chris Reliford, Ex-Officio Member (Asst. Principal)

### Parent-Teacher Organization

(FY 2024—2025)

Elizabeth Hanvey, President [BRESPTO@gmail.com](mailto:BRESPTO@gmail.com)  
Sara Lachowski, Vice President  
Hali Stanyon, Treasurer  
Tiffany Dymont, Membership Coordinator  
Serritta Smith, Activity Coordinator



**Bookman Road Elementary is a**

**2021 Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School of Excel-**

## Extracurricular Activities

### Featured Programs

|                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| LIFESKILLS Spotlight       | Hallway Heroes        |
| New-Student Guides         | Special Olympics      |
| Student Ambassadors        | Peer Mediators        |
| Book Buddies               | K-5 Service Learning  |
| Blinky's Buddy Recognition | Mentoring Programs    |
| Accelerated Reader (Media) | Ft Jackson Volunteers |
| Gifted & Talented Program* |                       |

*\*Performance Criteria Qualifications*

### Family Programs

|                           |                      |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| SIC Light keepers         | PTO Harvest Festival |
| Parent Orientation Nights | PTO Meetings         |
| 5th Grade Promotion       | Book Fairs           |
| Family-Night Events       | BINGO Night          |

### Clubs & Activities

|                 |                     |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| Visual Art Club | Yearbook Staff      |
| Chorus          | Musical Productions |

### Tuition-Based After-School Programs

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| BREAKERS After-School Program |        |
| Dance & Cheer                 | Soccer |
| Good News Club                | Karate |
| Chess Club                    |        |



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## Bookman Road Elementary



A message from

**Mrs. Dawn Smith, Principal**

Greetings from the helm! Our vision at Bookman Road Elementary School is to develop Beacons who "light the way" in personal character, academics and community service. We achieve this by modeling and teaching LIFESKILLS in a nurturing environment that fosters academic excellence; involving our students in their communities; and providing opportunities for exploring both inside and out of the classroom. This annual report offers a review of Bookman Road's goals; progress made this academic school term; actions planned for the upcoming school year; information on programs, activities and recognition; and an overview of testing data. Keep shining your lights, Beacons!

**School Hours: 7:40 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.**

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## Highlights & Awards

Quality of learning is assessed at Bookman using a variety of formal and informal, prescriptive and achievement tools. Body-brain compatibility research, environmental learning and differentiated instruction guide how content is delivered to students. ***All instruction is rigorous, project-based, engaging and aligned with the South Carolina College and Career Ready Curriculum Standards.***

### Distinctions

#### National Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School of Excellence

Special Olympics - National Unified Champion School  
Richland School District Two Wellness Champion  
DHEC "Champions of the Environment" Grant  
Dept. of Education—Red Carpet School  
Nine Palmetto Gold Awards  
One Palmetto Silver Award

2023 SCASA Principal of the Year  
2022 Dick & Tunkley Riley SIC Finalist  
2023 District Teacher of the Year Finalist  
Two HR Block® Rookie Teachers of the Year  
Promoting a Military-Connected STEM Mindset  
Petco Pets in the Classroom Grant  
South Carolina Gold Volunteer Award  
Closing the Achievement Gap Award  
Dick & Tunkley Riley Award  
Grace-Life Church IMPACT Grant Recipient  
Samsung/Operation Military Child Program  
Richland County Soil & Conservation  
Commission "Earth Day" Grant  
Named a National Wildlife Habitat by NWF



## State Test Scores

### 2024 Test Scores and Climate Survey

SCReady English & Language Arts Met or Exceeded %

**BRE—61% Richland 2—50%**

SCReady Mathematics Met or Exceeded %

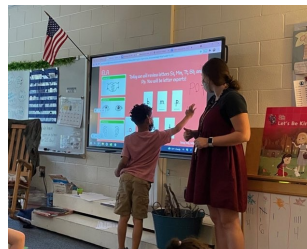
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**Climate Opinion Survey—Percentage of those satisfied with the following:**

|              | Teachers | Students | Parents |
|--------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Learning Env | 100      | 92       | 94      |
| Physical Env | 100      | 96       | 92      |
| Home-School  | 100      | 97       | 85      |

### Technology Integration

- Multimedia Lab with Video Distribution System
- 1:1 Computing with Chromebook® (All Grades)
- Clear Touch® Panels
- Google® Apps Classroom
- Document Cameras
- E-books and E-Readers
- Virtual Reality Headsets
- Google Hangouts
- RAZ Kids
- EasyCBM®
- Reading Counts (Media Center)
- Scholastic Reading Inventory (Reading)
- Mastery Connect®
- Accelerated Reader®



## Goals

### School Improvement Goals for 2023—24

**Goal 1—** Continue offering a personal touch ("Light keepers") from an SIC member to parents of all new students transferring into Bookman during the school year.

**Goal 2—** Research designs to create an outdoor classroom space for the school.

**Goal 3—** Explore new extra-curricular activities and clubs for all students.

### FY 2024—2025

- ♦ **Goal 1 MET**
- ♦ **Goal 2 Ongoing,**
- ♦ **Goal 3 A chess club was introduced this year.**

### Student Information

**Student Enrollment = 559**  
*Grades Pre-K through 5th*

330—African American  
104—Caucasian  
7—Asian, 76—Hispanic, 1—Pacific Islander  
35—Two or More Races 6—Other

### Teacher Information

Pre-K through 5th Teachers—32  
*National Board Certified Teachers—5*  
Staff with Advanced Degrees—43  
Sheri Barfield—2025 "Teacher of the Year"  
TBD—2025 "Classified  
Employee of the Year"