

School Organizations

School Improvement Council

(FY 2025—2026)

Keonye Johnson, Parent, Co-Chair
Alana Popa, Community Member, Co-Chair
Leah Kates, Community Member
Brian Morgan, Community Member
Joseph Craft, Parent
Michaela Peterson, Teacher
Ashley Cooper, Teacher
Abby Hughes, Teacher
Dawn Smith, Ex-Officio Member (Principal)
Chris Reliford, Ex-Officio Member (Asst. Principal)

Parent-Teacher Organization

(FY 2025—2026)

Hali Stanyon, President BRESPTO@gmail.com
Leah Kates, Vice President / Secretary
Latoya Washington, Fundraising Co-Chair
Candace Robinson, Fundraising Co-Chair
Elizabeth Harvey, Volunteer Coordinator
Brandy Clark & Avril Troupe, Hospitality
Stephanie Jones, Membership and Spirtwear



Bookman Road Elementary is a

2021 Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School of Excellence.

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
STEM Program	



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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 & Tunky Riley SIC Finalist
2023 District Teacher of the Year Finalist
Promoting a Military-Connected STEM Mindset
South Carolina Gold Volunteer Award
Closing the Achievement Gap Award
Dick & Tunky 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

2025 Test Scores and Climate Survey

SCReady English & Language Arts Met or Exceeded %

BRE—66% Richland 2—55%

SCReady Mathematics Met or Exceeded %

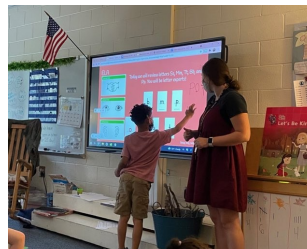
BRE—57% Richland 2—41%

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

	Teachers	Students	Parents
Learning Env	98	88	95
Physical Env	94	88	90
Home-School	98	88	79

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
- EasyCBM®
- Reading Counts (Media Center)
- Scholastic Reading Inventory (Reading)
- Mastery Connect®
- Accelerated Reader®



Goals

School Improvement Goals for 2025—26

Goal 1— ("Light keepers") for 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 2025—2026

- ♦ **Goal 1 Discontinued.** Members noted that this was used in three years. Parents are more likely to use digital applications for finding information about a new community.
- ♦ **Goal 2 Ongoing.** Members are working with local churches and youth programs during summer.
- ♦ **Goal 3 Ongoing.** Football camp was added. Members are looking into Robotics for 26-27.

Student Information

Student Enrollment = 536

Grades Pre-K through 5th

299—African American

91—Caucasian

88—Hispanic,

8—Asian, 46—Two or More Races 4—Other

Teacher Information

Pre-K through 5th Teachers—30

National Board Certified Teachers—6

Staff with Advanced Degrees—42

Crystal Zinn —2026 "Teacher of the Year"

Stephanie James—2026 "Classified SOY"