

Varenes Elementary School

Title One School
Annual School Summary Report 2016-2017



OUR VISION

We are dedicated to developing critical thinkers, who will reach their maximum potential through high expectations in an engaging environment.

DISTRICT MISSION

To educate students who are college and career-ready and will positively contribute to an ever-changing world.

Varenes Elementary School

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FACEBOOK Page

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Jennifer Bufford, Principal

Malura Shady, Assistant Principal



Did you know.....

- ❖ Varenes Elementary School (VES) is a magnet school. Our magnet programs are technology and communications.
- ❖ Fourth and Fifth grade students are 1:1 with Chromebooks.
- ❖ Third are 1:1 with Chromebooks, iPads, or MACBooks.
- ❖ We have 2 mobile MacBook and 1 DELL touchscreen laptop carts.
- ❖ Each classroom is equipped with a SMARTBoard, LCD projector, and document camera.
- ❖ The entire school has wireless internet access.
- ❖ Teachers and students have access to a PC lab and MacBook Lab for instructional support.
- ❖ Student Council host community projects- P.A.W.S Animal Shelter Collection and Food Drive for the Salvation Army.
- ❖ Varenes was a SC Department of Education Red Carpet School 2009-2013.
- ❖ Varenes received the Literacy Spot Award in the 2009-2010 school year.
- ❖ Varenes received the Exemplary Writing Award from 2009 -2014.
- ❖ Varenes was recognized by the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) as a Palmetto Silver Award winner for closing the achievement gap for the 2013-2014 school year.
- ❖ Varenes received 2016 Best in State from Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge.
- ❖ Varenes participates in the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program through the SCDE.
- ❖ Varenes offers a before school program beginning in September to support reading and math instruction.
- ❖ Varenes offers an after school program beginning in January that supports students with on grade level standards.
- ❖ Our Business/Community Partners are Kawanis, Logan's Roadhouse, Michelin, Papa Johns, New Spring Church, Varenes Heights Baptist Church, Boulevard Baptist Church, INERGY, Chick-Fil-A, and Wal-Mart.

School Improvement Council Members

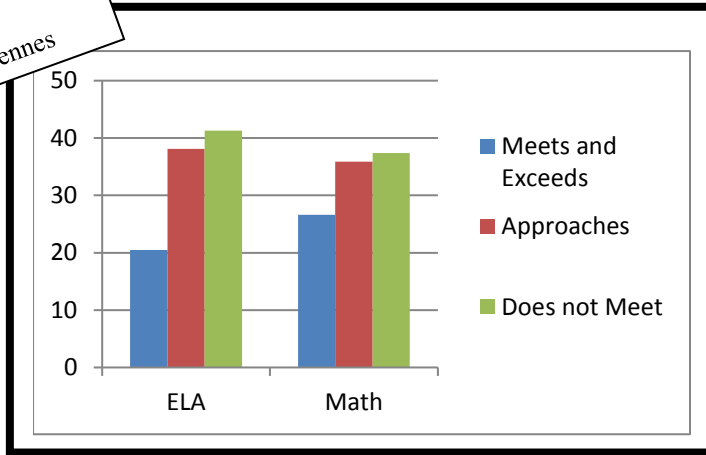
Kimberly Montgomery	Magon Wilson
Walter Lanier	Linda Mosley
Malura Shady	
Leonard Galloway	
Amber Weeks	
Jennifer Bufford	

2016-2017 Employees of the Year

Teacher of the Year: Crystal Chappell
Rookie of the Year: Marlee Waldrop
Non-Instructional Employee: Erin Pickens
Custodial Employee: Harriet Martin
Food Service Employee: Lyn Smith



2015-2016
SC Ready Test Results for Varennes



ACCREDITED!

A5 renewed its accreditation in the 2013-2014 school year! VES's goals for improvement are to continue focused efforts on closing the achievement gap in ELA and Math. Another goal is to create a positive culture and improve parent involvement.

Teachers participate in on-campus and off-campus professional development sessions. Some of the PD sessions teachers have participated in this year are:

- ✚ SS/Sci. Units
- ✚ Balanced Literacy with a focus on guided reading
- ✚ SCIRA Conference
- ✚ National Behavior Conference
- ✚ Guided Math
- ✚ Mooresville Technology Training
- ✚ Summer Leadership
- ✚ PBIS Training with Kim Allen



School Description

- VES opened in 1967.
- VES currently serves 380 students.
- Our yearly student attendance rate is 95.2% on our last state report card.
- Our yearly staff attendance rate is 94.0% on our last state report card.
- We have 31 full-time and 2 part-time certified staff members.
- We have 13 classified staff.
- VES is an intermediate elementary school. We serve grades three through five.
- State Report Card Rating: Average/Below Average (from 2013-2014)



Great things are going on at VES!

We have added 352 titles to our Media Center!

125 students have earned Principal and A/B Honor Roll!

2015-2016 Spelling Bee Winner: **Jacob Coe**

VES has 33 active Honor Chorus Members!

2015-2016 Student Council Members:

- Madison Padgett
- Kamarious Martin
- Carly Walker
- Qyashun Clemons
- Andrea Reyes
- Janiya Hill
- Trey Freeman
- Erick Sosa
- Kaylee Aiken
- Morella Holmes
- Shamari Blanding
- Zekiah Hogan
- Ki'Mya McMullen
- Audrianna Brooks
- Natalie Williams
- JaLeelah Chancellor
- Madison Glenn
- Brianna Cobb
- Makaila Lomax