

Varenes Elementary School

Title One School
Annual School Summary Report 2015-2016



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.

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FACEBOOK Page

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*Jennifer Bufford, Principal
Brian Williams, Assistant Principal*



Did you know.....

- ❖ Varenes Elementary School (VES) is a magnet school. Our magnet programs are technology and communications.
- ❖ Fifth grade students are 1:1 with Chromebooks.
- ❖ Third and Fourth grade students are 1:1 with 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, MacBook lab, iPods, and Senteos (electronic response devices) 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 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 March that supports students 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

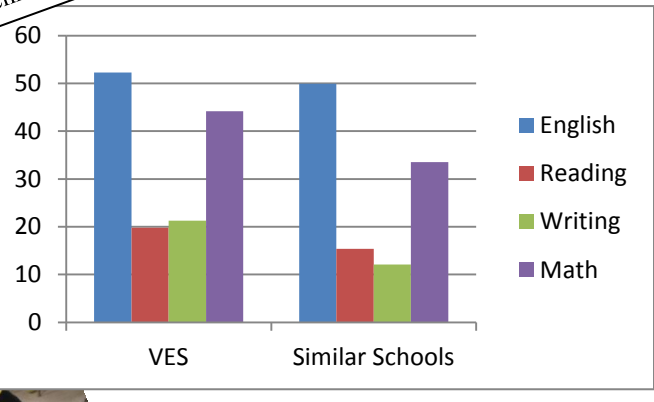
Kimberly Montgomery	Magon Wilson
Walter Lanier	Linda Mosley
Brian Williams	
Gloria Vasquez	
Jennifer Bufford	

2015-2016 Employees of the Year

Teacher of the Year: Holly Taylor
Rookie of the Year: Andrea Stowers
Non-Instructional Employee: Erin Pickens
Custodial Employee: Cassandra Cobb
Food Service Employee: Lyn Smith



2014-2015
ACT Readiness Test Results for Varemnes



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:

- + Sandra Goff-Math Consultant
- + Balanced Literacy with a focus on guided reading
- + SCIRA Conference
- + National Behavior Conference
- + Guided Math
- + Discipline Seminars with Larry Thompson
- + Summer Leadership
- + Debbie Jarrett-ETV/Technology



School Description

- VES opened in 1967.
- VES currently serves 364 students.
- Our yearly student attendance rate is 96.8% on our last state report card.
- Our yearly staff attendance rate is 93.4% on our last state report card.
- We have 32 full-time and 2 part-time certified staff members.
- We have 12 classified staff.
- VES is an intermediate elementary school. We serve grades three through five.
- State Report Card Rating: Average/Below Average

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

We have added 352 titles to our Media Center!

2015-2016
Spelling Bee
Winner:
Jacob Coe

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

Great things are going on at VES!

VES has 27 active Chorus and Step-Team Members!



