

## Awards

Arts in the Basic Curriculum Certification  
2006 to 2026

SC Purple Star School  
2021 to 2026

AVID Elementary Showcase School  
2018 to 2026

SIC Dick and Tunky Riley Award Finalist  
2009, 2010, 2020

The Leader in Me ® Lighthouse School  
2018, 2020

The Leader in Me ® Lighthouse School  
Academic Distinction and Honor Roll  
2018

SCASA South Carolina Palmetto's Finest  
2017

## Partnerships

Blythewood Presbyterian Church

The Village Church

Blythewood High School

U.S. Army Institute for Religious Leadership



## 2025 School Report Overview



### OVERALL RATING: Excellent

Academic Achievement: Excellent

Preparing for Success: Excellent

Multilingual Learners' Progress: Not Rated

Student Progress: Good

School Climate: Below Average

\*Visit <https://screportcards.com/> for additional details.



### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

English Language Arts: 77.2%

Mathematics: 75.3%

\* Percentage of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> grade students scoring Meets or Exceeds.

\*\* Science not rated due to implementation of new state standards



### TEACHER QUALITY

\*Certified Educators: 55

Classified Staff: 21

\*certified by the SC State Department of Education



### DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Student Enrollment: 580

African American: 266

White: 190

Hispanic/ Latino: 58

Two or More Races: 37

Asian: 28

American Indian/ Alaskan Native: 1

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: 0



*All Who Enter Learn to SOAR!*

# Round Top Elementary

Clarissa Vega Bennett, Principal



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# Annual Report to the Parents

## 3 Year SIC Priorities:

- Home-School Communication
- Community Outreach
- Attendance

## 2025–2026 SIC Goals

1. Increase community outreach by hosting at least 2 events to provide parents with education and resources to support their student's success.
2. Strengthen home-school communication by redesigning the parent-teacher conference experience to be more collaborative, personalized, and resource-focused.

### SOAR Strong

In partnership with the PTO's annual WingMan 5K, this wellness event provided families with valuable health and community resources that support student success. Families engaged in hands-on learning through basic life support and CPR demonstrations while also gaining access to information on diabetes prevention and management. Community partners shared additional support resources, helping to connect families with services that promote overall well-being.

### Clicks, Screens, & Family Routines

This virtual learning event provided parents with guidance on creating personalized family technology agreements designed to promote online safety and establish healthy screen habits. Practical strategies were shared to help balance digital use with daily routines and family expectations.

### Choose Your Own EdVenture

The SIC partnered with teachers to enhance parent-teacher conferences, creating a more consistent, personalized, and meaningful experience for families. A uniform agenda template was implemented to ensure continuity across grade levels and from year to year. Parent input surveys empowered families to select discussion topics that mattered most to them. In addition, individualized agendas were developed to thoughtfully address each student's unique strengths, needs, and goals.



## School Improvement Council

- Dr. LaCresha Mitchum, Parent/Chairperson
- Regina Williams, Parent/Secretary
- Joshua Cotton, Parent
- Krissy Alderman, Parent
- Michelle Gundlach, Teacher
- Mandey Collins, Teacher
- Bettina Henderson, Teacher
- Inger Brown, Community
- Dr. Jennifer Coleman, Community
- Linette Stephens, Community
- Dr. Pasquail Bates, Community
- Alison Whisenant, Ex-Officio/Assistant Principal
- Clarissa Bennett, Ex-Officio/Principal

## Parent Teacher Organization

- Lauren Banish, President
- Emily Kruger, Co-Vice President
- Nic Peterson, Co-Vice President
- Regina Williams, Secretary
- Lacey Hines, Volunteer Coordinator
- Jon Hines, Treasurer
- Kelly Varn, Director at Large

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