

# 2022-2023 New Prospect Elementary

*“Our mission is to educate and empower our students so they are prepared to reach their fullest potential.”*



## Report to Parents

This year has been an exciting year for New Prospect. We were able to bring back in person events and take our students back out into the community. Our goal in this post-pandemic season has been to re-engage our students, families, and community. We serve approximately 430 students in grades K4-6th.

### Accomplishments:

- Amy Ruff was named 2022-2023 Teacher of the Year
- Holly Rogers was named 2022-2023 Distinguished Reading Teacher
- Janice Carter was named Support Staff of the Year
- We funded a Math Coach/Math Interventionist position with Title 1 Funds and ATSI funds
- Mckensie Revels, Visual Art teacher, was awarded a \$500 PSTA grant for funding books about diversity and equity in the visual art classroom.
- Student art showcased at Chapman Cultural Center’s Fall Student Art Exhibition and Spring Youth Art Month Exhibitions, During our Living Masterpieces program at NPE, The Lodge at Lake Bowen (Spring Fine Arts Showcase) as well as at the Greer City Hall Fall Juried Art Exhibition.
  - CCC Fall Exhibition-4 students
  - CCC Spring Exhibition-4 students
  - Greer City Hall-6 students
  - Living Masterpieces- 23 students
  - Lodge at Lake Bowen-46 students
  - Winter Principal’s Art Gallery- 21 students
- NPE was awarded funding in the amount of \$ 17, 752 through the Distinguished Arts Program Grant (Mckensie Revels, Kellianne Floyd), \$12,500 (Mckensie Revels, Kellianne Floyd) in the ABC Advancement Grant (certified as an ABC School of Distinction through 2024)
- MUSE Machine Partnership exposed students to different art forms, such as storytelling, dance, and african folklore. We were able to return to LIVE performances
- NPE One Voice Honors Chorus and NPE Studio Art programs resumed during the 2022-2023 school year collectively enrolling 53 students.
- Our students presented the Disney musical *Aristocats Kids* for a collective audience of over 1,000 attendees. *We also received donations for future productions in the amount of approximately \$800.*
- We hosted our first-annual “Residency Week” in which every grade level hosted an artist in residence culminating with a day of Arts Showcases to exhibit for stakeholders, parents, and community members. (Funded with DAP grant)
- We received a new partnership and grant funding of \$50,000 (2023) to be continued with another funding amount of \$50,000 (2024) with ArtsNOW which provided 8 days of professional development integrating art in the content area of Math.
- We produced our 2nd annual copy of Prospects (Literary Art Magazine) which is distributed to all students at NPE.
- Dance students performed a Fall dance showcase at NPE in which all students performed (64 total students this year) (largest group of 6th graders ever enrolled.)

- 2nd annual Student Choreography Showcase October 2022
- 4th grade Dance performance at The Lodge at Lake Bowen Commons
- 21 out of 25 cast members in Aristocats were also GT Dance students.
- Orchestra(9) and band (17) enrolled higher numbers this year than we have in 3 years.
- Claws and Paws (Media Arts Team) produced 25 episodes to date that covered a variety of school events, student interests, and topics in current news.
- 3 NPE Teachers presented at the Palmetto State Arts Education Conference in October on topics such as Theatre Brain Breaks in the Classroom, Digital Portfolios, Student Choreography, and Focus Groups to Grow Confident Arts Educators.
- We have added a total of 118 books to our library circulation with ABC funds over the past 3 years and intend to continue growing our collection to support arts research and interest over the next three years in the areas of creative writing, visual art, and theater.
- We were awarded the Mathical Book Prize Collection Development Award based on a grant received by Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Seymour, and Ms. Switzer. We received \$700 to purchase math books for teachers to use with their math lessons.
- Ms. Switzer developed a partnership with the STEM Program and received grant-funded training and math coaching for 9 teachers within District One. Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Seymour, and Mrs. Switzer all participated in trainings , mathematical coaching opportunities, and in hands-on learning implementation.

#### Major Priorities:

#### NPE teachers and administrators will:

- Continue school-wide integration of the arts throughout all content areas.
- Continue to seek community organizations to display children's art work.
- Utilize i-Ready data to help ensure student growth and learning
- Practice, implement, and reflect on strategies to ensure the academic success of each child. This includes academic and social emotional strategies.
- Continue to focus on instructional best practices.
- Use data from informal and formal assessments to inform instruction
- Continue to seek community organizations to display children's art work .
- Provide differentiated professional development opportunities through Grade Level Meetings, and D1 PD.
- Work closely with the School Improvement Council.
- Continue to differentiate instruction through Readers andWriters Workshop
- Continue to differentiate instruction in Math Workshop
- Continue to integrate effective instructional technology in all grade levels.

New Prospect is committed to providing high quality educational experiences for all students of diverse backgrounds,talents, and interests.We strive to meet the needs of all students each and every day

