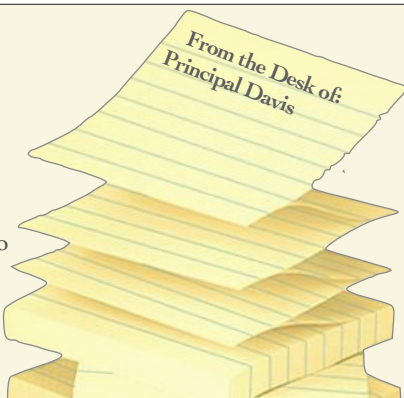


Everywhere I go, I always hear the positive buzz from the community about our school. I am so proud to be a part of the Brushy Creek family. I want to thank you



for your support and participation in our school activities and events this year. We all deeply appreciate your commitment and support of our school as we continue to "Build a Community of Excellence One Student at a Time".

Our year at Brushy Creek Elementary has been awesome, and your help has contributed to making this year a huge success. As we end this school year and look forward to the next, we will continue to invest in the future of your children by providing them with a high quality, rigorous education.

Charles T. Davis, Jr.

AWARDS

- 🏆 National Blue Ribbon Winner
- 🏆 South Carolina Blue Ribbon Award
- 🏆 Palmetto's Finest Winner – 1996
- 🏆 4-Time Palmetto Gold Winner
- 🏆 Red Carpet Award – 2001, 2008-11
- 🏆 National PTA School of Excellence for Parent Involvement – 2003, 2007
- 🏆 Exemplary Writing Program Hall of Fame – 1994-2001
- 🏆 Exemplary Reading Program Award – 1994
- 🏆 Exemplary Writing Program Award – 1992-93
- 🏆 Palmetto's Finest Finalist 2012
- 🏆 Riley School Improvement Award Finalist – 2013



OUR MISSION

The mission of Brushy Creek Elementary is to provide educational opportunities for children to acquire the skills necessary to empower them to become confident, life-long learners in an ever-changing global, technological society.

BRUSHY CREEK

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*"Building a Community of Excellence
One Student at a Time!"*



Report to the Community

2012-2013

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A History of Excellence

Brushy Creek Elementary School has a long history of excellence in education, care, and concern for students and a strong involvement within the community. The first Brushy Creek School building was built in 1916. Then, as today, the families of students at Brushy Creek were intent on securing the best education possible for their children. By working closely with the school's administration, Greenville County district officials, Parent/Teacher Association (PTA), and community volunteers, Brushy Creek has been successful in maintaining the standard of excellence of the past, while working to secure that standard for future generations to come.



A Purposeful Present

Resolved: To give an annual report to our community concerning Brushy Creek's progress toward its goals and objectives, as outlined in our strategic plan and as aligned with the Education Plan of the School District of Greenville County.

Goal #1: Raise the academic challenge and performance of each student

Specific objectives:

- Increase the percentage of all students in grades 3-5 meeting standard in math on PASS (Palmetto Assessment of State Standards) to 91.8%
- Increase the percentage of all students in grades 3-5 meeting standard in reading on PASS to 92.1%

Goal #2: Ensure quality personnel in all positions

Goal #3: Provide a school environment supportive of learning

Goal #4: Effectively manage and further develop necessary financial resources

Goal #5: Improve public understanding and support of public schools



A Record of Results

The South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS) tests measure student performance on the South Carolina academic standards. Student score percentages are based on three levels: Exemplary, Met, and Not-Met. Below are 2011-2012 test results:

GRADE 3 SCORES

| | NOT MET | MET | EXEMPLARY | M+E |
|------|---------|-------|-----------|-------|
| ELA | 13.6% | 14.4% | 72.0% | 86.4% |
| MATH | 17.9% | 21.0% | 61.1% | 82.1% |

GRADE 4 SCORES

| | NOT MET | MET | EXEMPLARY | M+E |
|------|---------|-------|-----------|-------|
| ELA | 11.7% | 26.7% | 61.7% | 88.3% |
| MATH | 10.7% | 27.0% | 62.3% | 89.3% |

GRADE 5 SCORES

| | NOT MET | MET | EXEMPLARY | M+E |
|---------|---------|-------|-----------|-------|
| WRITING | 10.1% | 32.4% | 50.6% | 89.9% |
| ELA | 8.6% | 26.6% | 64.7% | 91.4% |
| MATH | 6.5% | 22.3% | 71.2% | 93.5% |



A Focus for the Future

We anticipate that our students will continue to make gains with each administration of PASS. To achieve this goal, the school's academic focus, this year, has included the following:

- Using classroom assessment data to make instructional decisions
- Implementation of components of the Badridge model for continuous improvement
- Reading comprehension
- Math facts fluency
- Increasing the rigor of assignments
- Providing individualized assistance based on Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) and PASS data



Educational Enrichments

During the past year, Brushy Creek has been able to educate our students, not only through academics, but through the following special programs:

- WOOF Club
- Brushy Creek News Network
- Scholastic Reading Counts
- Running Club
- R.T.I. Reading Program
- Student Honor Roll
- Honors Chorus
- Math Facts Superstars
- Book Buddies
- LEGO Club
- Student Council
- Battle of the Books
- Science Fair
- Chick-fil-A STAR Student Character Education Program
- Terrific Kids Program
- 2 Computer Labs
- Promethean Boards in every classroom



Community Connection

The participation and contribution of our community representatives and parents have been of inestimable value to our continued success.

2012-2013 SIC Chair Rick Arboscello
2012-2013 Parent/Teacher Association Presidents
 Angela Murphy Abbie Standridge

SIC Members

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| Carolyn Brightharp | James Ridgill |
| Wes Florence | Dale Russell |
| Roopa Giridhar | Gaie Perez |
| Barry Horst | Susan Smith |
| Taki Johnson | Jocelyn Thomas |
| Jan D. Griffin | Alice Upchurch |
| Charles T. Davis, Jr. | Terese Watson |
| Jessica Hutcheson | Sadie Kellermyer |
| Candace McCard | Tina Bonadies |

A special thank-you to all of the PTA members for their tireless work with volunteer service hours of over 15,000 on the following programs:

- American Education Week
- Family Clay Night
- Fabulous Fair Night
- Holiday Boutique
- Fall Carnival
- Science Fun Day
- Boosterthon
- Green Week at the Creek
- Paper Reduction Project
- Teacher Appreciation Breakfasts/Luncheons
- Mentors & Tutors
- Veteran's Day Program