

Washington Center Seagull Express



Washington Center celebrates the end of another year of accomplishments and progress. This issue of *Seagull Express* highlights our students who will receive Certificates of Completion this school year. On Wednesday, June 4 at 9:30 AM, we will proudly honor our six graduates, listed on page 4. Also recognized during the program are the recipients of our highest honors, Seagull Awards. A reception for the graduates and their families follows the ceremony.

We applaud our supportive parents who worked with us to bring about this productive year. Our dedicated PTA has been generous in providing funds to help our programs continue, and the school year ended on a spectacular note with exciting events such as Special Olympics, Walk and Roll, Craft and Community Days. Note that next school year starts with the annual Meet Your Teacher Afternoon Friday, August 15, 1:00-3:00. The first school day for students is Tuesday, August 19.

Dates to Remember

- June 4-6 Half Days for Students (dismissal at noon)
- June 4 Graduation/Awards Day
- June 6 Last Student Day
- August 15 Meet Your Teacher Afternoon, 1-3
- August 19 First Student Day



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dr. Penny Rogers

I think one of the best things about working in schools is that every year we have an ending in the spring and a new beginning in the fall. That way we have a moment in between to think about what has gone well and about what we might do better the next time. We find ourselves in just that position right now, and I can tell you that we are already busy and excited about the school year that will begin in August, while at the same time we are planning a big send off for our 2014 graduates.

This has been a very fast six months for me, and I cannot say enough about how impressed I have been with the Washington Center students, staff and parents. The encouragement and kind words sent my way have truly eased a mid-year transition into the school; and I, like everyone here, never fail to feel grateful for the opportunity I have to work with and get to know our precious students. At graduation, the choir will sing the Alabama song, "Angels among Us," a perfect description for Washington Center.

I hope everyone has big plans for the break, even if the big plans just include relaxing a little. Linda Hill, Syble Hendricks and I will be at school through the summer, so if we are needed, just give us a call. Take care; stay safe; and, we will be looking forward to getting started again in August.

Happy Summer Vacation!

From Our PTA Presidents

Jane Hart and Karen Grindstaff

Dear Families and Friends of Washington Center,

As this school year comes to a close, the Washington Center PTA would like to THANK EVERYONE for their continuing support of our PTA. This year has been one of many changes; and we are extremely happy to be ending this year positively.

This year's Walk and Roll was a HUGE success – the weather was perfect and the participation by our students and their families was heart-warming. This fundraiser is the PTA's biggest item and with it, we are able to fund other various school needs through the year; such as, classroom field trips, therapeutic equipment for students needs; and Staff Appreciation Week. A Big Thank You to the American Advertising Federation of Greenville, Brookwood Church, and the many sponsors and volunteers that helped to make this day run smoothly.

The PTA would like to welcome 3 new members to the Board – Valerie Allen, Susie Robison and Christian Morgan. The PTA would also like to welcome back Sandy McDowell.

2014 – 2015 Washington Center PTA Executive Board:

President:	Sarah Jane Tollison
Co-Vice Presidents:	Carla Burkhardt and Karen Grindstaff
Secretary:	Michelle Richey
Treasurer:	Valerie Allen

The PTA wants everyone to know of the many opportunities to volunteer at our school and we encourage your participation. Contact your child's teacher for information.

From the Washington Center PTA, we want to wish you all a safe and relaxing summer.

See you in August



Washington Center Graduates

The Greenville County School District recognizes and congratulates the following graduating students who will receive a 2014 Certificate of Completion:



Paul Lynn Barnette



Britney Dionne Herbert



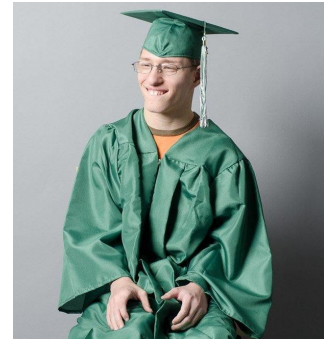
Jonathan Douglas Saunders



Faith Nitrice Williams



Tristan Anthony Wright



Michael Aaron Zudonyi

District News for 2014-2015

Calendar:

The 2014-2015 calendar for Greenville County Schools has been released with a start date of Tuesday, August 19 for all students. The calendar is posted on the district website:

www.greenville.k12.sc.us

Washington Center student school hours are 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM.
Students are received beginning at 7:30 AM.

End of Year Fun

