

Oakview Elementary Honors and Awards 2008-2009

EARTH SAVERS ACCEPT AWARD

Members of the Earth Savers Club stand with their advisors, Christina Emmons and Kathy Miller, outside the SC State Museum. They display the certificate they received at the Champions of the Environment Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 30th. They also received \$500 to purchase insulated fabric bags for their Kick the Bag Habit project.

OAKVIEW PTA WINS!

Kelly Yanity is the South Carolina Volunteer of the Year! In addition, Oakview won 1st place for the Excellence in Family and Community Involvement Award. Congratulations to the SE Council PTA for being the Outstanding Council of the Year. Oakview PTA also won awards for:

Platinum (highest level) Palmetto Award for Membership Recognition Program

Platinum Oak Leaf Award for Goals Recognition Program

Top 10 Membership in the State for Number of Members

Finalist in Excellence in Enrichment Programs

Finalist in Excellence in Legislative Advocacy

Finalist in Outstanding Local Unit

PALMETTO GOLD AWARD

The South Carolina Education Oversight Committee has awarded Oakview Elementary it's eighth consecutive Palmetto Gold Award! This prestigious honor recognizes our school for outstanding test score performance on PACT and comes with a monetary award of over \$13,345! Thank you to all of our students for their hard work, our faculty for setting high standards in the classroom, our parents for their countless hours of volunteering and support from home, and our school community for their strong endorsement of what we do.

OAKVIEW WINS EARTH DAY AWARD

Oakview was the Innovation Award winner in South Carolina DHEC's Earth Day contest. Kathy Miller and Christina Emmons accepted the award for our Kick the Bag Habit project. Over 300 Oakview families participated in the project whose goal was to help the environment by using fabric rather than plastic grocery bags. Using fabric bags saves oil and energy. It reduces pollution, litter, and animal deaths due to litter. It also saves YOU money!

CHAMPIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENT AWARD

Congratulations, Oakview! Our school has been selected as a Champion of the Environment for Kick the Bag Habit, part 2. As a Champion of the Environment, we join the ranks of South Carolina's students and teachers who have been awarded for their outstanding environmental efforts. Thank you to all of our students, staff and parents for doing your part for South Carolina's environment! The Champions' Partnership commends you for pursuing actions that promote environmental stewardship in our state's youth, and educate communities about the environment.

OAKVIEW WINS ATTENDANCE BLITZ!

Attendance Services sponsored the 11th Annual "Attendance Blitz" competition between schools. This year's contest was conducted during August 19, 2008 to January 15, 2009. A total of sixty-nine schools participated in the event. Oakview had the highest attendance percentage increase at .41% increase compared to last year's student attendance for the same time period.