

**Elementary Achievements**

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SCHOOL YEAR	Palmetto Gold and Silver Program	
	General Performance	Closing the Achievement Gap
2013 <a href="#">2014</a>	GOLD	
2012 <a href="#">2013</a>	GOLD	
2011 <a href="#">2012</a>	GOLD	
2010 <a href="#">2011</a>	GOLD	SILVER
2009 <a href="#">2010</a>	<a href="#">GOLD</a>	<a href="#">SILVER</a>
2008 <a href="#">2009</a>	GOLD	GOLD
2007 <a href="#">2008</a>	SILVER	
2006 <a href="#">2007</a>	SILVER	
2005 <a href="#">2006</a>	GOLD	
2004 <a href="#">2005</a>	GOLD	
2003 <a href="#">2004</a>	GOLD	
2002 <a href="#">2003</a>	GOLD	

STATE REPORT CARD			ESEA	
Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	SCHOOL YEAR		
Excellent	Good	<a href="#">2014</a>	<a href="#">A</a>	<a href="#">92.4</a>
Excellent	Good	<a href="#">2013</a>	<a href="#">C</a>	<a href="#">75.1</a>
Excellent	Excellent	<a href="#">2012</a>	<a href="#">B</a>	84.2
Excellent	Excellent	<a href="#">2011</a>		
Excellent	Excellent	<a href="#">2010</a>		
Excellent	Excellent	<a href="#">2009</a>		
Excellent	Good	<a href="#">2008</a>		
Good	Average	<a href="#">2007</a>		
Good	Good	<a href="#">2006</a>		



**Forest Acres  
Elementary**

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**Working Together To Build  
Foundations of  
Academic  
Excellence**

**Mission Statement**

*The mission of Forest Acres Elementary School, in cooperation with the home and community, is to develop compassionate, lifelong learners by providing an educational environment that challenges all students.*



**2014-15 SIC Report to Parents**

*A Habitat for Learning*

*A Closer Look at the  
Programs and  
Activities Available to  
Forest Acres Students!*



## Recognitions, Activities and Experiences Shared at Forest Acres

- 2013-14 Teacher of the Year – *Kim Wilson*
- 2013-14 Support Employee of the Year – *Sandy Shelton*
- After School Program
- “Awesome” Celebration Monthly in Kindergarten
- Field Trips:
  - All Around Easley
  - Apple Orchard
  - Brooks Center Field Trips
  - Children’s Museum
  - Greenville Zoo
  - Columbia Zoo
  - May-Lan Tree Plantation
  - Peace Center
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Columbia State House
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Jones Gap
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Thunderbird
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Tybee Island



- Canned Food Drive
- Character Education through Core Essentials Program
- Chorus: 2 students SC Honors Chorus
- Civic Responsibility Club
- 2 Computer Labs
- Diamond Del Rocks & Minerals Dig
- Dr. Seuss Day
- Duke Energy Art Exhibit
- Field Days for All Grades



- 5th Grade Celebration Day
- Gifted Education- Quest
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Cherokee, NC
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Earthshine at Lake Toxaway, NC
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Charleston, SC
- Good News Club
- Governor’s Writing Contest
- Jump Rope for Heart
- 100<sup>th</sup>Day of School Celebrations
- Media Center Events:
  - Books and Bricks
  - Book Fair
  - I Love Books Week
  - Spooky Nights in the Library
  - Wolf Tales in the library



- Music in our Schools Month
- SDPC Elementary Music Festival
- Panther Pals
- PTO Activities:
  - Artist In Residency Program
  - Boosterthon Character Building / Fundraiser
  - Elf Shelf
  - Family Movie Night
  - Grandparents Night
  - Restaurant Nights



- Red Ribbon Week
- Safety Patrol
- Science Fair
- Spirit Days
- Student Council
- STEM Education offered weekly in separate STEM lab

- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Trash Bash
- VUroom – iPad Pilot Program in 4<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Youth Arts Month Exhibit at the Pickens County Museum
- 2014 “[A World in Motion](#)” [JetToy Challenge](#)
  - 1st Place, 3rd Place - County
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place County team placed 6th in Region
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place County team placed 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Accuracy and Sportsmanship at DETROIT International Competition out of 152 teams

## School Improvement Council

The **School Improvement Council** strives to support the school through interactions between school and home/parents, to offer information regarding current needs/ strengths/weakness of the school as a whole, to survey parents about how to improve existing conditions, to keep parents informed of current budget and legislative issues, and to support the PTO in current endeavors.

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