



BEAUFORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Home of the Seadogs

110 Carraway Drive ~ Beaufort, NC 28516 ~ (252) 728-3316

Charity Clemmons, Principal

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

I hope the school year is off to a successful start for you and your child. I am writing this letter to let you know that Beaufort Elementary School has been designated as a Targeted Support & Improvement Additional Targeted Support (TSI-AT) school by the North Carolina State Board of Education. Per ESSA Section 1111(d)(2), schools are identified as TSI-AT schools in North Carolina because one or more of the following subgroups received a subgroup performance grade score at or below the highest identified CSI-LP school's All Students group during the identification year; and is on the TSI-CU list for the subgroup(s) for the previous year. Subgroup performance scores are provided for the following subgroups: (1) Students with Disabilities, (2) Economically Disadvantaged, (3) Black, (4) White, (5) Hispanic, (6) Asian-Pacific Islander, (7) Multi-racial, and (8) English Learners. This letter is to notify our parents and guardians of Beaufort Elementary School intentions to improve educational outcomes for underperforming student subgroups and close achievement gaps for all students.

As a TSI-AT (ATSI) school, Beaufort Elementary School is required to develop an Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) plan that specifically addresses how the school will improve outcomes for underperforming subgroups. The plan will also include strategies that our district or charter will employ to support Beaufort Elementary School's improvement efforts. The ATSI plan will address the following areas (*select applicable areas and remove the remaining areas*):

- Classroom Management
- Standards-aligned Instruction
- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)
- Instructional Leadership
- Recruitment & Retention of Effective Teachers
- Support for Grade-to-Grade Transitions
- Implementation of a Tiered Instructional System
- Data-Driven Decision Making
- Student Support Service

We have set the following goals for Beaufort Elementary School this year:

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- **Goal 1:** BES will promote physical, social, and emotional safety in all learning environments. We will decrease the number of office referrals by 5% based on a total of 340 Office Referrals measured by Educator's Handbook.
- **Goal 2:** BES will plan rigorous instruction based on the aligned and expanded curriculum by increasing the overall proficiency score of the school from 60.2% to 65% (4%).
- **Goal 3:** BES will increase proficiency by utilizing vertical planning that is consistent, intentional, and is on-going to support student transitions for grade-to-grade and level-to-level.
- **Goal 4:** BES will increase gains of SWD students by implementing instructional practices gained from LETRS training. The SWD subgroup will increase proficiency by 15% in Reading and Math.

Here are some strategies that we will be implementing to improve student outcomes:

- K-3 teachers will implement Foundations with fidelity.
- K-2 Teachers will implement Haggerty with fidelity.
- 100% of Staff will implement the Positivity Project which is our school-wide Social Emotional Curriculum.
- Teachers and Curriculum Specialists will differentiate their response to instruction based on individual student performance on weekly assessments and check-in's.
- Vertical Alignment planning and discussion will be integrated in our PLC's.
- All subgroups including SWD will be exposed to Depth of Knowledge 4-5 for learning activities and learning outcomes.

Also, parent engagement is at the heart of our school improvement efforts. Here are some ways we can work together:

- Ensure that both you and your child know the academic expectations set for your child this school year. A list of learning objectives in student-friendly language is available from your student's teacher(s).
- Call 252-728-3316 and contact Mrs. Clemmons if you have questions or concerns about your student or to set up an appointment to meet with a school staff member who will be working with your child.
- Make sure that your child is prepared and attends school each day.



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- Monitor your child's homework.
- Monitor the progress your child is making and attend meetings with your child's teacher(s).
- Keep track of our website and social media sites <https://bes.cartercountyschools.org/>.
- Volunteer.
- Join the Parent Teacher Organization

Additionally, listed below are a few resources available to help: (Beaufort Elementary School 252-728-3316)

- Graduation requirements: www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/
- K-12 standards in academic subjects: www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/
- State student achievement test results: www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/
- N.C. School Report Cards: <https://ncreportcards.ondemand.sas.com/src>

We are committed to improving student performance. It is important to remember that just as no single score or grade tells the whole story of a student, neither does it tell you everything about a school's performance or the opportunities that our school provides. The intent of receiving these designations is to improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps, increase equity, and improve the quality of instruction. We're excited about this school year and are working to make it a success for your child. Already, we have:

- 70% composite and growth outcome scores 28% growth from Beginning of the Year to the End of the Year in MCLASS (Grades K-3).
- Third Grade Reading Scores were at 71% proficient along with strong MAZE scores.
- Fastbridge (EOY) Automath percentages were at 80% for all grade levels.
- Third Grade Math EOG proficiency was 85% and 5th Grade proficiency score was 79%. The AIG subgroup exceeded growth in 5th Grade.
- Fifth Grade Science proficiency was 74% and growth was 76.4%.
- Implementation of a School Wide Character Education Program: Positivity Project

If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact Charity Clemmons charity.clemmons@carterek12.org or 252-728-3316.