

## What is the School Improvement Council?

The School Improvement Council (SIC) is an advisory committee of parents, teachers, administrators, and community members. The purpose of the committee is to work collectively as stakeholders in the community to improve all areas of student achievement at Red Cedar Elementary School.

### The Role of the SIC:

- Participate in the development of the five year School Improvement Plan.
- Assist in the implementation of the plan and evaluating progress.
- Write the Annual Report to the Parents about the progress of the school in achieving the objectives of the plan.
- Serve as liaison between the school, community, and school board members.

### RCES 18-19 SIC Goals

- Increase and retain community involvement in school-based decisions by incorporating internal and existing "Business Spotlights" at each School Improvement Council meeting in order to create strong connections between community and school.
- Communicate to parents the technology resources, applications, and programs available to Red Cedar students in order to enhance parent understanding and support of technology usage.
- Formulate a plan to recognize staff accomplishments throughout the school year in order to enhance/maintain morale.

This report is issued by Red Cedar Elementary's School Improvement Council, in accordance with South Carolina state law, to communicate the school's progress in achieving the goals and objectives set forth in the five year plan. We also hope to highlight the many other achievements and accomplishments attained throughout the year.



Palmetto's Finest 2015

**Character Ed  
Students of the Month:**  
James Cortes, Addison Bausher,  
Frankie Hysell, Peityn Porreca, Carlos  
Brito, Ayla Roberts, Valeria Ramirez  
Martinez

### School Improvement Council

Emalee Baker, Chair  
Sarah Michael, Secretary  
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Cynthia Laizer, Assistant Principal  
Kelly Wersler, Parent  
Ashley Feaster, Parent  
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Rachel Mullen, Parent  
Josh Simpson, Community  
Rosemary Carpenter, Community  
Jessica Stabler, Teacher  
Stacy Grey, Teacher  
Rebecca Hannahs, Teacher  
Rebecca Himes, Teacher  
Leanne Black, Teacher  
Nathan Goff, Teacher  
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# Red Cedar Elementary School

## Annual Report to the Parents 2018-2019



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## Dear Foxes,

Ten years, Foxes! Can you believe it? Red Cedar Elementary continues to grow all students, as evidenced by scoring Good on the State Report Card and doing “Whatever It Takes.” Project Based Learning (PBL) leads the way for students to apply standards-based knowledge while solving real-world problems.

A focus on Science Technology Engineering & Math (STEM) incorporation across the curriculum is a strength at Red Cedar. Technology happens naturally each day as students are 1:1 with devices and classrooms are equipped with Promethean Boards and proper sound systems. Green Screens and numerous applications round out the technology offerings to students to use in presentations and during collaborative projects.

Red Cedar teachers participate in weekly development via professional learning communities. RCES teachers are also collaborating to earn Read to Succeed Endorsements per Read to Succeed Act 284 regulations.

Join our SIC! We would love to have more community members and parents join as we work to make RCES the best it can be!



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Red Cedar Elementary Foxes

## Red Cedar does Whatever It Takes!



Teacher of the Year: Emily Brayshaw (18-19)  New TOY—TBD	Support Staff Member of the Year: Teresa Ball
Music Bridges Partnership with Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra	Over 350 runners participated in the 9th Annual Foxes Trot 5K
Bluffton Rotary Club 5th Grade Student of the Month Recipients	CB2 Magazine cover story showcasing RCE Foxes in “Future of the Free Press”
5th Grade overnight field trip to Camp Bob Cooper	PTO Spirit Nights monthly supporting Foxes and local busi- nesses
Lucy Calkins Reading Units training provid- ed to staff by The Teacher’s College	100% of our staff are SIOP trained (Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol)

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**Vision Statement:** We will do whatever it takes to ensure all students find success.

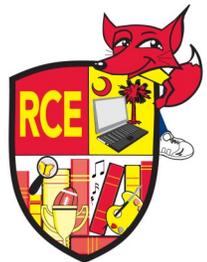
**Mission Statement:** We empower our students to be life-long learners, innovative thinkers, and citizens of good character in an ever changing world.

**Clubs:** Art, Foxes Sing, Craft, Cursive, Dance Ensemble, Drum & Dance, First Tee, Planeteers, RAKtivists, Robotics, Running, Sports, Foxes Jam

**Community:** Coastal Empire Mental Health, Luekemia & Lymphoma Society, lending libraries, Backpack Buddies, Happy Feet, Ronald McDonald dental mobile, South State Bank student banking, Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra, student teachers

**Volunteers:** United Way, Red Cedar Gazette, WIT, Lions Club, Teacher Cadets, Belfair Golfers, Rotary Club

**Extras:**  
Fox Tales Literary Magazine,  
monthly spirit nights,  
Foxes Til 5, La Lectura



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