

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our School Renewal Planning Team meets several times a year to discuss test data, along with other sources of information which will direct the compilation of the School Renewal Plan and our report to the public. We are actively committed to the mission of Manchester Elementary School. When the school environment is positive, and when parents are involved in their children's education, students benefit academically. Manchester is growing readers and writers who are prepared to learn and meet the challenges of each day. We strive to encourage parental involvement through various presentations, workshops and other special events.

Teachers encourage critical thinking skills through a variety of problem solving activities. Test data is used to guide instruction that will increase student achievement by remediating weak areas. We proudly offer a computer lab program, parenting workshops, and academic intervention programs. Manchester works to develop good citizenship through community outreach. We are proud to be a Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) school and we implement OLWEUS Anti-Bullying strategies.

All staff members are working toward a literacy endorsement. We are focusing our efforts to increase literacy development through leadership, positive student outcomes, professional development, and parent involvement.

Our students learn by serving others through service learning initiatives such as My Community and Me, Shower Shaw with Cookies, Career Fair, and the SPCA animal fund. Our philanthropic efforts include the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life, Pennies for Patients, and the American Heart Association. We will continue to utilize research, involve our parents and community members, and focus on appropriate academic planning and instruction to improve the achievement of each child attending Manchester Elementary. The doors of Manchester are always open for students, their parents, and our community. We look forward to your continued support as our school year progresses.

Joan Tye, Principal

Kimberly Avins  
School Improvement Council Chairperson

Principal ..... Dr. Joan Tye  
Assistant Principal..... Jackqueline Thomas  
Reading Coach.....Dr. Donna Geddings  
Curriculum Coordinator .....Tina Shaw  
Counselor.....Melissa McBride  
SIC Chairperson ..... Kimberly Avins  
Teacher of the Year .....Jennifer Geddings

### Our Beliefs

- We are committed to excellence.
- We will set high standards for our students.
- We will be accountable and responsive to the needs of our students.
- We will educate the whole child.
- We will provide a safe learning environment that is conducive to learning.
- We will value collaboration

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## Manchester Elementary School 2015-2016 Report to Parents



**The mission of  
Manchester  
Elementary School is  
to prepare today's  
children for  
tomorrow's  
challenges.**

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## School Improvement Council

Principal.....Dr. Joan Tye  
Chairperson.....Kimberly Avins  
Parent.....Jennifer Geddings  
Community Member.....Kimberly Avins  
Parent.....Melissa McBride  
Staff .....Kendall Jones  
Staff.....Erica Madsen  
Staff.....Lisa Coffell  
Staff.....Brenda Ratliff  
Assistant Principal.....Jackie Thomas

## Accomplishments and Awards

Advanced Accredited  
Back to School Fair  
Balanced Literacy Initiatives  
School Assembly Programs  
Career Fair, Chorus, and Fall Festival  
Grade Level Planning and Staff Development  
Hands-on Science (FOSS)  
Heart Association and Relay for Life Fundraisers  
Pennies for Patients (Leukemia and Lymphoma)  
Parent Teacher Association  
DARE  
Red Ribbon Week and Drug Awareness Week  
Science Fair  
Shower Shaw with Cookies  
Pinewood Christmas Parade  
PTA Reflections -Student Winners  
PBIS Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies  
Olweus Anti-Bullying Program

## Summary of Needs Assessment

During our recent school renewal process, our school and community representatives agreed that Manchester Elementary School should continue to focus on student achievement, literacy improvement, and school climate.

We will continue to focus on the areas of reading and literacy improvement through multi-tier systems of support and instructional strategies. We are addressing individual student growth goals.

Our council also hopes to focus on building strong relationships between our school and the community through partnerships and activities such as gardening and recycling projects.

Our instructional strategies and activities, school-wide benchmarks, measures of academic progress, and professional staff development are all an integral part of our initiative to increase student proficiency in all areas on our State assessments.

Manchester is a proud school of excellence and we will continue to move forward through analysis of data and differentiated learning.

**2016-2017**

**Teacher of the Year  
Jennifer Geddings**

