

Whale Branch Middle School  
School Counselor's Newsletter  
September

## Welcome New Teachers



From left: R. McCauley, K. Burns, R. Lanham, K. Wyant, A. Demarco, R. Wallace, Back Row: J. Kaleita, S. Johnson, A. Mennett, and K. Miles. **Not Pictured:** E. Harding and E. Brugger

## Upcoming Events

**September 12**

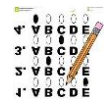
Fall Tailgate College Fair  
Kmart Parking Lot 11a-4p

**September 14**

PTO Meeting @ WBES  
5:30pm

**September 16**

Progress Reports



**October 21**

PSAT/NMSQT Testing

Visit our school webpage at  
[wbm.beaufort.k12.sc.us](http://wbm.beaufort.k12.sc.us)



Naviance is a comprehensive college and career readiness website for middle and high school students from grades 6-8. Students and their families can begin using this new interactive and comprehensive resource now. Call the School Counselor for more information.



WBMS has new courses for the 2015-2016 school year. Fifth grade students will transition through all Related Arts courses like previously done in elementary. Students in grades 6-8 may choose between Spanish or Dance as part of our new *School Choice* and *Arts Infused* courses as well as Gateway Energy & the Environment, a Project Lead the Way course. Students in grades 7-8 may also choose between our Project Lead the Way courses; Gateway Automation & Robotics and Gateway Design & Modeling.



**Parents, school begins promptly at 7:25. Students will be marked Tardy after 7:25. Remember, 3 Tardies = 1 Unexcused Absent.**

**School Uniforms:**  
**Tops: White, Royal Blue and Black**  
**Bottoms: Khaki, Navy Blue and Black**

**Don't forget your Belt!!**



**Parents, be sure to update your child's Immunization Record yearly or as directed by your Pysician.**

The PSAT/NMSQT test will be administered on Wednesday, October 21, 2015. Identified 8<sup>th</sup> graders will have the opportunity to qualify for the South Carolina Junior Scholars Program. Below, Angelia Engermann, congratulated by her mother, was recognized as a SC Junior Scholar through the recent ACT Aspire Test. Engermann will be recognized in a local award ceremony.

*Congratulations!*



Beginning this school year, Beaufort County School District will identify students with Good Character. Students will be nominated each month by teachers and staff and one student will be chosen. Each school will then nominate their student to the school district office for a district wide recognition.



Mrs. Wheeler, WBM Art Teacher, is collecting bottle caps until the end of September. Caps will be used for an art project later this year.

## Most Club is back! New this year is Women Inspiring Strength & Empowerment (WISE).

Both clubs foster positive social skills along with conflict management and encourages students to express themselves through their individual choices.



District issued Dell Tablets will be distributed **September 8<sup>th</sup>**. Parents and students need to complete the *“Connect 2 Learn Mobile Device Form.”*



SCPASS and ACT Aspire scores mailed home recently.

