School Characteristics and Replicable Practices

Academic Excellence
- Data Analysis: PASS and MAP
- Jump Start
- Step Up to Sixth
- School Blog
- Connect-Ed
- Home Visits
- Personalization of educational options: 1:2:1 Computing, AVID, reading and math enrichment, community meetings, and lifeskills
- Counselor classroom lessons
- Admin walkthroughs
• Positive relationships with families: muffins for mom, donuts for dad, character counts breakfast, grandparents’ day, Honor Roll Parades, Parent University, Charger Pride – BMS’ own afterschool program
• ELA: Six Trait Writing, Junior Great Books, Super Seven, Accelerated Reader, Differentiated Instruction, Classworks
• Math: Terrific Six, Classworks, Graphing Calculators, CPS
• Science: FOSS kits, GEMS, AIMS, Jason Project, USC partnership, USA TestPrep
• SS: USA TestPrep, empowered to become active, self-directed, responsible citizens who appreciate diversity and participate in an ever-changing global society. Process standards
• Charger Zone – After School tutorial program
• Club Thursdays
• School-wide Focus Teams based on school-wide initiatives and School Renewal Plan

**Developmental Responsiveness**

• Hand scheduled based on need/interest
• 3 houses with separate schedules: Seven small learning teams campus wide
• Separate location for each house
• Student choice
• Campus wide technology: 24 Hour 1:TWO:1 Chromebook Computing
• Community Day
• 6th grade administrator visits to feeder schools
• Visit to 8th grade students and staff from feeder high schools
• Orientation and Charger Kick-off
• Lifeskills: The Blythewood Way, B.O.L.T. – Blythewood’s Own Lifeskill Training Program
• Curriculum Maps
• Career Development Facilitator: Career Cluster Education
• School Resource Officer - DARE
• Service Projects
• Parent surveys, PTO, SIC, Health Council, Ed Foundation

**Social Equity**

• Development of whole child
• Exploratory and experiential learning
• Direct instruction
• Itinerant services
• Inclusion
• ESOL
• Heterogeneous grouping
• Mainstreaming of SPED
• Band, Chorus, Orchestra
• Electrifying News
• Yearbook, Newspaper, and anthology publications
• Clubs and Activities
• Boys and Girls Club
• Girls Empowered
• Grade level field trips
• Parent University
• ROSES
• Teams assess students in need be it academic, social, or survival.

**Organizational Support**

• SACS Report
• School Renewal Plan/Annual Report
• Data Driven
• Shared Leadership (leadership team)
• Walk-throughs
• Outside Consultants-IPA visit
• Staff Development: Common Core, Differentiated Instruction, Project Based Learning
• 90 minutes of planning - common planning
• Teacher membership and leadership in professional organizations
• Professional Development school with University of South Carolina
• Columbia College Alliance Network