

# Blanchard Elementary School

Columbus, GA

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School Website: <http://sites.muscogee.k12.ga.us/blanchard/>

## PBIS

At Blanchard Elementary School:  
**We are Respectful.**  
**We are Responsible.**  
**We are Safe.**

Dear Parents,  
Happy New Year!!! I hope you enjoyed the winter break with your family. We completed the first semester of the school year. It has been exciting and such a great experience for us. Blanchard Elementary School is a hidden secret in our community due to its warm and inviting spirit.

Congratulations to our Spelling Bee Finalists! The winner of the Spelling Bee was fourth-grader, Edward Boughner. The runner up was fifth grader, Ava Greeson. Our Robotics Team and Reading Bowl Team will compete later this month. We will send out specific details to you in the next parent newsletter. We look forward to another great semester of this school year.

Warmest Regards,  
Principal Dalton

## Upcoming Events

January 14<sup>th</sup>: Report Cards are sent home  
Chick-fil-a Night, 5pm- 8pm

January 20: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday  
No School

January 24<sup>th</sup>: Mother & Son Dance

January 28<sup>th</sup>: Marco's Pizza Night  
5pm- 8 pm



Welcome to our 2019-2020 School Year

**"Soaring to New Heights"**



I would like to thank our families for supporting our educational program by allowing our students to utilize Achieve 3000 (Reading), Lexia (Reading) and IXL (Math) at home! I am so proud of our school's growth in Reading and Math based on our data from the computer applications below.

Achieve 3000 Data (3<sup>rd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students)

Average Score on 1<sup>st</sup> Article: 83.1

Students who score 75% or higher on the 1<sup>st</sup> article: 77.8%

IXL Data (K-5)

Student Proficiency of Math Skills (smart score of 80): 8,358

Student Mastery of Math Skills (smart score of 100): 6,933

Lexia (K-2)

Student Progress: 69% (209) of our students are in grade level material

## PTO Notes

The PTO is in the process of planning our Annual Mother and Son Dance. The dance will be conducted on January 24<sup>th</sup>. The PTO planning committee will provide you with specific details about the dance with the next two weeks.

## Reading

Reading every day is essential for students to acquire new knowledge and experiences from books. A student who reads 20 minutes a day at home will hear approximately 1.8 million words per year. We would like for each of our students to read at least 20 minutes per day at home. Reading may be any material the student selects to read at home. It may be silent reading, reading to a parent/ relative or friend.

