



Vision

The vision of Rafting Creek School is to provide an environment where children feel safe and enjoy learning.

Objectives

Students will meet or exceed PASS tests objectives in all content areas.

Students will improve classroom (academics and behavior).



Rafting Creek Elementary School

PrincipalIda Barboza
 Guidance CounselorTeresa Brown
 School wide Facilitator.....Jannie White
 Parent Facilitator.....Josephine Mack
 Media Specialist.....Michael Duffy
 PTA President.....Michele Sanders

Our Beliefs

- All students are our highest priority.
- The family has the greatest opportunity to influence the life of a child.
- Education for all is essential for the survival of society.
- Equal opportunity is an inherent human right.
- Learning is a life long process.
- All students can learn, achieve and succeed in different ways.
- All students' self-esteem is enhanced by positive relationships and mutual respect among and between students and staff.
- Students learn best when they are actively engaged in the learning process and have appropriate opportunities for success.
- Developmentally appropriate learning activities enhance learning at all levels.
- Teachers, parents and the community share the responsibility for the support of the school's mission.
- Cultural diversity increases student understanding of different people and cultures.
- Challenging expectations and multi-age grouping increase student performance and enrich the learning and teaching environment.
- Exceptional students require various special services and resources.
- Each student is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional, and intellectual needs.
- Instructional practices should incorporate learning activities and take into account differences in learning styles.
- Positive role models are essential for the development of skills and values.
- The pursuit of excellence requires hard work individually and cooperatively.

Rafting Creek Elementary School Annual Report to the Parents 2011—2012



The mission of Rafting Creek Elementary School is to provide a quality education for all students.

Ida Barboza, Principal

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School Improvement Council

- Loretta WhiteChairperson*
- Ida BarbozaPrincipal*
- Scott Owens.....Community*
- Millie Garrett.....Community*
- Derrie Grant.....Community*
- Audrey GrantTeacher*
- Helen Tomlin.....Teacher*
- Michelle Sanders.....Parent*
- Nita Wright.....Parent*
- Jannie White.....Staff*

Accomplishments

- *Adequate Yearly Progress 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010*
- *South Carolina Department of Education Achievement Gap Certificate 2005*
- *SC Healthy Schools Awards Tier One 2005*
- *Clean School Award 2005-2006, 2006-2007, 2007-2008, 2008-2009*
- *Sumter School District Two Multiplication Bee Traveling Plaque 2007–2008, 2008– 2009*
- *City of Sumter Special Commendation: Shower Shaw Cookie Project 2010, 2011*

School Motto:

Attitude is Everything!



Parents / Guardians:

We are progressing rapidly toward achieving our stated School Renewal objectives. We are proud to report that Adequate Yearly Progress was met for eight consecutive school years.

Our instructional strategies and activities, Measures of Academic Progress (MAP), professional staff development and clearly defined goals and objectives, are all an integral part of our initiative to increase students’ proficiency in all areas on the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS). Therefore, as we continually strive to meet the challenges set before us, we take this opportunity to thank our parents for the support shown through parent conferences, visits, etc, and ask for your continued support as we prepare our students to meet the challenges of a “global society.”

Sincerely,

*Loretta Nelson-White, Chairperson
School Improvement Council*

Ida Barboza, Principal