

The Patriot Paper

Report to Parents 2017-2018



Our Mission

Independence Elementary believes that nothing is more important than children. We are continually committed to the social, emotional, and academic development of every child. Our school is safe, challenging, caring, and supportive environment where teachers, parents, students, and community members work together to ensure all Independence students have a solid foundation for life.

We strive to make the learning experiences at Independence fun and engaging while holding everyone accountable for reaching his or her highest potential.

School Clubs

- Battle of the Books
- Science Bowl Team
- Vocabulary Bowl
- Girls on the Run
- Independence News Network
- Patriot Council
- National Junior Beta Club
- Step Team
- Recycling Club
- Safety Patrol
- Chess Club

Stay Connected!



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Teacher of the Year
Elizabeth Baker
Guidance Counselor



Winthrop Partnership



IDES is a Winthrop Partnership School. Only a select few schools in the area have the opportunity to have collaboration between Teachers, Winthrop Students, and Professors. This year we had a Winthrop class visit the school many times to work with students. Being a Winthrop Partnership School is an opportunity that benefits students and teachers at Independence Elementary.

Volunteers and Partnerships

Catawba Baptist Church

Friendship United Methodist Church

Winthrop University Athletics

First Baptist Church

Harvest Ministries

Fellowship of Christian Athletes of Winthrop University

Northwestern High School Football Team

Opportunities for Parents

There are many ways parents can support our school. Two organizations that facilitate various activities and provide guidance on initiatives are the Parent Teacher Association and the School Improvement Council. The PTA organizes many family and fundraising events. The SIC provides input on a myriad of school issues and concerns. Both are valuable to the success of our school.