



FORTS POND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
“FULFILING THE POTENTIAL OF EVERY STUDENT”

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Annual School Improvement Report for 2010-2011

FPES Belief Statements

- We believe all members of the Forts Pond Faculty and Staff are responsible for ensuring that all students are prepared to meet rigorous standards.
- We believe education is a partnership between parents, teachers, students, staff, and community.
- We believe effective teaching is a primary factor in student achievement.
- We believe all schools should be professional learning communities where members collaborate for continuous improvement in instruction and student achievement.
- We believe we are responsible for meeting the needs of all students by differentiating instructional techniques and providing needed resources and materials.
- We believe all individuals should be respected and valued.
- We believe the arts play a vital role in a well-balanced education.
- We believe higher expectations lead to higher achievement in all areas of development.
- We believe the use of formative and authentic assessments should guide teacher instruction.
- We believe all children can overcome obstacles and achieve success.
- We believe effective communication among families, staff, and the community is essential for student growth.
- We believe students learn best in a safe, positive and nurturing environment.

FPES Mission Statement

Forts Pond Elementary School, in collaboration with parents and community, guarantees to Fulfill the Potential of Every Student by providing a safe, nurturing environment that ensures learning in academics and the arts, develops character, and celebrates accomplishments.



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2010 FPES Achievement Data

PASS (Statewide Testing) Results—Met Standard or Above

		ELA	Math	Science	Social Studies
Gr. 3	09-10	59.0%	54.0%	54.0%	53.0%
	10-11	82.4%	62.4%	52.4%	76.7%
Gr. 4	09-10	60.0%	58.0%	58.0%	72.0%
	10-11	58.6%	65.7%	62.9%	52.9%
Gr. 5	09-10	67.0%	53.0%	61.0%	50.0%
	10-11	71.1%	57.7%	64.4%	50.0

FPES Met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)



PHS Athletes and Cheerleaders helped kick off our Race to Read One Million Minutes!!!!



Nana's Closet at FPES provides free clothing and household items to anyone who needs them!



FPES students enjoy using iPod Touches in class!

Forts Pond Elementary is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

FPES School—Goals Update 2010-2011

- At the end of grades 1 and 2, 85% of our students will score “On Grade Level or above” on the Dominee Reading Assessment. During 2009-2010 57% grade 1 students accomplished the goal.
- In grades 3-5, 88% of students will score Met or above on each of the PASS areas. (See table on previous page)
- Student Attendance Rate will be at 95% or higher. FPES attendance rate was 94.1 % for the 2009-2010 school year.

Some Great Things About FPES

- Reaching out to the community through Nana’s Closet (providing clothing and household items to anyone who needs them)
- Geo-Motion materials to incorporate movement in learning
- Seven Habits of Highly Effective Students
- Positive Behavior Support Program for students
- Rolling Reader Program, intergenerational partnerships
- Love and Logic Parent Workshops
- Weekend Snack Packs for over 100 families (approximately 200 students)
- 21st Century Grant After School and Summer Program
- Response to Interventions (RTI) in Reading, Math and Behaviors
- All classrooms equipped with the latest in technology resources
- Family Involvement Activities: Trunk or Treat, Math Nights, Literacy Nights, Parent/Child Dance, Visiting Authors, Fine Arts Programs
- Spanish Classes for students in grades 3-5
- 5th Grade Before School Band, Orchestra and Chorus
- Many, many more child centered and community centered activities...

FPES School Improvement Council

School Improvement Council Members

Elected Parents 2009-2011	Stephanie Lawson, Rick Schmitt
Elected Parents 2010-2012	Stacie Dunn (Chairperson), Amanda Powell
Appointees 2010-2011	Cindy Cavalear, Michael Barr
Elected Teachers 2009-2011	Debby Coulter, Barbara Howell
Elected Teachers 2010-2011	Lynn Campbell, Natalie Spence
Ex-Officio	John Young, Kelly Middleton, Michelle Smith, Tonya Ward