# PLEASANT KNOLL ELEMENTARY SIG REPORT TO PARENTS 2024-2025

### LEADING THE WAY ACADEMICALLY

Pleasant Knoll Elementary is rated in the top 2% of elementary schools in academic achievement and student growth. Pleasant Knoll received an Excellent rating on their 2024–2025 school report and an Excellent rating in every measure. <u>You can click here for the full PKES</u> <u>State report card.</u>



PKES PTO Board

## STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

42% of our 4th and 5th grade students are involved in school clubs. These include safety patrol, breakfast helpers, PKNN, Let Me Run, Girls on the Run, Lost & Found and Recycling club.

### <u>#3 IN SOUTH GAROLINA</u>

Niche.com has Pleasant Knoll Elementary rated as the #3 elementary school in South Carolina with an A+ and 5 star overall rating.

## SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

Chad Allen, Principal Rachel Driver, Assistant Principal Jay "Tripp" Hartley, Assistant Principal

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#### TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Ashley Smith, 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher, was named 2024–2025 Pleasant Knoll Elementary Teacher of the Year! Congratulations Mrs. Smith!



Ashley Smith, Teacher of the Year

## events

Our school in collaboration with the PTO has hosted a fall and spring book fair night for families, a school art show, STEAM night and Community Night, and dance & game nights for K-2 and 3rd-5th grade students and families!

### <u>SCHOOL & DISTRICT PD</u>

Our staff has been hard at work learning the new SC Math standards. Our staff also worked to implement the new South Carolina ELA standards.

## STUDENT AMBASSADORS

34 students in grades 4–5 are student leaders and participate in school decision-making through our student ambassador program.

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#### HPROFESSIONAL LEARNING

This year, our 18 staff members have attended professional development that relate to Professional Communities, Behavior Solutions and IXL implementation for students.



GIRLS LET ME RUN

## PUT YOUR BEST P.A.W. FORWARD

Our school continues to work on consistent academic, behavioral and social emotional expectations through our "Put Your Best P.A.W. Forward initiative. Students participate in monthly pep rallies where school expectations and outcomes are revviewed and discussed.

### PROFESSIONAL LEARNING TIME

Our staff participates twice weekly in Professional Learning time. These collaborative math, ELA and behavior discussions help lead to an equitable education for all students and ensures all of our students grow.

#### STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

During the 2023-2024 school year, our school saw students with disabilities grow by 38% increase in ELA and 41% increase in math as we continue to work toward closing the achievement gap.