

PLEASANT KNOLL ELEMENTARY

SIC REPORT TO PARENTS



2025-2026



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 2025-2026 school report and an Excellent rating in every measure. [You can click here for the full PKES State report card.](#)



Laksha Agarwal

CONGRATS TO LAKSHYA - ALL STATE CHOROUS

A 4th grade student, Lakshya Agarwal, was selected to participate in the South Carolina in the All-State Chorous and Chorous concert. We are so proud of you, Lakshya!

#2 IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Niche.com has Pleasant Knoll Elementary rated as the #2 elementary school in South Carolina with an A+ and 5 star overall rating.

BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

Pleasant Knoll Elementary is recognized as a National Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School!



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TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Ashley Smith, 1st grade teacher, was named 2024-2025 Pleasant Knoll Elementary Teacher of the Year! Congratulations Mrs. Smith!



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!

CONNECTING WITH FAMILIES

Each summer, our administrative team visits every zoned neighborhood through our "Popsicles with Principals" initiative, providing an opportunity to connect with families in a relaxed and welcoming setting. We also offer our Den Dads program, which encourages positive male involvement and engagement within our school community. In addition, families have multiple opportunities throughout the year to connect with school leadership through our Panthers Connection Café, a morning gathering where parents can meet with administrators, ask questions, share feedback, and stay informed about school initiatives.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

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

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PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

This year, 44 members of our staff completed LETRS training. Additionally, our school worked on levels of engagement professional learning and participated in two rounds of “instructional rounds” with our school and district leadership.



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 reviewed and discussed.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

This year, we were able to offer 13 after school clubs that ranged from Choir Club to Chess. Over 274 students participated in one of more clubs during the 25-26 school year.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

During the 2024-2025 school year, our school saw students with disabilities grow by 29% increase in ELA and 31% increase in math as we continue to work toward closing the achievement gap.