

Mission:

In partnership with our community, Catawba Trail Elementary prepares all students for success by providing meaningful, challenging, and engaging learning experiences

The Principal's Vision:

As we embrace the most important work we'll ever do, our eyes look to the future. Our world is shrinking and our children know this best of any of us.

Technology creates a learning environment with no boundaries. Essential skills focus on thinking....Thinking creatively, thinking critically.....sustaining thinking over time and through challenges. We work towards a world in which we ask, "In what ways might we....."

Many minds are stronger than the individual viewpoint and collaboration and communication are embedded in the engaging work our children do every day. Our diversity is our strength and results in a more thoughtful and flexible learning environment.

No longer is there just one right answer or one right way to design an elegant solution to a real world problem. We celebrate our children, our future, and we dedicate Catawba Trail to their education, their dreams, their aspirations, and their present and future success.

Catawba Trail.....Many Paths to the Future

School Improvement Council:

The School Improvement Council (SIC) is composed of educators, parents, and community partners in an advisory role to the principal and faculty. They play a crucial role in establishing, monitoring, and evaluating specific long range goals for student achievement.

SICs do not have any of the powers, responsibilities and/or duties reserved for the local school board.

Members:

School Employees:

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| Denise Barth | Dan Reyes |
| Allison Schoonover | Tia Stewart |
| Brenda Warnow | Dawnta Rogers |

Parents:

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| Travis Shuler | Cindy Andre-Noel |
| Anya Martin | Stan Parker |

Community Member:

Brandon Johnson

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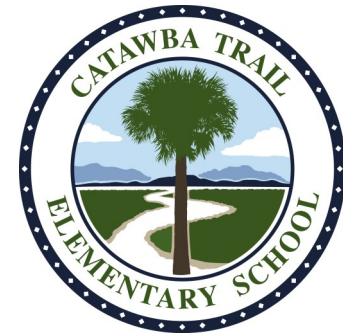
Catawba Trail Elementary School FYI's:

- Fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools/CASI.
- Safety checks:
Kid Gopher cards, single point entry, Lobby Guard
- Grade level Breakdown:
K:70 1st:96 2nd:77 3rd:93 4th:91 5th:80



Catawba Trail Elementary School

Report To Parents 2013-2014



Denise Barth - Principal
Dan Reyes - Assistant Principal
Tia Stewart - Assistant Principal

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OUR GOALS:

GOAL 1

Increase student achievement and accomplishment through standard and creative assessment tools

Note:
Standardized tests are designed to measure academic standing in core subject areas. Please keep in mind they are only one tool to measure student success. An overall picture of student achievement should be seen in a variety of products, not just tests.

GOAL 2

Create a positive school climate with evidence of student ownership and pride

Extracurricular Opportunities

- * Choir
- * Art Club
- * Post Office
- * Robotics Club
- * News Team
- * Media Helpers
- * Disc Golf
- * Safety Patrol
- * Nature Navigators
- * Carolina Fence Garden
- * Composting Club
- * School-Wide Recycling
- * Student Council
- * Robotics Club
- * Morning Run
- * Running Club - (Governors Cup, Palmetto Half Marathon)
- * Intramurals-Soccer, Handball & Basketball

Student Leadership and Creativity

- * -Student Art Installations
 - * -Grade level performances: Kindergarten-4th grade
 - * -Fifth Grade Recognition Program
 - * -School-wide Awards Day
- Afterschool courses available: Dance, Soccer, Golf, Karate, Cheerleading

GOAL 3

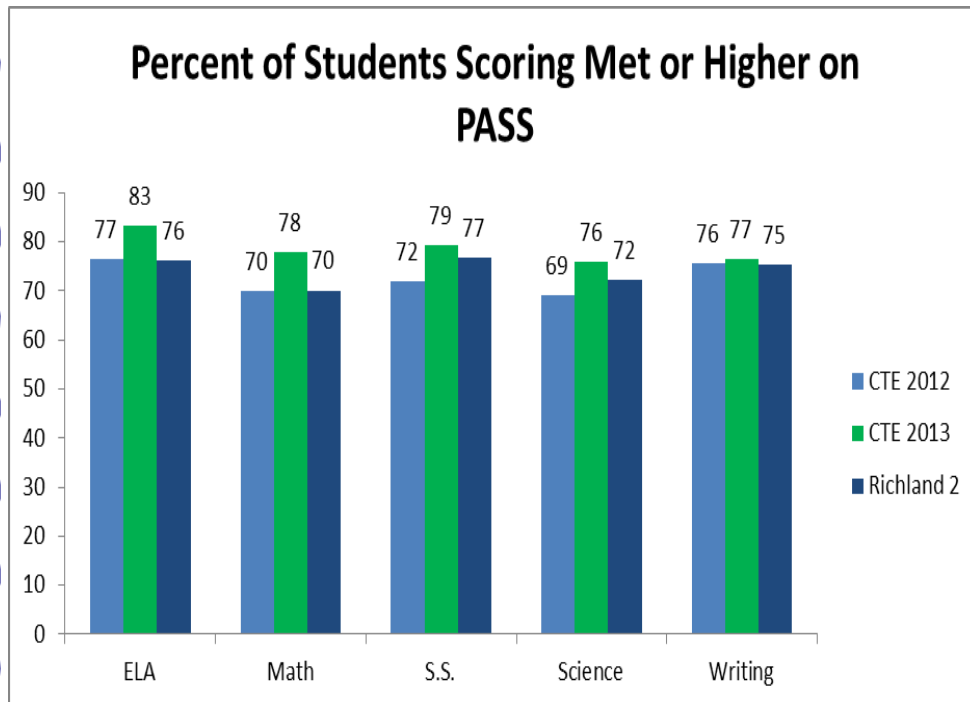
Continue developing quality teachers and administrators

- 100% of teachers - Highly Qualified
- 55% of teachers hold advanced degrees in education
- 10 Nationally Board Certified Teachers
- Teacher of the Year: Heather Lindsay
- Support Staff Person of the Year: Linda Friday-Jennings
- Technology infused classrooms:
 - Hovercam in every core classroom
 - ITWO1 computing in grades 3-5
 - Laptop carts with a class set of laptops in grades K-2
 - SmartBoards in all classrooms
 - 5 iPads, 1 Digital Camera, and 1 FlipCam per classroom
 - Class sets of Nooks
 - Google accounts for everyone in the school

GOAL 4

Create a community environment to support student success

- PTO
 - Membership: \$ 2,550
 - Fundraisers: \$ 14,359
 - Family Nights, Biscuits, Skate Night \$ 6,148
- Volunteers logged 5000+ hours
- Terra Recycle
- School Choice: 30 out of 33 fifth graders who applied received their 1st choice for middle school magnets
- Career Day: Featured menu of 53 speakers
- Veteran's Victory Walk
- Community Service: Palmetto Animal Assistance Life Services (PAALS)
- Family Events: Father/Daughter Dance, Mother/Son Movie Night, Fall Stampede, Tell Me A Story (TMAS)
- Field Day: The Olympics
- Disc Golf Community Open House



2nd Grade Performance



3rd Grade Performance



4th Grade Performance



Dr Seuss Day



PAALS Pet Parade



Father/Daughter Dance