

Pate Elementary School is located on Indian Branch Road just outside the Darlington city limits. Pate serves 424 students in grades 3K-2nd grade. Our school is truly a place for every child. The mission of Pate Elementary School is to prepare all students to become productive citizens by providing diverse learning experiences in a safe, positive, and appropriate environment supported by the total community. To achieve this, we strive to provide a quality education for all students. We work diligently to ensure that the students continue to get the quality education they deserve so they can become positive contributing members of society.

Our instructional staff consists of 16 regular classroom teachers, two teachers for hearing disabled students, one 5K disabilities teacher, one 3K/4K itinerant disabilities teacher, one teacher for LD/EMD/OHI/autism resource, one speech and language teacher, one coordinating teacher, one art teacher, one music teacher, one physical education teacher, one guidance counselor (.5), one media specialist, audiologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist and adaptive physical education teacher.

In order to provide a quality education, teachers and staff members are also held to high expectations. Rigorous staff development enables our teachers to have all necessary information in providing instruction to the students. Teachers are given all necessary training to ensure they have the knowledge needed to implement the school's core curriculum. The faculty and staff are professionals and leaders in education.

Students are given the opportunity at our school to be successful in all areas. They are provided with numerous leadership opportunities to build confidence and capability. Students take an active role in being positive contributors at the school. They assist with cleaning the grounds, raising and lowering the flag, making announcements, performing at school events, and most of all, conducting themselves in a manner conducive to learning. The school is proud of the accomplishments of the students and highlights their successes whenever possible.

Data Report

The SC School Report Card issued by the South Carolina Department of Education reports the status of our school. Beginning with the 2006-2007 school year, Pate became a 3K-2 school. Our school received an excellent rating on the State Report Card for the 2010-2011 school year. However, our school does gather, analyze and use assessment data in ELA, math, science and social studies to address individual needs of students. These results are available at the school for parents to review with their child's teacher. Additional information not found in the state report card is listed below.

Retentions	
2010-2011 School Year	
5K	2 students
1st grade	11 students
2nd grade	1 student

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Janeen Thomas, Chairperson/Teacher
Hope Sturkie, Parent
April Vos, Parent
Brandi Bryant, Parent
Penny Watson, Community Member
Charles Watson, Parent
Pam Etheridge, Community Member
Ellen Berry, Community Member
Ella Johnson, Community Member
Regina Gattison, Parent
Eric Hodges, Parent
Dereck Robinson, Parent
Tammy Robinson, PTO President
Gregory Ross, Parent
Dora Sutton, Parent
Casie Yarbrough, Teacher
Jennifer Berry, Teacher
David Graham, Teacher
Sara Finch, Teacher
Judy Langley, Teacher
Debra Grooms, Community Member
Irby Haynes, Teacher
Jennifer Griffin, Teacher
Rebekah Tedder, Teacher
Joan Brown, Teacher
Aimee Cook, Teacher
Wendi Beattie, Coordinating Teacher, Ex Officio
Terry Martin, Principal, Ex-Officio

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**REPORT TO THE PARENTS
2011 - 2012**

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PATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
MISSION STATEMENT



A school of excellence preparing all students to become productive citizens

The School Improvement Council of Pate Elementary School has prepared this summary report for our school community. The three goals of our summary report are to communicate the following:

1. Pate Elementary School measures student success by comparing results of locally administered tests to schools in our district.
2. The 2010-2011 school year offered many successes and challenges. Our Performance goals, vision statement, beliefs and values for our five-year improvement plan are shared in this report.
3. Pate Elementary School has made many accomplishments in 2010-2011. We would like to share these with our school community.

PERFORMANCE GOALS

Pate Elementary School targeted the following areas for emphasis during the 2010-2011 school year:

Goal One

The percentage of students scoring on grade level and above in English Language Arts will increase 3% in 2010-2011 as measured by the District ELA assessment.

Goal Two

The percentage of students scoring on grade level and above in Math will increase 5% in 2010-2011 as measured by the District Math Benchmark Assessment.

Goal Three

The percentage of K-2 students meeting the criteria for K-2 Social Studies Exit standards will increase to 85% in the year 2010-2011, as measured by the District Social Studies Standards.

Goal Four

The percentage of K-2 students meeting the criteria for K-2 Science Exit Standards will increase to 80% in the year 2010-2011, as measured by the District Science Exit Standards.

Goal Five

The percentage of teachers exhibiting rich evidence of high quality, scientifically – based instruction will increase to 85% by the year 2010-2011.

Goal Six

The percentage of parents indicating they feel welcome in the school and informed of school policies and procedures will increase by at least 4% in 2010-2011, as measured by the Pate Elementary School Parent survey.

VISION STATEMENT

At Pate Elementary School, we envision:

- An atmosphere of collaboration and respect among school, families and community.
- A school that nurtures life-long learners who become positive role models in society.
- A school where faculty and staff are devoted to the success of every child through meaningful collaboration and ongoing professional development in an atmosphere of mutual respect.

BELIEFS

At Pate Elementary School, we believe:

- Education is a partnership involving all members of the community.
- All employees must be dedicated to the success of each child.
- Learning is a life-long process that requires training, support and resources for students and employees to continuously improve in a changing world.
- All individuals are unique, have worth, and the potential to learn and to succeed at a higher level.
- Learning best takes place in a safe, positive, and appropriate environment.
- All cultures make contributions to society.

VALUES

- Respect - recognizing and appreciating the values in others
- Accountability - be responsible for one's action
- Integrity - doing the right thing, in an honest and trustworthy manner
- Dedication - being devoted to the cause
- Security - having a protective environment, which provides safety, acceptance, and stability

ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

We are extremely proud of Pate's students, staff, parents, and programs. All of them have contributed to our success, motivation, experiences, and the display of a caring atmosphere of enthusiasm for learning. We are proud to share the following accomplishments and activities for 2011-2012:

1. Recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School
2. Created a comprehensive website to share the school, individual classrooms and school-wide programs/initiatives
3. Conducted "Book Talks" for faculty and staff
4. Provided a Computer Lab for students in second grade
5. Provided a Math Lab for students
6. Plan and implemented standards-based field trips
7. Mothered/Fathered
8. Continued "Read Well" supplemental program
9. Planned and implemented Family Nights
10. Recognized students on a monthly basis through the Terrific Kids program
11. Received "Red Carpet" award
12. Continued "Panda Productions" ...our morning show announcements via closed-circuit TV
13. Featured Pate authors on Friday mornings on Panda Productions
14. Utilized "School Connects" a school-home communication tool
15. Implemented Triple P Parenting Program
16. Continue Principal's Chats
17. Recognized "The Student of the Week"
18. Enhanced "Science Lab" for all grade levels
19. Continued active PTA
20. Provided community with a Fall Festival
21. Provided musical performances throughout the year
22. Enhanced "Parent Resource Room" for parent use
23. Increased the collection of books in the media center
24. Continued our affiliation with National Network of Partnership Schools
25. Participated in positive behaviors
26. Added Promethean boards to selected classrooms
27. One hundred percent of Pate teachers completed Promethean Board course
28. Continued our update in technology
29. Continued to build the library collection of books in each classroom with a goal of at least 500 books per classroom
30. Bi-Lo writers recognized
31. Continued Waterford program throughout our school with an emphasis at the Kindergarten level
32. Created a Math Lab
33. Attended and participated in reading, math and writing conferences and classroom management programs
34. Received training in writing strategies for faculty and staff
35. Recognized Aimee Cook as "Teacher of the Year"
36. Enhanced Writing Lab and Professional Development Room
37. Exemplary Writing Program award winner.
38. Continued "BrainPop, Jr".
39. "Wee Deliver" letter program
40. Dental clinic
41. Quarterly Awards Day
42. Relay for Life
43. Panda Paw Movie Day
44. Daily exercise time