

PATE-Positive Attitudes That Educate

Pate Elementary School is located on Indian Branch Road just outside the Darlington city limits. Pate serves 452 students in grades 4K-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 20 regular classroom teachers, one teacher for hearing disabled students, one teacher for LD/EMD/OHI/autism resource, two speech and language teachers, one coordinating teacher, one art teacher, two music teachers, one physical education teacher, one school counselor, one media specialist, audiologist, occupational therapist and physical therapist. One nurse and 1 vision 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.

Data Report

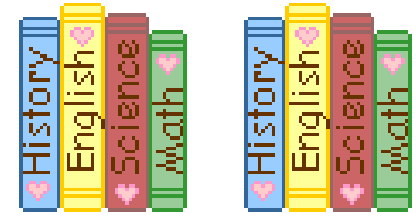
The SC School Report Card issued by the South Carolina Department of Education reports the status of our school. Beginning with the 2006-2007 school year, Pate became a 4K-2 school. Our school received an excellent rating on the State Report Card for the 2013-2014 school year. However, our school does 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.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Ms. Janeen Thomas, Chairperson/Teacher
Ms. Lynn Benjamin, Parent
Ms. Stacey Hollis, Parent
Mrs. Sara Finch, Community Member
Ms. Lorraine Jackson, Parent
Mrs. Mary Gibbs, Teacher
Mrs. Jennifer Dunn, Community Member
Ms. Aukelia Bess, Parent
Ms. Al'nessa Campbell, Parent
Ms. Tanesia Brown, PTA President
Ms. Jennifer Griffin, Teacher
Wendi Beattie, Coordinating Teacher, Ex-Officio
Mrs. Irby DuBose, Teacher
Ms. Darassa Thomas, Teacher
Mrs. Taylor Byrd, Teacher
Ms. Lacy Purvis, Teacher
Mrs. June Bryant, Community Member
Mrs. Beth Hubbard, Community Member
Mr. Timothy Huntley, Community Member
Mr. Ricky James, Community Member
Mrs. Ella Johnson, Community Member
Emily Lunn, Principal, Ex-Officio

SIC Members can be contacted through the school office at 398-5070

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REPORT TO THE PARENTS 2014 - 2015

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Purpose of the Annual Report

Each year, school improvement councils are required by Act 135 to report the progress of the school. The PES School Improvement Council meets to discuss the challenges and successes being faced by the school, students, parents, and teachers for the 2014-2015 school year. The Report to the Parents presents the achievements, goals and objectives of Pate Elementary School.

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 2014-2015 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 2014-2015. We would like to share these with our school community.

PERFORMANCE GOALS

Pate Elementary School targeted the following areas for emphasis during the 2014-2015 school year:

Goal One

The percentage of students scoring on grade level and above in English Language Arts will increase 2% each year as measured by the District ELA assessment.

Goal Two

The percentage of students scoring on grade level and above in Math will increase 2% each year as measured by the District Math Benchmark Assessment.

Goal Three

100% of our teachers that are employed with our school will be highly qualified.

Goal Four

Positive relationships between the school and parents/guardians will be formed and developed which will affect an increase of at least 4% parent participation at school events.



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 .

1. Received Exemplary Writing Program award from the South Carolina Department of Education
2. Continued 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
5. Planned and implemented standards-based field trips
6. Provided a Science Lab for students
7. Supplemental program provided Reading Interventionist.
8. Planned and implemented Family Nights/Days
9. Recognized students on a monthly basis through the Terrific Kids program
10. Continued "Panda Productions" ...our morning show announcements via closed-circuit TV
11. Featured Pate authors and nonfiction study Panda Productions
12. Utilized "School Connects" a school-home communication tool
13. Daily Fast Forward program for 5K-Second grade.
14. Recognized "The Student of the Week"
15. Provided Ipad carts for teachers to share.
16. Continued PTA
17. Provided community with a Fall Festival
18. Provided musical performances throughout the year
19. "Parent Resource Room" for parent use
20. Parenting classes provided through Well Springs.
21. Participated in positive behaviors through the book, *The Energy Bus*.
22. Purchased seating for outdoor classroom through PTA funds.
23. Continued use of Promethean Boards to enhance instruction
24. Continued our update in technology
25. Continued to build the library collection of books in each classroom with a goal of at least 500 books per classroom
26. Recognized BILO writers each week at Local BILO store
27. Provided incentives each 9 weeks to students who meet grade-level reading goal.
28. Attended and participated in reading conferences.
29. Recognized Irby DuBose as "Teacher of the Year"
30. Provided summer reading books for all students.
31. Participated in Dental clinic
32. Provided various activities to raise funds for *Relay for Life*
33. Panda Paw Movie Day