

PATE-Positive Attitudes That Educate

Pate Elementary School is located on Indian Branch Road just outside the Darlington city limits. Pate serves 448 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 19 regular classroom teachers, one teacher for hearing disabled students, two teachers for LD/EMD/OHI/autism resource, one speech and language teacher, one coordinating teacher, one art teacher, two music teachers, one physical education teacher, one guidance counselor, one media specialist, one audiologist, one occupational therapist, one physical therapist and one 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

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 2012-2013 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

Mr. Ronnie Gee, Parent

Ms. Lynn Benjamin, Parent

Ms. Stacey Hollis, Parent

Mrs. Sara Finch, Community Member

Ms. Lorraine Jackson, Parent

Mrs. Mary Gibbs, Community Member

Mrs. Jennifer Dunn, Community Member

Ms. Aukelia Bess, Parent

Ms. Al'nessa Campbell, Parent

Ms. Ashley Ross, PTA President

Ms. Jennifer Griffin, Teacher

Mrs. Wendi Beattie, Coordinating Teacher,

Ex- Officio

Ms. Irby Haynes, Teacher

Ms. Darassa Thomas, Teacher

Mrs. Taylor Byrd, Teacher

Mrs. Casie Yarbrough, Teacher

Ms. Lacy Purvis, Teacher

Mrs. Emily Lunn, Principal, Ex-Officio

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REPORT TO THE PARENTS 2013 - 2014

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EMILY LUNN, PRINCIPAL



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 2013-2014 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 2013-2014 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 2013-2014. We would like to share these with our school community.

PERFORMANCE GOALS

Pate Elementary School targeted the following areas for emphasis during the 2012-2013 school year:

Goal One

The percentage of students scoring on grade level and above in English Language Arts will increase 2% in 2012-2013 as measured by the District ELA assessment.

Goal Two

The percentage of students scoring on grade level and above in Math will increase 2% in 2012-2013 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 of 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. Recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School
3. Continued a comprehensive website to share the school, individual classrooms and school-wide programs/initiatives
4. Conducted "Book Talks" for faculty and staff
5. Provided a Computer Lab for students
6. Planned and implemented standards-based field trips
7. Provided a Science Lab for students
8. Supplemental program provided Reading Interventions.
9. Planned and implemented Family Nights/Days
10. Recognized students on a monthly basis through the Terrific Kids program
11. Continued "Panda Productions" ...our morning show announcements via closed-circuit TV
12. Featured Pate authors and nonfiction study Panda Productions
13. Utilized "School Connects" a school-home communication tool
14. Continued Principal's Chats throughout the year
15. Recognized "The Student of the Week"
16. Enhanced "Science Lab" for all grade levels
17. Continued PTA
18. Provided community with a Fall Festival
19. Provided musical performances throughout the year
20. "Parent Resource Room" for parent use
21. Increased the collection of books in the media center
22. Participated in positive behaviors
23. Promethean boards to selected classrooms
24. Continued use of Promethean Boards to enhance instruction
25. Continued our update in technology
26. Continued to build the library collection of books in each classroom with a goal of at least 500 books per classroom
27. Recognized BILO writers each week at Local BILO store
28. Daily Success Maker program for second grade.
29. Attended and participated in reading and math conferences and classroom management programs
30. Recognized C. Yarbrough as "Teacher of the Year"
31. Enhanced Writing Lab and Professional Development Room
32. Continued *Wee Deliver* letter program
33. Participated in Dental clinic
34. Provided various activities to raise funds for *Relay for Life*
35. Panda Paw Movie Day
36. Piloted High Progress Literacy Classroom Project