

## School Renewal Plan Goals for 2011-2012

### Student Achievement

- The percentage of students scoring level 2B will increase to 80% or higher by 2012 as measured by the Dominic Reading Assessment.
  - Southside has implemented a Balanced Literacy Program as a district initiative.
  - Southside administers the Dominic Reading Assessment to all 5K students three times during the school year.
  - Southside has provided additional instruction for students who demonstrated an academic need in English/Language Arts.
- The percentage of students scoring on grade level will increase to 78% or higher by 2012 as measured by the School Math Assessment.
  - Southside administers a school math assessment and math benchmark to all 5K students three times during the school year.
  - Southside provides instructional best practice techniques in math instruction.

### School Climate

- Build working relationships between educators and parents/guardians to improve educational involvement by increasing attendance at parent/teacher conferences, workshops, and IEP meetings to 99% by 2012.
  - Southside sent a welcome letter to all students at the beginning of the school year.
  - Southside provides quarterly workshops for parents on the Balanced Literacy Model and math focusing on student achievement.

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Patricia Toney, Principal; Ex Officio Member  
Rachel Marino, Coordinating Teacher  
Nancy Blackwell, Administrative Assistant  
Janie Thomas, Cafeteria Manager  
Harriet Ward, 4K Teacher  
Nancy Williamson, 5K Teacher  
Jewell Clark, 5K Special Needs Teacher  
Beverly Cannarella, Speech Pathologist  
Debbie Dutton, 5K Paraprofessional  
Cynthia Hickman, 5K Paraprofessional  
Stephanie Hall, 3K/4K Teacher  
Amiri Hooker, Parent  
Jenny Salazar, Parent  
Lisa Woodham, PTO President/Parent  
Hattie Hughes, Community Member  
Richard Swallow, Community Member  
Tara King, P.U.L.S.E. Facilitator

Newsletter - "Paw Prints" (Published monthly)

Mascot - Teddy Bear

School Colors - Red & White

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REPORT TO THE  
PARENTS



## SOUTHSIDE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Where Children  
Come First!

2011-2012

**To the SECC  
Community, Staff,  
Parents, and Students**

Southside Early Childhood Center is a part of the Darlington County School District and is located in a rural setting just outside the city limits of Hartsville, South Carolina. Southside opened its doors as an Early Childhood Center in August, 1995. With an enrollment of 449 students, SECC is in its fifteenth year as a center for three, four, and five year kindergarten age students. Southside is a School-wide Title I School and is a previous recipient of the South Carolina Reading First Grant. We were chosen as a Red Carpet School by the South Carolina Department of Education for our family-friendly environment in 2002-2003, and received the District's Five Star Customer Service Award in 2005-2006 and 2006-2007. Our school continues to be unique not only for Darlington County, but also for the Pee Dee region of South Carolina.



Kindergarten plays a unique role in a child's educational experience, serving as a transition from home or pre-school experiences to formal schooling. Southside Early Childhood Center provides the kindergarten experience that is critical in establishing positive feelings about coming to school; and the child's view of self as a capable learner. The environment at Southside Early Childhood Center supports children's natural disposition for learning. Our students are encouraged to dream, to imagine possibilities and to strive for excellence. The foundations for family learning and involvement in the child's education are supported and welcomed at our school. Southside Early Childhood Center is a community where children learn and grow. It is a place "Where Children Come First."

**Mission of Southside Early Childhood Center**

The mission of Southside Early Childhood Center is to provide individually appropriate experiences that will challenge our children to become lifelong learners.



**ACCOMPLISHMENTS/AWARDS**

- Paula Alvarez is our Teacher of the Year for 2011-2012.
- Southside is NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) Accredited.
- The four elementary schools that our students feed into for first grade have received either a Palmetto Gold Award or Palmetto Silver Award.
- Southside is participating in the Comer School Development Program.
- Southside has received an excellent absolute rating on the School Report Card for the last five years.



**THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL REPORT CARD RESULTS**

RATINGS OVER 5-YEAR PERIOD		
Year	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2011	Excellent	Excellent
2010	Excellent	Excellent
2009	Excellent	Good
2008	Excellent	Good
2007	Excellent	Excellent



**SOUTHSIDE'S  
FACULTY AND STAFF**

**Teacher**

- Joye Black
- Sheila Brodie
- Jillian Burke
- Jewell Clark
- Stephanie Hall
- Kelley Hardwick
- Joy Jones
- Nakeisha Lacy
- Melissa McLain
- Miriam Norwood
- Karen Simmons
- Lisa Smith
- Yvonne Thomas
- Harriet Ward
- Phyllis Watson
- Nancy Williamson
- Lori Yarborough

**Assistant(s)**

- Cynthia Hickman
- Beth Byrd
- Debbie Winburn
- Elaine Sims
- Mary Green
- Cynthia Keith, Chrystal Taylor
- Leisa McDougall
- Sylvia Ghoens
- Eddie Mae Reynolds
- Jazmyne Byrd
- Debbie Dutton
- Easter Arthur
- JoAnne Davis
- Tammy McMillan
- Ernestine Benjamin
- Lana Faile
- Destyne Jordan

**Principal - Patricia Toney**

Coordinating Teacher - Rachel Marino  
Administrative Assistants - Joyce Wheeler & Nancy Blackwell

- Media Specialist - Paula Alvarez
- Speech - Beverly Cannarella, Elizabeth Quinn, Amy Thomas
- Guidance - Denise Miller
- Custodian Staff - Kenny Bruce, Beverly Robinson, Barbara Wilson
- Cafeteria Staff - Janie Thomas, Manager  
Patricia Freeman, Bookkeeper  
Jackie Amerson  
Patricia Gilbert  
Patsy Grantham  
Gedell Robinson
- Occupational Therapist - Priscilla Myers
- Physical Therapist - Gretchen McCathern
- Music Teacher - Rhonda Parnell
- School Psychologist - Vickie Miller