

Our School

Kensington is located just north of the city of Georgetown. We serve approximately 750 students in grades child development through fifth grade. Also, there are twenty-four students who are served in self-contained profound mentally disabled, and generic special education classes. Twenty percent of the eligible students in grades three through five are in our gifted and talented program.

Our History

Kensington Elementary School was built in 1959 to serve the surrounding neighborhood and areas just north of the school. The closing of one of the older schools in our area led to an extension of our attendance zone to include students from the historic district and the public housing authority.

Our Students

The ratio of black to white students is 40 to 53 and 6.5% other cultural backgrounds. Our students come from extremely varied socioeconomic backgrounds. Sixty-six percent receive free and/or reduced lunches.

Our Faculty Information

The Kensington faculty is collegial, family oriented and professionally capable of serving the school's 750 students. We care about being involved in the quality world of our parents and their most prized possessions. Fifteen of our staff members, which includes the principal and assistant principal, have achieved National Board Certification. This past year, Mrs. Danielle Black, was named a finalist for Georgetown County School District Teacher of the Year.

Our Outstanding Features

Character First programs
BEACH (Broad Educational and Creative Happenings)
Red Ribbon Week
Learning Specialist and Curriculum Coach
Computer Technology Lab
Parenting Program
Programs for Children with Special Needs
Kensington Reading Buddies
Caught Being Good Incentive Program
Volunteer Program/PTA
Live Morning Announcements
Science Lab
Cultural Arts Program and Spring Fling
Language Arts and Math Enrichment Groups
"Touching Lives of Children" Program
5th Grade Leadership Building Program

Extra-Curricular Involvement

YMCA ~ Academic Fair
Kiwanis K-Kids ~ Good News Club
Student Leadership Council ~ Art Club
Carolina Misses Baton Club

Our Business Partners

International Paper Co. ~ Georgetown Breakfast Rotary
Wal-Mart Super Center ~ Chick-fil-A
Pawleys Island Kiwanis Club
Georgetown Kraft Credit Union

Message from SIC Chairperson

The School Improvement Council at Kensington Elementary School has been in a transitional period. This year we have maintained our traditional programs and begun to look at data from various sources to develop our next initiatives. With the assistance of the school administration, we have strategically outlined a formal presentation that will be shared with all stakeholders in the Fall of 2012. The SIC believes that fulfilling the school's mission will take the input and involvement of everyone. We are looking forward to sharing our concepts with you as we chart the course for what will be a successful voyage in advancing student achievement.

Mandy Scogin, Chair

2011-12 School Improvement Council

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BELIEFS

All students can learn.

Students need to demonstrate their understanding of essential knowledge and skills, as well as, be actively involved in solving problems and producing quality work.

Students learn in different ways and should be provided with a variety of instructional approaches to support their learning.

High expectations increase individual student performance.

Each student is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional and intellectual needs.

Assessments of student learning should provide students with a variety of opportunities to demonstrate their achievement of the expectations for their learning.

Exceptional students (e.g., special education, limited English proficiency, gifted and talented, etc.) require special services and resources.

A safe and physically comfortable environment promotes student learning.

Teachers, administrators, parents, students, and the community share the responsibility for advancing the school's mission.

The commitment to continuous improvement is imperative if our school is going to enable students to become confident, self-directed, lifelong learners.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission statement of Kensington Elementary School is to help all children achieve their maximum potential within a comprehensive, nurturing, learning environment so that they may become caring, responsible citizens as well as lifelong learners.



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2011-12 SIC UPDATE

KENSINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**“Together We Can Build The
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