



School Improvement Council 2015 Report to the Community

A School Family -
Positively Committed to Excellence

Plain Elementary

Grades: K - 5th Grade

Enrollment: 884

Outstanding Features & Programs

Art Club
Artist in Residence
Author's Tea
Back Pack Blessings
Baldrige Model Practices
Book Buddies
Bully Prevention Programs
Career Day
CATCH School
Character Education Program
(7 Habits of Happy Kids)
Curriculum and Family Nights
Early Risers Program
Extended Day Program
Honors Chorus
Inclusive Programming Model
Lacrosse Club
Literacy Week – Author Visits
One-to-One Tutoring
Panda Bells
Panda Pals – Peer Group
Panda Pacers - Running Club
Panda Players – Drama Team
Parent Education Programs
PE Club
Peer Tutoring
Percussion Ensemble
Recycling school-wide
RTI Literacy Program K5
Safety Patrols
Science Fun Day
SEEDS Literature Program
SOAR to Success
First in Math
Accelerated Reader
Student Leaderships
Voices Important to Plain
(VIP)
Virtual Field Trip Classroom
Watch D.O.G.S Program
WPES – Morning News Show
Yoga Club

Welcome
PLAIN ELEMENTARY

Plain Elementary opened its doors for the first time in August 1982 and proudly welcomed 652 students ranging from kindergarten through fifth grade. The building was constructed on land that many years ago surrounded a stage coach and delivery stop at the Plain Post Office in what was then a small rural pioneer community. The school's name reflects the rich history of the community it serves.

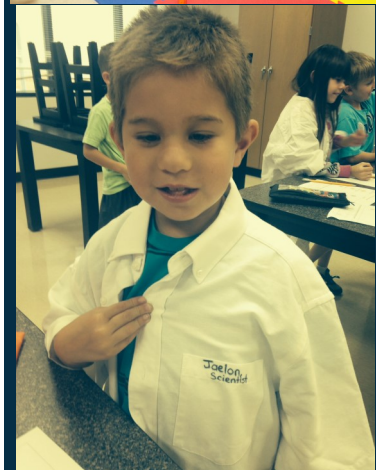
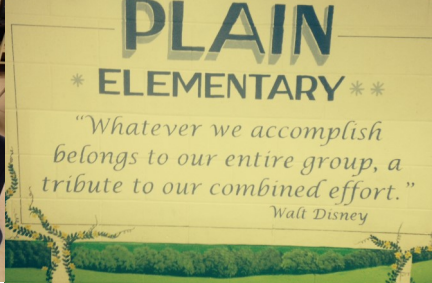
Our school is located on eighteen acres in a rapidly growing suburb of Greenville. The school facility has changed over the years. Initially, portable classrooms were added to alleviate overcrowding as the student population soared during the 1990's. A decade later, an expansion and renovation of the original building was deemed necessary. Construction was completed in 2006 to support one thousand students. Currently we have an enrollment of 884 children.

We continue to maintain high expectations for all students by implementing research based instructional practices to meet the needs of every child. Our community's goal is to build strong academic, social, and emotional foundational skills for children. Continuous school-wide improvement and a voice in the educational process are valued by our citizens. A safe learning environment which cultivates mutual respect is paramount to our school family.

Our School Improvement Council (SIC) collaborated with Safe Kids Upstate to evaluate our arrival and dismissal procedures. Results of the evaluation were analyzed to make informed decisions to enhance the safety of our school community. Plain Elementary SIC continues to work with TreesGreenville to beautify school grounds through our annual "Hands On Plain Elementary" (HOPE) Day.

From the original school mission, "Blazing Trails from the Future," to our present vision, "A School Family - Positively Committed to Excellence," we embrace our past and future while striving to make a positive impact in the lives of our students, parents, staff, and community members. We are a collaborative school family and have a dynamic, thriving learning community.





Our Results...



	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Writing	78.5	79.2	86.4	86.0	86.3	88.6
ELA	80.9	83.4	86.6	87.3	90.2	90.9
Mathematics	79.2	76.5	83.1	83.9	86.7	90.2
Science	74.0	72.9	75.5	80.4	81.9	83.6
Social Studies	78.8	82.4	82.7	81.9	87.3	86.3
Absolute Rating	Good	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Growth Rating	Good	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

Awards and Honors:

- Excellent Report Card Ratings 2011 - 2014
- Palmetto Gold Award (Raising student achievement) 2011 - 2014
- Palmetto Silver Award (Raising student achievement) 2009 - 2011
- Palmetto Silver Award (Closing the achievement gap) 2010 - 2012
- Safe Kid's Up-state School 2009 to present
- Safe Kid's Silver School Recipient - 2013 - 2014
- PTA Membership Recognition Award - Bronze Palmetto Association 2013 - 2014
- PTA Local Membership Recognition - 500 Member Club 2013 - 2014
- First in Math Online Program - Number One Problem Solving School in South Carolina
- Organic Garden Recipient - 2011 (Present garden)
- Live-well Greenville Healthy School
- Model Fruit & Nut Training School - TreesGreenville Partnership
- School District Web-master's Choice Gold Award
- Red Carpet School for welcoming school environment
- Accredited by AdvanceED
- Highly Qualified teachers with 5 National Board Certified
- ESEA Federal Accountability Rating "A" 2012 - 2014
- State PTA Reflections Contest student recognition
- United Way Campaign of Excellence

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