## A Community for Learning!

# Our Mission...

in partnership with the home and community, is to:

**P**repare **R**espect Enrich Succeed

# **Our Vision**

The Pelham Road Community continuously works to provide a school where...

- There is mutual respect, honesty, responsibility, and cooperation among the school community.
- Home, community, and school work together \* to benefit all students.
- The environment is a safe, secure, and inviting place to promote learning.
- Curriculum and instruction involve a variety of learning experiences to accommodate individual differences.
- Students are equipped with skills that enable them to apply their learning in a meaningful context.
- All students are equipped to use technology \* and research skills to gain knowledge for lifelong learning.



### An outstanding technological and

#### multicultural learning environment!

We have served as a technology model school providing information and tours to other schools in and around our district. Our school will be refreshed in the fall with updated technology such as new computers in the lab, new laptops, and additional student technology.

We utilize Promethean boards, laptops, Chrome-Books, and iPads. We are proud of our 30-station computer lab and 2 wireless laptop labs.

We are grateful to have a student population representing 42 different countries with 21 different languages spoken at home.

We currently have 12 teachers who earned National Board Certification, and 37 faculty members with advanced degrees. Our faculty is deeply committed to improving each child's achievement and continuously participates in professional development.

We provide students individualized goal setting and progress measurement through Measures of Academic Progress (MAP). Strong integration of writing across the curriculum provides students with a solid language arts foundation. Consequently, Pelham Road is now a school of Exemplary Writing.

We love our Extended After School Program with stimulating activities and homework help,





### PELHAM ROAD **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** LaVelle McCray, Principal

School Improvement Council Report to the Community

### 2014-2015

## National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

South Carolina School of Excellence

Palmetto Goal Award—9 Years

Palmetto's Finest

**Exemplary Writing School** 

Presidential Academic Fitness Award

**Red Carpet Award Winner** 



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#### **Pelham Road Elementary**

#### Home of the All Stars!



At the start of the 2014-2015 school year we received an absolute rating of excellent, as well as a good in academic growth. We believe our success is

due to a strong emphasis of differentiation of instruction, integration of subjects and technology. Pelham Road Elementary is a unique blend of traditional studies and technology in a delightful, child friendly setting. Our motto, "A Community of Learning" is quite evident with our outstanding volunteer program comprised of parents and community members. Because of the dedication of our faculty and the commitment of our community, Pelham Road Elementary is definitely the epitome of a classic neighborhood school and a shining example of what all schools could be.

#### Standardized testing:

- Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) is a computer based test given in the fall and spring to 2nd—5th graders in math and ELA. MAP testing has benefited our school by providing detailed, individualized, immediate identification of strengths and weakness.
- Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS) is the state test administered in May science and social studies to our fourth and fifth graders.
- The ACT Aspire, a national test, will be given in April to 3rd—5th grades in writing, reading, and mathematics.

#### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL (S.I.C.)

Serves as an advisory body to the school's principal and faculty. The council works collaboratively to develop and implement a five-year school improvement plan. They also monitor and evaluate success in reaching the plan's objectives and to write an annual report to the parents about the progress of the plan. This year our SIC has been keeping abreast of policies, laws, and regulations enacted by local, state, and federal authorities that affect schools, especially those that might improve educational opportunities. SIC plays a key role in education, bringing together parents, educators, and community stakeholders to work collectively to improve their local school.

#### 2014 / 2015 S.I.C. Committee Chair:

Andrea Hargette

### PARENT TEACHER ASSOICATION (PTA)

Our phenomenal PTA is a huge part of our school. Pelham Road is proud to be a long time winner of the PTA award for 100% membership from our students and families. PTA supports the following programs at our school Accelerated Reading, Math Superstars, Reflections Art and Writing Contest, Artist -In-Residence, book fair, community fair, and SEEDS. This past year our very active PTA has supported our school by purchasing 80 Chrome Books, supplying teachers with much need school supply money to purchase classroom materials, volunteering as teacher helpers, as well as sponsoring curriculum days, like Science Fun day where students get to participate in hands on science experiments all day. PTA also sponsors Booster marathon Fun Run and Spring Fling which are our major fundraisers. PTA is committed to our educational success through strong school, parent, family, and community involvement.



#### **Student Programs and**

#### **Opportunities Abound!**

#### Accelerated Reader

Extended After School Programs Artist in Residence and Cultural Arts Program Author Visit Award Winning Chorus

Battle of the Books

Challenge Program

Computer Lab and Compass Lab

Greenville Drive Reading All Stars

Health and Safety Fair

Jump Rope for Heart

Math Superstars

National Junior Beta Club

Perfect Attendance Recognition

**Reading Buddies** 

**Reflections Contest** 

Recycling Club

Safety Patrol

Science Fun Day

Science Lab

SEEDS (Literature Enrichment)



Student Book Swap Student Council

Summer Reading Program

Terrific Kids and BUG Awards

W.P.R.E.S. school wide TV broadcast

Weekly Reader