

Ware Shoals Primary School is helping all students develop the World Class Skills of the *Profile of the South Carolina Graduate* by providing a safe, nurturing, and academically challenging learning environment.

Our school's mission is to create a safe learning environment and to instill in our students a growth mindset to motivate them to be successful, independent learners with a clear vision for their future.

- A safe learning environment is a commitment to place each and every student as a priority, focusing on physical and emotional safety. This is accomplished through class meetings and also by clarifying procedures with families and the community.
- A growth mindset is the focus for each learner and adult in the building. Each person is capable of being smarter through hard work, useful strategies, and a dedication to improve from where we are each day.
- To motivate students to be successful, independent learners, teachers offer a variety of instructional strategies that incorporate individual, small group and whole group activities. Teachers also address the individual needs of each student through guided reading and guided math. Students are assessed using a variety of tools to identify areas of strengths and areas for improvement.
- We follow our district's motto "Destination Graduation" and promote a future for each child, focusing on individual strengths and the aspirations to graduate and move beyond - starting as early as pre-K.

We also focus on our district's motto of "Learning, Serving, and Leading" as we broaden our students' knowledge, complete service projects, and foster teamwork.

LEARNING: Our teachers use a variety of instructional strategies such as reading and writing workshop model, math workshop model, STEM, project based learning, and hands-on inquiry. Students have access in the classroom in grades 2-5 and each Pre-K through 1st grade class has a set of iPads. Computer based programs at the school are iStation, Accelerated Reader/STAR, MobyMax and others.

SERVING: Students have opportunities to serve through Student Council and Safety Patrol. Students also visited other classrooms to read to others and participate in group activities. The school counselor also coordinates a year long Adopt-a-Grand community service project with Ware Shoals Manor. Classrooms participate in note writing and contribute in collecting cans for a canned food drive.

LEADING: Students embark on a journey of lifelong learning at Ware Shoals Primary, leading themselves to a vision of their future.

Ware Shoals Primary is fortunate to reside in a community that cares and families who support our mission for the students. Through the hard work of teachers and all adults in the school, along with the support of our school district, community and families, we are confident that we are producing World Class individuals.

Mrs. Debbie Bishop, Principal

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