

Accomplishments

- As a result of our accomplishments with Direct Instruction and the fidelity with which it has been implemented, members of the South Carolina Department of Education recommended and invited other schools to visit our facility and review our implementation procedures.
- JROTC received the Honor Unit of Distinction Award, also they placed 2nd in the Annual Drill Competition.
- The Early Childhood Education Teaching Academy celebrated National Grandparents Day with a workshop that celebrated our grandparents and gave them 10 ways that they can get involved with education.
- Students from EHS received the state farmer's award.
- Students made increases on English HSAP.
- Of all seniors enrolled, 57% have been accepted to at least one college, university, or technical school.
- Approximately 50% have applied for FASFA.
- 15 seniors have received scholarship award letters from accepting colleges.
- 3 EHS seniors have received ALL-State Honors in their respective sports for their athletic accomplishments.
- Conference Champions in boys basketball.

"Creating A Culture of Caring"



Estill High School Mission Statement:

Our mission is to prepare our students to be successful and responsible citizens by providing challenging educational experiences.



REPORT TO THE PARENTS 2010-2011



HOME OF THE FIGHTING GATORS

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School Profile

As we are in the midst of the 2010 – 2011 year we are proud to report that our vision “*Creating a Culture of Caring...It’s Our Time*” is coming into fruition. This is evident through our initiatives and our continued efforts to become a School of Excellence. The staff is dedicated to inspire all students to develop their maximum potential by promoting achievement, cooperation, and self-discipline.

To the members of the community, we would like to make it clearly known that although the school is committed to the success of our students, we cannot do it alone. Without you, members of the community, being actively engaged in Estill High School, the rate of success for our children will be greatly increased.

Improving student achievement continues to be the focus of Estill High School. During the 2010-2011 school year we are continuing to build upon newly implemented programs geared towards improving student achievement. We will continue to reinforce HSAP skills through enrichment activities during the academic day.

As a HSTW site, we constantly stress the importance of the 10 key practices. This is our 9th year as a HSTW site and we have seen continued growth in our faculty, staff and students. We believe that we must continue to work together with the parents and the community to instill character and pride in self, school and community. We encourage our students to help us to “Create a Culture of Caring” because it’s our time now!

Initiatives

- High Schools That Work's (HSTW) 10 Key Practices
- Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) Testing
- Dual Credit Courses at TCL-Beaufort
- Academic Intervention Programs
- Upward Bound and Talent Search through TCL-Beaufort
- 4 x 4 Block Schedule
- Extended Hour of After-School Tutorial
- Student Recognition Ceremonies
- Premier Athletic Program
- Gear-Up
- Emerging Scholars Program
- G.L.O.S.S.
- The LEAGUE

Newly Implemented in 2010- 2011

- Standards-Based Computerized Learning
Using the computer lab for the purpose of diagnosing areas of deficit and prescribing effective strategies that address the needs of our students through the use of the following programs:
 - USA Test-Prep (HSAP and EOCEP)
 - A+ Learning (HSAP and State Standards)
 - Kuta Math Software
- Flexible Grouping & Cooperative Learning
- Student Individualized Performance Plan (S.I.P.P.), a data-driven plan designed to address the **INDIVIDUAL** student.
- **Test Taking Thursdays**
- Awarded the School Improvement Grant (SIG)
- Implementation of Direct Instruction (DI)
- Model Classrooms
- Interactive Data Room



Future Goals

- To develop a Summer Bridge Program for Rising Ninth Graders
- To develop a Freshman Handbook & Academy
- To establish a Math and Science Academy (Robotics and Engineering)
- To become a National Institute for Direct Instruction premier high school for the state of South Carolina.

Principal's Message...

Greetings,

I am excited about being appointed as principal of Estill High School and I am looking forward to working with you this upcoming school year. I realize that serving the students and the teachers is a privilege as well as a tremendous responsibility. I will do my best to inspire all students to develop their maximum potential by promoting achievement, cooperation and self-discipline. I truly believe that our students will benefit from the high expectations of their administrators as well as their teacher’s dedication to their academic and personal success.

My primary goal is to improve the school’s rating on the state report card by promoting academic excellence and by offering instructional programs that address the individual needs of students and faculty. I am proud to say that Estill High School offers a 4x4 block schedule that allows students to focus on fewer courses at one time while completing more courses during the school year. Qualified students have the opportunity to participate in Dual-Enrollment; thus, earning both high school and college credits at the same time.

Finally, I promise to work tirelessly to ensure that our students are prepared for college and careers in the 21st century. As a student-focused administrator, I believe in doing whatever it takes to make students successful. I know with your help and commitment, we are going to have a great year!