#### **Curriculum & Instruction**

- Literacy Coach to support ELA curriculum and instruction
- STEAM Lab, PLTW kits, Mystery Science, etc. for Science instruction to foster inquiry skills
- Field trips, guest speakers, and assembly programs to provide opportunities for students to develop an appreciation of the arts.
- iReady testing and Reading Benchmark testing as tools for instructional planning and differentiating instruction (Academy/Enrichment Time)
- Strategies to promote the effective use of communication skills for second language learners.
- Pacing guides and District Unit Assessments
- Interventionists to assist students in grades K-3<sup>rd</sup> in the area of Reading and Writing
- Math Interventionist to assist students in grades K-5th
- District ELA Specialists
- Yearly awards day and graduations to recognize student achievement

#### **Special Events & Programs**

- PGE Student performed in the District Show, The Lion King.
- 4-year-old pre-school program
- Character skills taught through a community based monthly character skills program, STAR patrol, Author of the Day, PGE Morning News show, and various service learning projects throughout the year.
- Implementation of Title One Plan
- Boys and Girls Club
- A peer mentoring/tutoring student team
- New Student Welcoming Team led by PGE students
- Comprehensive guidance program and career day planned to present career clusters to all students
- Faculty sponsored clubs during the school day for PK-5<sup>th</sup> graders
- Family Events: Literacy Night, Open House, Spring Fling, Grandparents breakfasts, Fall Festival

#### **Parent/Family Communication**

- Online access to Parent Portal for attendance and grades
- School wide communication tool (Class DoJo) used by each grade level/teacher for all students.
- Grade level weekly newsletters and student agendas
- ClassDoJo used by all PGE Staff
- School website, Facebook page, and SMS capabilities
- Parent-Teacher Organization
- School Improvement Council
- Family/Parent Nights
- Back Pack Program
- Church Volunteers

#### 2024-2025 S.I.C.

Ollie Smith, Chair Courtney Powell, Secretary

#### **2024-2025 PTO Officers**

Gary Graham, President Malary Grimsley, Vice-President Lindsey Huffstetler, Treasurer Brooke Harmon, Secretary

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#### **Our Mission:**

Our mission at Pomaria-Garmany Elementary School is to foster an environment where our staff, students, parents, and community members work together to cultivate an atmosphere that promotes leadership, world class skills, and life and career characteristics to be college and/or career ready.

# S.I.C. Report to the Parents 2024-2025

Mrs. Lindsey Folk, Principal lfolk@sdnc.org

Mrs. Casey Willingham cwillingham@sdnc.org

Dear Parents,

At Pomaria-Garmany Elementary School, we are committed to helping all students develop the **World Class Skills** outlined in the **Profile of the South Carolina Graduate**. We do this by fostering a safe, caring, and academically challenging learning environment

where every student can thrive.

Our school vision, "Learn Today, Lead Tomorrow," drives our efforts to create a culture of growth and leadership. Through strong partnerships among staff, students, families, and community members, we work together to build an environment that encourages leadership, critical thinking, and the development of life and career skills that prepare students for college and beyond.

Throughout the year, our staff, parents, and School Improvement Council (SIC) have maintained open lines of communication to ensure we are making the best decisions for our students. If you ever have a question, concern, or even a compliment, please know that I am always available by phone or email.

This summary report provides an overview of our school's performance from last year and outlines our goals for continued progress. To view our full school report card, please visit the link below:

### **PGES** Report Card

If you have any questions about the information in this report, don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you for your continued support of Pomaria-Garmany Elementary School! Sincerely, Lindsey Folk Principal

#### School Renewal/AdvancEd Action Plan

Through the School Renewal/AdvancEd Action Plan, the school has identified the following goals for focus:

- · Student Achievement
- · School Climate
- · Teacher Quality

The School Improvement Council, PTO, faculty and staff at PGE have worked together to address these goals.

#### **Accomplishments**

- Teacher of the Year, Brandy Whitesides
- Angie Heller was selected as the Support Staff of the Year & District SSOTY Runner-Up
- 7 Mindsets Model School
- AdvancED Certification
- CERDEP Certification
- Eleven faculty members are National Board Certified
- Twenty-five teachers with Masters Degrees or higher
- PGE Morning News Show broadcasted daily
- Archery Team qualified to attend the State Tournament
- Student Council with homeroom representatives from 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades
- Interest clubs offered to all students (PK-5<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 Palmetto Silver Award winning school
- 2019 USDA Healthier US School
- Early Literacy Training Site
- 1 to 1 with devices for our students

#### 2023-2024 Faculty & Staff





PGE faculty/staff members:

2024-2025 PGE Teacher of the Year- Brandy Whitesides 2024-2025 PGE Support Staff of the Year- Angie Heller

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