



# PES 2012-2013 REPORT TO PARENTS

May 2013

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We would like to take this opportunity to present a "Report to Parents" to highlight some of the events and activities from throughout this school year.

### School Mission

The mission of Pickens Elementary School, supported by the home and the community, is to enable students to achieve their fullest potential and to be positive, contributing citizens by engaging them in valuable learning experiences in a safe child-centered environment.

#### Pickens Elementary School

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Don't forget to check out the School District of Pickens County website at: <http://www.pickens.k12.sc.us>

### MAP and PASS

Within the next couple of weeks, students in K-5 will complete their Spring testing of the MAP test. Students in grades 3-5 will take the PASS test May 7-10.

### Business Partners

We are currently looking for business partners to help enhance the educational experiences of our students. Please let us know if your company would be interested in partnering with us for the 2013-2014 school year.

### Recent School Accolades

- Palmetto Silver Award
- Red Carpet School
- Safe Kids Safe Schools
- Value Added 4 with TAP
- ESEA Waiver Overall School Average: "A"

### Connections with Parents

- Meet the Teacher
- Open House
- Reading Night
- Math and Science Night
- PES Health Fair
- ParentLink Phone Messaging System
- School Improvement Council (SIC)
- Weekly Class Newsletters
- Monthly School Newsletters
- School Website

### In the Classroom

- Zoo-phonics
- Positive Behavior Interventions & Support
- Guided Reading
- District Literacy Model
- Leveled Literacy Interventions
- Literacy by Design
- Data Analysis
- Flexible Grouping
- Differentiation

### Technology

- Polyvision Boards in all Classrooms (new in May!)
- Laptops for all Teachers
- Two Computer Labs
- Classworks Software
- School/Teacher Webpages
- ETV Streamline
- Use of iPads

### Assessment

- MAP Testing (K-5th)
- PASS (3rd-5th)
- ITBS/CogAT (2nd)
- DRA (K-5th)

### Clubs and After School

- Good News Club
- Chorus
- Safety Patrol
- Student Council
- After School Care
- YAMs
- Hope Club

### Special Events on Campus

- Book Fairs
- Red Ribbon Week
- Boosterthon
- BINGO Night
- Traveling Trash Bash
- Grade Level Musicals
- American Education Week
- Awards Night
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Dr. Seuss Day
- Buddy's Safety House
- PASS Pep Rally with emcee JDew
- March Madness PBIS Class Challenge
- MVP Celebrations
- Honor Roll Banners