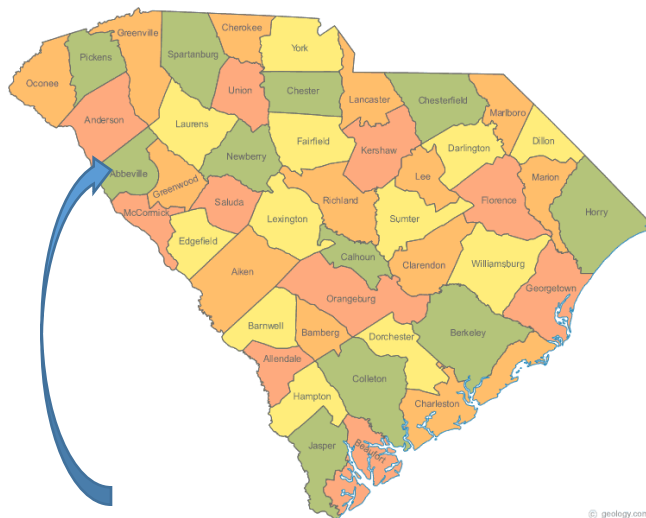


The mission of *Diamond Hill Elementary* School is to challenge students every day to learn and to be a shining success in school and in life.

Our beliefs:

- Student learning is the chief priority for the school.
- Each student is a valued individual with unique physical, social, emotional and intellectual needs.
- All students can learn.
- The commitment to continuous improvement is imperative if our school is going to enable students to become confident, self-directed, lifelong learners.
- Exceptional students require special services and resources.
- Curriculum and instructional practices should incorporate a variety of learning activities to accommodate differences in learning styles.
- A student's self-esteem is enhanced by positive relationships and mutual respect among and between students and staff.
- Teachers, administrators, parents and the community share the responsibility for advancing the school's mission.

**Diamond Hill Elementary is located in Abbeville County, S.C., between Antreville and Lowndesville. We are 13 miles north of the city of Abbeville, 20 miles south of Anderson, S.C., and about 15 miles east of the Georgia line.**



Located in the “*Nation*” Community

104 Lake Secession Road

Abbeville, SC 20620

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**From Abbeville** – Highway 28 north approximately 7 miles. Turn left on Flat Rock Rd., approximately 6 miles on right.

**From Anderson** – Highway 28 south approximately 17 miles. Turn right on Highway 284. Go 3 miles and turn right on Lake Secession Rd. Diamond Hill will be on the right.



**Diamond Hill  
Elementary**



Diamond Hill Elementary School is "A great place to shine"! A rural school with a population of approximately 315 students in grades four-year-old kindergarten through seven, Diamond Hill Elementary School is the heart of the "Nation" community. Family values and pride are ingredients that drive all members of our school family to be the best! Located in western Abbeville County, the ethnicity of the school is 86% Caucasian, 13% African American, 1% other. The socioeconomic status of our families is in the range of low to middle income. We have 67% of our students on free or reduced meals. We offer free breakfast to all students.

Diamond Hill Elementary School is dedicated in helping all students develop the world-class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe and family environment. In the classroom, our faculty and staff are second to none! The dedication and love that they give to these children will last a lifetime. The former students returning to visit faculty and staff are a testament to that.

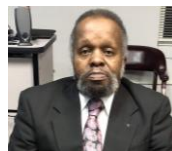
Our mission is, "Challenging students every day to be a shining success in school and in life." Our plan for school wide reform was designed to develop critical thinking skills, integrated communication skills, active student participation in school and community activities, uniqueness of individuals, and lifelong learning. We strive to both strengthen and accelerate student learning in the areas of reading, mathematics, science, and social studies. We offer gifted education for those qualifying and we implement effective interventions to enhance the daily learning environment for all students, as well as build a positive climate for their success. In developing world-class skills, we integrate technology into each subject. However, we feel there is no substitute for student / teacher relationships and strive to keep those as strong as ever. That is the backbone of our school and our beliefs!

With the hard work of faculty, staff, students, parents, and community Diamond Hill is truly a great place to shine!

Todd Ramey, Principal / Emily Busby, "SIC Chair"



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Our Board Member

*Mr. Marwin Peoples*

In March of 2020, the world shut down. None of us knew what was next and couldn't really make a good guess. Not many of us thought that we would not return to school for the year. But, it happened. People began to recognize new brands of "Heros"! Recognizing those who should have already been on the list.

One more group should be added...our students. Starting school on our regular schedule this year, we had two-thirds of our enrollment come face-to-face. They came with their masks, their "hanitizer", and their supplies. Our students went to work and haven't looked back. What could have been a disaster, was a show of strength! Students who stayed home to work online had to learn a completely new way to "learn"! Another show of strength and endurance.

I couldn't be more proud of the Diamond Hill students, as well as others who have endured. Our motto is "A Great Place To Shine", and boy did they!

Our students walked in on the first day with masks strapped tight. Some flowery, some camoflage, cartoon characters, or just a blue surgical mask. Masks were lost, some were broken.

Computers became even more important. Some were lost, some were broken.

It has indeed been a different kind of year, but our students have been heros! As we approach the end of a very successful year, they still have those masks on tight. And when they take them off, I bet you'll still see a smile! Way to go Diamond Hill!

