### Parent Organizations



Mr. David Staples, Chair

Ms. Tywania Daniels, Parent Mrs. Kennis Dawson, Community Member Dr. Marshalynn Franklin, Principal Ms. Molly McLaren, Parent Ms. Chrystal Owens, Teacher Ms. Katie Prizer, Teacher Mrs. Sarah Bradford, Parent Dr. Marla Sanders, Community Member (Columbia College) Mrs. Cookie Winburn, Community Member (USC)



Mrs. Lisa Peck, Committee Member Mrs. Sylvia Vice, Committee Member Mrs. Kimberly Washington, Treasurer

### Extracurricular Activities

Student Organizations Art Club Chorus North Star News Team Library Squad Green Team D.A.R.E. E.S.O.L. Club Girls on the Run Run Hard Fort CARE

#### Family Programs/Events

Early Risers Afternoon Explorers Family Math Night @ Publix Family Science Night New Family Orientation Kindergarten Camp Daddy-Daughter Dance Mother-Son Dance



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# Polo Road Elementary



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Polo Road Elementary School, in partnership with our global community, promotes a safe, respectful and challenging environment where learners explore opportunities to change tomorrow.

> School Hours 8:00 a.m.—2:50 p.m.

Total student enrollment - 677 Grades - Pre-K through 5

## 2016 Report to Parents

## School Highlights & Awards

**Red Carpet Award** 2008

Palmetto Silver Award 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

> Palmetto Gold Award 2014, 2015

Absolute Rating—Excellent Growth Rating—Excellent

Polo Road Elementary is a school committed to excellence. We endeavor to immerse our students in innovative, engaging, intellectually challenge learning experiences. Likewise, our teachers and staff participate in on-going professional development to remain abreast of current education research and best practices, equipping us to meet the needs of our diverse student population.

Our past and present successes are a direct result of the participation and involvement of our students, parents, school personnel and community members. The Polo Road community continues to demonstrate our school motto: Learning Today to Change Tomorrow.

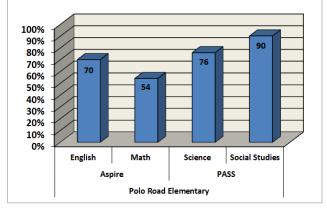
## **Student Information**

677 Students 16 Native Languages Student Attendance Rate—97% Active Duty Military—15.1%

> 47% African American 14% White 6% Asian 29% Hispanic 4% Other

## Academics

#### Percent of Students Meeting State Standard/Benchmark



Polo Road Elementary School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by:

- Providing challenging, meaningful and engaging learning . experiences
- Planning the implementation of a English-Spanish Dual • Language Immersion program
- The use of 1:1 computing in grades 3 through 5 and ac-. cess to mobile devices in grades K through 2
- Applying the principal of "teaching up" in daily instruc-. tion
- Facilitating a character education model that includes school-wide behavior expectations, character traits and an interdependent incentive component
- . Providing a plethora of services to meet unique student needs

Richland School District Two does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, or other protected characteristic in its programs and activities.

## Goals for the next school year

- $\Diamond$ Continue garnering community support by sharing positive stories with the public
- $\Diamond$ Implementation of SC State Academic Standards
- $\Diamond$ Design engaging learning experiences in all content areas
- $\Diamond$ Continue to involve classified staff members in professional learning experiences
- $\Diamond$ Utilize a Professional Learning Team model for professional development
- $\Diamond$ Implement Phase 1 of Dual Language Immersion (English/Spanish)







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# **Staff Information**

98 Employees 20 National Board Certified Teachers **Over 700 Years of Combined Teaching Experience** Teacher Attendance Rate—97%

Mrs. Morgan Humphries - Teacher of the Year