

Parent Organizations



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Extracurricular Activities

Student Organizations

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 Science Night

New Family Orientation

Kindergarten Camp

Father-Son Games

Mother-Daughter Soiree

EdVenture Night en Espanol



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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 - 650
Grades - Pre-K through 5

2015 Report to Parents

School Highlights & Awards

Red Carpet Award
2008

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

Palmetto Gold Award
2014

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.

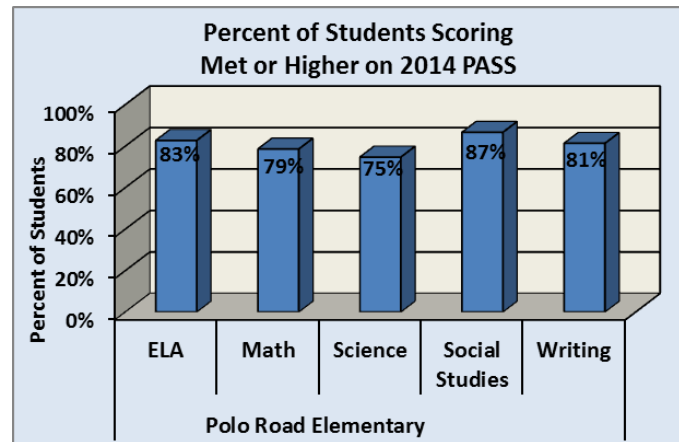
Our past and present successes are a direct result of the participation and involvement of our students, parents, school personnel and community members. The Polo Road community continues to demonstrate our school motto: *Learning Today to Change Tomorrow.*

Student Information

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

47% African American
17% White
7% Asian
26% Hispanic
3% Other

Academics



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 access to mobile devices in grades K through 2
- Applying the principal of “teaching up” in daily instruction
- 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

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



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Staff Information

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

Mr. James McTeer Teacher of the Year