

AMBLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT REPORT

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The School Summary Report of the Act 135 School Renewal Plan is prepared in order to share with Ambler Elementary School parents and children the activities and accomplishments of the 2009-2010 school year, and the goals planned for the 2010-2011 year.

MISSION STATEMENT

Ambler Elementary School, committed to academic excellence, will provide a strong foundation for all students by ensuring a safe, nurturing environment where staff, family, and community work together to emphasize relevant and challenging learning experiences.

OBJECTIVES

- 1.) 100% of our students will achieve district-established standards.
- 2.) 100% of our students will be prepared to achieve at the next educational level.
- 3.) 100% of our parents will become actively involved in their child's education.
- 4.) 100% of our students will participate in the citizenship activities.

STRATEGIES

- We will ensure a safe, nurturing well-maintained environment.
- We will develop and implement a student-centered instructional program to ensure student success at the next educational level.
- We will increase the number of students participating in citizenship activities.
- We will develop and implement a plan to encourage parental involvement in their child's education.

SUMMARY OF 2009-2010

- Received an Excellent Absolute Rating for student achievement by State Department.
- Received the Exemplary Writing Award for 2002-2005 by the Writing Improvement Network
- Received the Red Carpet School Award for 2002-2005 by the State Department for being a family-friendly school.
- Implemented Core Essential Character Education Program sponsored by Chick-fil-A.
- The Reflections Team planned service learning projects.
- Received an Ameri Corps Team in May for landscaping project.
- Students participated in the District Science Fair.
- Drama Club put on a play at Arts and Cats.
- A Field Day was held to promote physical fitness.
- Tina Kelly, our Guidance Counselor, received a \$3,100 grant to help beautify our school grounds..
- The Accelerated Reader Program was continued with the addition of a Reading Wall Display.
- A Spring Arts & Cats Festival was held.

GOALS AND PRIORITITES FOR 2010-2011

- To score in the top 1/3 on PASS scores or top 5 out of 15 elementary schools in terms of percentage meeting standards in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades.
- To continue use of our computer lab to help supplement academic instruction and expose our students to technology.
- To continue curriculum alignment and mapping of South Carolina standards.
- To encourage citizenship by scheduling students to lead the pledge daily.
- To continue Flag Patrol and "Wild Cat of the Week" Program.
- To continue Ambler Terrific Kids program.
- To continue our Incentive Tags Program to praise and encourage our Ambler students for worthy recognition such as Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance, Wildcat of the Week, etc.

