

OUR VISION:

Preparing students to be 21st Century learners through purposeful teaching, communication and collaboration.

Communication
Collaboration
Purposeful Teaching
for
21st Century Learners

OUR CORE BELIEFS:

All students can learn.
All students have unique talents and abilities.
High academic achievement is a priority.
All members of the community share responsibilities for success.

December 7, 2012

C.C. Pinckney Elementary

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Ms. Annie Crandle, Principal
Dr. Taminika Shadd, Administrative Officer

“Every Student Matters, Every Moment Counts”

Calendar

December 18

Band/Chorus Concert 7PM

December 21- Jan 3, 2013

Winter Break – No School

January 4, 2013

Professional Development
No School

January 7, 2013

School Resumes

January 9, 2013

School Board Meeting
4PM

Principal’s Message

We have completed another exciting week at CCP!

Our students are taking their mid-year Scholastic Reading Inventory (SRI) tests. I’m hearing from some teachers that improvement is being shown by all students! Students chart their progress in their data folders, so that they can also see the progress they are making.

Our counselor and 6th grade teachers met with the counselor from Dent Middle School and began developing a plan for a smoother transition for our students. We are also planning some activities locally to assist our students. We are planning to do a mock middle school schedule, purchase combination locks for our students to practice using and other strategies to better prepare our students for middle school. If you would like more information on Dent Middle School, please visit the website at richland2.org, go to schools, go to the middle schools and click on Dent Middle.

CCP Ambassadors: *All students are bringing home today an application to be a CC Pinckney Ambassadors.*

Students selected to serve will take visitors, new students and parents on a tour of our school. They will share our vision, pledge, school goals and other pertinent information about our school. Please sign the application giving permission for your child to participate if selected.

Stakeholders continue to grow . . . New parent on Continuous School Improvement Team (CSI) is Mrs. H. She is replacing Mrs. R, who is PCSing this month.

Annie Crandle

**Prepared
Alert
Talented
Responsible
Inspired
On track
To achieve
Success**

Superintendent’s Forum

11:00AM – 1:00PM

January 9, 2013

Superintendent’s Office Hours

11AM-2PM

December 11th

December 20th



DATA CORNER:



Proficiency Summary Report



CLASS:

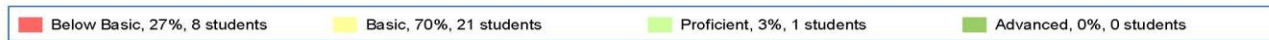
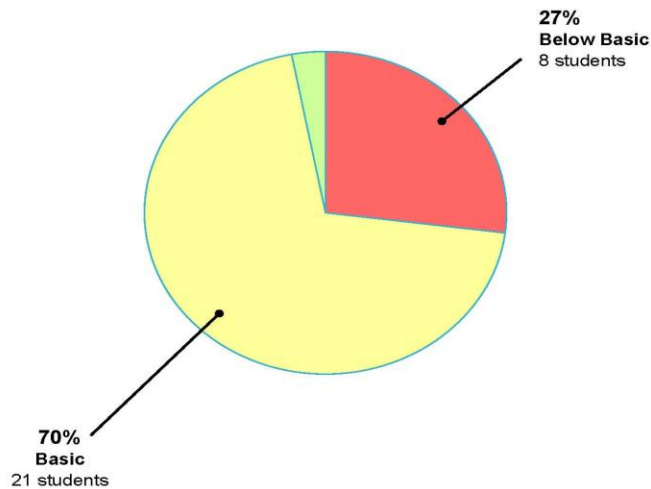
School: C C Pinckney Elem

Teacher:

Grade: 3, 4, 5, 6

Time Period: 08/16/12 – 10/18/12

Total Students: 30



YEAR-END PROFICIENCY LEXILE® RANGE

GRADE 1	GRADE 2	GRADE 3	GRADE 4	GRADE 5	GRADE 6	GRADE 7	GRADE 8	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
100-400	300-600	500-800	600-900	700-1000	800-1050	850-1100	900-1150	1000-1200	1025-1250	1050-1300	1050-1300

Using This Report

Purpose: This report shows the reading performance of students within a district, school, grade, or for an individual teacher, class, or group.

Follow-Up: Identify districts or schools that are not showing adequate growth over time. Contact principals or other administrators to discuss strategies for maximizing the performance of students in their schools.

C.C. PINCKNEY
Principal's Forum - Coffee and Chat

Our goal is to foster effective communications and relationships with and among our stakeholders. In an effort to accomplish this goal, a monthly and quarterly forum has been established.

When: Every 4th Wednesday of the Month from 11:00AM-12:00PM
Next Forum is December 12, 2012

Where: C.C. Pinckney

What: During each forum, I will be available to answer questions, concerns and gather feedback on how we can improve our services for our military families. At the conclusion of the session and within a two week time frame, I will respond in writing to any and all questions that were not answered during the forum. These responses will be communicated to all stakeholders through the weekly parent newsletter or individually as appropriate.

Questions, Concern, Comments

[CLICK HERE](#)

WEDNESDAY WALKERS: November 28, 2012

On a cool and sunny afternoon, **54** club members totaled **214** laps or **71** miles. We have left **Ruston, Louisiana** and have in **Shreveport, Louisiana!** If we had driven this distance it would have taken 1 hour and 4 minutes. We were missing many chorus members, but know next week we should arrive in the great state of Texas!

This week **5** students have earned the **red** foot which is at least **10** miles! Congratulations to **Kyle B, Bryah F, Caliel G, Kamaal S, and Gabrielle W!**

Welcome to our newest members: **Sasha H, Savannah H, and Kylie T.** Thank you to our newest parent volunteers, **Sgt. and Mrs. Gregory H.**

Remember...after you have checked out, walk straight home or go to the front of school to be picked up by car. You cannot stay on the playground.

Keep moving, hydrate, eat right, and get plenty of sleep. See you Wednesday!

Nurse P

"Deck the Halls"

Parents, you are invited to take a holiday tour of the halls at C.C. Pinckney as we celebrate "Deck the Halls" with student work and data! This activity will take place on December 19, from 10:30 -11:00. Come stroll the hallways and view student work, sip on a warm beverage and sample a cookie or two! We look forward to your visit, as we celebrate and highlight student accomplishments.



STUDENT ACTIVITIES & PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Continuous School Improvement Team (CSI)

The CSI Team meets every Monday from 3:15 – 4:15PM in the professional development room B-147.

Success Club

Success Club meets on Mondays, from 2:55-3:45PM For further information contact Debbie M @ 803-787-6815.

Wednesday Walkers

Wednesday Walkers meets on Wednesday's from 2:55– 3:30PM Ms. P is asking for parent volunteers to help monitor our students' progress. For further information, contact Ms. Plyler at 803-787-6815.

Technology Club

The Technology Club meets on Mondays from 2:55 – 3:40PM. Mr. P can be contacted at 803-787-6815.

5th Grade: November 5, 26, December 3, 10 & January 7, 14 & 28, 2013.

4th Grade: February 4, 11, 25 & March 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2013

3rd Grade: April 8, 15, 22 & 29 & May 6, 13 & 20, 2013

Fitness Club meets on Tuesdays from 2:55-3:45PM. Session II will be January 8-March 19, 2013. For further information contact Ms. B at 803-787-6815.

Science Club meets on Friday's, 3:00-4:30PM. For further information contact Ms. W at 787-6815.

Art Club meets on Mondays from 3:00-4:30PM. First session dates are Oct 15, Oct 22, 29; November 5, 19, 26; December 3, 10, 17; January 14, 28 and February 4, 2013. For further information contact Ms. F at 803-787-6815. The dates for the Session II are February 11, 25; March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 8, 15, 22, 29 and May 6, 13 and 20.

***Please note, red indicates revised dates.**

News from Your Counselor Parents Make the Difference

Parent Quiz

Are You Helping Your Child Develop Good Work Habits?

Here's a quiz to see if you're helping your child develop good work habits. Give yourself five points for everything you usually do, zero points for something you never do-or any score in between.

1. **We have a regular** schedule. There's a time for homework, a time for meals and a time for bed
2. **I expect my child** to complete assignments on time.
3. **I expect my child** to turn in work that is acceptably neat.
4. **I expect my child** to do her best.
5. **We go over homework** after the teacher grades it. We redo things that were incorrect.

How did you score? Above 20 means you're helping your child develop excellent work habits. Fifteen to 19 is average. Below 15? Try ideas from the quiz to help your child learn better habits. **Please feel free to contact Mrs. M at 787-6815 ext. 2642 if you need help with this topic or any other concerns.**

Seeking Feedback on New Attendance Policy

At the beginning of the school year, DoDEA introduced a new attendance policy similar to those found in most school districts in the U.S. The intent of the policy is to strike a fair and consistent balance between the academic needs of students and the unique needs of military families. To gauge the levels of awareness, effectiveness and satisfaction with the new DoDEA attendance policy, DDESS/DoDDS-Cuba has developed a voluntary, anonymous poll for all stakeholders—students, parents, employees, military leaders, etc. The online poll runs through May 31 and takes only five minutes to complete. The data from the poll will be analyzed to determine if refinements and improvements are needed. We're listening so please tell us what you think of the new DoDEA attendance policy: <https://www.research.net/s/789HM97>.

From your PTO:

Thanks to all who volunteered, participated and donated items to make our first dual school Fall Fun Fest a huge success! We look forward to having more awesome events with Pierce Terrace.

A Gift Wrapping Volunteer Event at the PX is scheduled for Friday, December 21 from 5 pm-9 pm and on Sunday, December 23 from 1 pm-5 pm. Please email our volunteer coordinator at patriotsvolunteer@gmail.com if you are interested in taking a shift to work at this event. What ever your availability is, we appreciate your help and support. We have a wonderful opportunity to raise funds and provide a great service at a very prime location at the PX, so please help us make these events successful! If we do not have enough parent volunteers to wrap at these events, we will cancel these dates, so please let us know as soon as possible so we can make the appropriate arrangements and decisions.

Our last Box Top Collection was a huge success! We earned \$673.00! So please keep clipping, they really add up!

Lifetouch school pictures can still be purchased! If you did not purchase a portrait package yet for your child from their fall picture session, it is not too late to do so. Please contact Lifetouch to make arrangements for ordering your pictures before 15 December to avoid a 6 week delay! They will generally get pictures back to us within 2 weeks of receiving an order. They will be delivered to the school. (803) 788-1620.

PTO FUNDRAISER

Our next Fundraising Project has begun!!

The PTO will be collecting and recycling small electronics, cell phones, inkjet cartridges, and laser cartridges. Please place these items in our box located in the cafeteria. This is a great way to get rid of those items that are just taking up space in your house.

Thank you, The PTO.

NEW DODEA ATTENDANCE POLICY

Due to recent inquiries, the new DoDEA attendance policy is attached for your review. It was initially distributed at the following events: Meet and Greet, Coffee and Chat and the Open House. Excerpts were also provided in the Parent Newsletter.

The excerpt below from *DoDEA REGULATION 2095.01* is provided for your review. Please see the attachment for the full regulation regarding school attendance.

PURPOSE. This Regulation establishes policy and assigns responsibilities for student attendance in DoDEA schools.

- (1) All students are required to attend school for 180 instructional days per school year (subject to exceptions noted within this policy) to ensure continuity of instruction, successfully meet academic standards and demonstrate continuous educational progress.**
- (2) Except for exigent circumstances, absences such as family vacations and absences during standardized testing will be unexcused.**
- (3) Medical appointments and other discretionary appointments should be scheduled during non-school time to maximize student learning.**
- (4) School attendance is a joint responsibility between the parent or sponsor, the student, the classroom teacher, and the school. The parent or sponsor should make every attempt to ensure their children attend school each day school is in session and also establish regular communication with the classroom teacher.**
- (5) A student educational monitoring plan shall be implemented during all pre-approved extended absences to mitigate the negative impact on a student's educational program. This plan will provide a comparable experience to the traditional classroom or course in content, rigor, and expectations for completion of assignments.**
- (6) Students with excessive school absences, as defined in this Regulation, will be monitored by the Student Support Team to assist students in the completion of all required work and successfully master course objectives.**