

F.J. DELAINE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Grades: Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth
School Colors: Black and Gold
School Mascot: Super Bee
School Theme: "The Hive is Where We Strive for Excellence"
Enrollment: 127
Average Class Size: 23

Brief Summary of Instructional Program _____

F. J. DeLaine Elementary helps all students develop the world class skills, life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by providing a caring and safe environment where we build life-long learners who are given the necessary tools to excel in academics and in social responsibility. Our school vision is "Building a legacy of academic excellence and social responsibility, one student at a time." We work to achieve this vision by focusing on professional development for staff, fostering relationships with our parents and community, and providing opportunities for our students to learn in both the classroom and by experience through field trips and use of advanced technology.

To be effective educators, we must be life-long learners. We participate in regular professional development through workshops here at the school, in the district, and statewide. We focus our professional development on the Read to Succeed initiative led by our reading coach. Our School Improvement Council supports the Read to Succeed

initiative by providing leveled text to increase classroom libraries. Community members voluntarily provide books for our students as well as members of sororities to help students increase their personal libraries at home. Our local mall also provides Sumter READS (Recognize, Encourage, Achieve, Dream, Succeed) Spirit Night and Recognition Night. In addition, we are excited about our partnership with Read to Them: One School, One Book initiative. The objective of the initiative is to increase student achievement by educating families about the importance of reading aloud to their children.

To increase parental and community involvement, we encourage parents to become volunteers. We also provide opportunities for participation through math, reading and science parent workshops, parent-teacher conference days/nights, and PTA meetings where our students perform. We embrace the support from our local military members at Shaw Air Force Base, agencies such as Clemson Cooperative Extension, and United Way Diamonds.

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Outstanding Features/Programs

- After School STEM Program
- America Corps Volunteers In Service To America (VISTA)
- Gifted and Talented (Quest) Program
- Girl Scouts
- Heart for Schools
- Mentoring Programs
- Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)
- One-to-One Technology
- Science Fair
- United Way Men's Program (Character Building Chess Club)

Recent Awards and Honors

- AdvancEd Accreditation
- Student Recipient of Scholarship to the Sumter Gallery of Art
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Winners of Sumter County Fair Art Show

Extracurricular Activities

- Book-It-Club
- D.A.R.E. Program
- Fourth and Fifth Grade Chorus
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Safety Patrol
- STEM (Afterschool Program)
- Student Council

School Incentives

- Attendance Celebration
- Birthday Recognition
- BUG (Bringing Up Grades) Recognition
- Honey Bee Store
- Effort Honor Roll
- Highest Average Award
- Honor Roll Awards
- Most Improved Academic Award
- Perfect Attendance Award
- Related Arts Awards
- Super Bee Character/Behavior Program
- Super Bee Tokens

- Terrific Kids Program
- Writer of the Month

Community Involvement

- American Heart Walk
- My Community and Me
- Parent Teacher Association
- Parent Volunteer Program
- Principal for the Day
- Quarterly Parent Newsletter
- Relay for Life
- School Business Partnership Program
- School Improvement Council
- Shower Shaw with Cookies
- United Way Campaign

Parent and Teacher Opportunities

- Fall Festival
- Family Literacy-One School, One Book Project
- Father and Daughter Dance
- Open House
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- School Improvement Council (SIC)
- Volunteers

Faculty Profile

- 1 Administrator
- 1 Secretary
- 1 Systems Administrator/Receptionist
- 11 Teachers
- 4 Paraprofessionals
- 4 Cafeteria Workers
- 3 Custodians
- 1 School Counselor (2 Days Weekly)
- 1 Media Specialists (3 Days Weekly)
- 1 Art Teacher (2 Days Weekly)
- 1 Physical Education Teacher (2 Days Weekly)
- 1 Music Teacher (2 Days Weekly)
- 1 Speech Therapist
- 1 Instructional Coach
- 1 Reading Coach-National Board Certified Teacher