

A GLIMPSE AT CLEARWATER

Elementary School



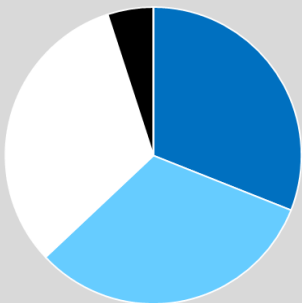
Clearwater is a 54,416 square foot elementary school that was established in 1966 to serve the small textile village of Clearwater. In 1993, the school added four classrooms, a multi-purpose room, offices, and a new media center. With 35 classrooms and 480 students, Clearwater Elementary is a quaint little school with lots of potential for growth.



Clearwater Elementary is heavily-focused on reading success. As a whole, 65% of our students are reading at or above grade level. Sixty-five percent of third grade students are reading at or above grade level, 61% of fourth grade, and 70% of fifth grade.



Our school library has a considerable inventory with approximately 12,000 items including books, audio books, leveled book set collections and class sets. We average 16,000 in circulation each year. Our media center is also where we film our morning news show using our Wirecast video system.



STUDENT COMPOSITION

- 31% Caucasian/white students
- 32% African American/black
- 32% Hispanic
- 5% other nationalities.





Afterschool care is available each day from 2:30-6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday right here at our school. Prime Time is operated by the YMCA and provides on-site afterschool homework help and engaging activities for our students.



Parent and community involvement is always encouraged and appreciated. Clearwater Elementary has an active School Improvement Council and Parent Teacher Association. In addition, various volunteer groups, like North Augusta First Baptist, lend their time and talents to support our students' success.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Clearwater Elementary encourages students to reach for their best potential. Students are able to audition to become a member of the CES Chorus. Students are also invited to take part in Battle of the Books Book Club. We also host a yearly Arts Extravaganza where students showcase their artistic talents to the community.



SPECIAL NEEDS

We are committed to a quality educational experience for all students, including struggling learners and those with special needs. We have 8 teacher aides, 2 reading recovery teachers, 7 volunteer grandmothers, and a full-time nurse.



COMMUNICATION

We utilize our website, e-flyers, an automated calling system, newsletters, regular teacher communication and teacher conferences to stay in consistent communication with the families we serve.



SECURITY

The safety of students and staff members is our top priority. Our extensive security measures include a keyless entry system and automated background checks on all visitors and volunteers.



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