



Kitty Hawk Elementary School

Principal's Message

WELCOME to Kitty Hawk Elementary School, a North Carolina Honor School of Excellence.

With over 60 years of rich history, Kitty Hawk Elementary School continues to provide a quality education for all students. By linking the North Carolina Standard Course of Study to 21st Century Learning Skills, we help students learn what they will need to be successful in the future. We are proud of our tradition that provides a relevant and rigorous curriculum in a positive learning environment for students at all levels. Our expectations are high, and our students and parents understand that we will work together and do whatever it takes to meet the needs of every student.

Our faculty and staff subscribe to a philosophy of reflective thinking that leads toward continuous improvement. We believe that relationships are important, and our staff works proactively to build an atmosphere of mutual respect that promotes learning. At Kitty Hawk Elementary School, our school motto is "By reaching high, we fly." We continuously assess progress toward our school goals so we can reach higher and fly further than ever before.

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Total KHES students: 440 EC: 9.3% AIG: 9.5%



KHES

ABCs Accountability Outcomes

Honor School of Excellence

High Growth

Met all targets under AYP

School Improvement Goals:

- Decrease the number of students reading below grade level.
- Increase rigor and stretch learning activities in all grades and subject areas.
- Use Responsiveness to Instruction progress monitoring and universal benchmark screening to monitor student learning.

2010-2011 Accomplishment Highlights:

- A team of three KHES teachers, technology coordinator Brian Wehner, media specialist Ellen Bryson, and kindergarten teacher Nicole Farrell, received the NC Technology in Education Society (NCTIES) 2011 Media Specialist Technology Innovation Award.
- KHES is participating in the NC Department of Public Instruction's "Reading 3-D" program. This program uses technology in grades K-5 to assess students in the "big ideas" of reading, phonemic awareness, alphabetic principle, fluency with text, vocabulary, and comprehension. This student information helps teachers plan their lessons and makes suggestions for specific activities to increase students' success in reading.
- Classroom teachers were trained in AIMSweb technology to universally screen and monitor students in math.
- Third grade teachers received a Dare Education Foundation 21st Century Skills grant to support a Connecting Communities project.
- Students in fourth and fifth grades participated in writing workshops with author Jon Lewis.
- Students in kindergarten through third grade met with children's book illustrator Brandon Dorman to learn how he uses technology to illustrate children's books.
- Three KHES Odyssey of the Mind teams qualified for state competition.
- KHES is involved in the community through projects including Jump Rope for Heart and Christmas Wish Foundation. The 2011 Empty Bowls dinner and silent auction held at KHES raised over \$5,000 to support local food banks.