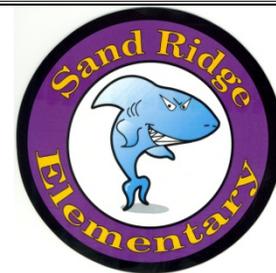




Sand Ridge Elementary School  
"A Global Partner"  
2012-2015



*"Students Reaching Excellence in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century"*

**School Executive's Message:** Sand Ridge provides students with a sound educational foundation during the formative years of educational development in preparation for high school graduation and successful post-secondary career choices. Sand Ridge became a certified distance learning site on the NC Information Highway (NCIH) in 2007-08, an individual school partner with World View in the 2009-10 school year and a themed school for the 2010-11 school year. We believe it is important to offer opportunities to our students that will advance their educational preparedness for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. This year, through a partnership with VIF International Education, we are proud to offer a Spanish Immersion program to our incoming kindergarteners, *SPLASH!* Our partnerships demonstrate a commitment to prepare students for success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century with international education programs centered on world language education, global awareness and cultural exposure in order to live and work in a rapidly changing, globally connected world.

**Key Areas of Focus for 2012-2015**

- Raising the level of community engagement at Sand Ridge
- Continued implementation of Spanish Immersion program SPLASH! through 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the next five years
- Connecting our students to the global community through the use of Common Core and Essential Standards curriculum
- Increase implementation of the AVID model to strengthen our ability to reach students' individual needs from kindergarten to fifth grade
- Strengthening transitional processes for students entering kindergarten, third and sixth grade.

**Key Challenges to Address for 2012-2015**

- Missed AMO targets in mathematics for total population, and reading for our white population, 4<sup>th</sup> grade proficiencies dropped in both reading and mathematics
- Increasing community involvement in a largely military community that experiences higher than average student turnover rate, 95 student records sent out as of 10-2-2012
- Increasing growth overall as a school, especially at grade five and for AIG students
- Implementation of Common Core and Essential Standards with fidelity
- Disaggregation of formative and summative data to inform instructional practices

**Anticipated Outcomes of 2012-2015 Sand Ridge Strategic Plan**

The goal of our strategic plan is to increase the overall growth and achievement rates of all of our students, increasing staff awareness and understanding of formative and summative data, increasing staff members' ability to use data to inform instruction and then build upon that increased understanding. By focusing on school-wide implementation of a positive behavior management program, we will systematically decrease discipline referrals throughout the building. We will increase community involvement through a variety of opportunities offered at various times, both day and night, to all stakeholders, not just parents.

