



# White Knoll Elementary School

LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

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**Principal:** Elizabeth Whisennant

**Assistant Principals:** Angelo DiBiase and Martha Goff

**Grades Served:** 4K–5

**Student Enrollment:** 712

**School Motto:** We love. We learn. We lead.

*Empower each child to design the future.*

White Knoll Elementary students will become self-directed, collaborative, creative and caring learners who will flourish in the global, competitive 21st century.

**All students, regardless of circumstances, advance on time, prepared to graduate and ready to enter college, the military or industry with certification.**

White Knoll Elementary aspires to meet the personalized needs of each child. We focus on the development of the whole child by teaching academics, social-emotional learning, and power skills at all grade levels. We believe these three things coupled with data-driven school systems create the conditions for success. We strive to reach the potential of every child under our care.

**Teaching and learning develop power skills in all students.**

The WKES power skills are: responsibility, critical thinking, communication, bravery, kindness, integrity, perseverance, and teamwork. These character traits were selected for their direct impact on success in and outside of school. We teach these habits directly through our morning meetings and embed them in our core instruction. With these skills, we believe that every Timberwolf will excel.

**Our schools are service-oriented centers of learning, committed to family and community partnerships.**

White Knoll Elementary students benefit when we all work together. Building community with our families and business partners only strengthens what we can do for children. We have a parent liaison whose sole focus is to create and build these valuable connections. We work hard to build positive relationships with our families through streamlined communication, school events, family field trips, and monthly family challenges. Our students directly benefit from our community partnerships through financial donations, weekly snack packs, a clothing closet, and no cost school supplies. We truly are better together.

**Every adult will be equipped with the skills and resources necessary to advocate for and ensure the success of all students.**

It is no mistake that love comes first in our school motto. We believe that love creates a foundation that all can grow from and that learning does not happen without this positive relationship. This foundation of love extends to all in our school community and gives our teachers the security they need to serve as an advocate for their students. We further support this advocacy through systems of intervention, personalized professional learning and the use of data to identify school and student needs. At WKES: We love. We learn. We lead.