



UPWARD ELEMENTARY

ANNUAL PARENT MEETING



WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- Michael Gates, Principal
- Omar Lemus, Assistant Principal

UPWARD ELEMENTARY

What is Title 1?

- Financial assistance for school districts and schools that have a high percentage of students from low income families.
- At Upward, we use the financial assistance to purchase teaching positions used to reduce class sizes, purchase teacher assistants to assist with instruction, purchase technology equipment, and pay tutors to work with students.

UPWARD ELEMENTARY

North Carolina Accountability

- Assessments used:
 - Beginning of Grade (3rd Grade Reading)
 - Read to Achieve (3rd Grade Reading)
 - iReady Diagnostics (Math all grades)
 - mCLASS (Literacy Assessment for all grades)
 - NC Check-Ins (Benchmarks for 3rd-5th Grade)
 - End of Grade (3rd-5th Grade)
 - WIDA ACCESS PLACEMENT TEST (W-APT)
- School Results
 - **EOG Performance 2024-25:**
 - Math:3rd- 45.1% proficiency, 4th- 49.1% Proficiency, 5th- 39.7% proficiency
 - Reading:3rd- 26.8% proficiency, 4th- 39.6% Proficiency, 5th- 40.3% proficiency
 - Science:5th- 57.1% proficiency

School Grade-D (49), **Met Expected Growth**

UPWARD ELEMENTARY

Instruction

- Instructional feedback provided by school administrators Principal Michael Gates and Assistant Principal Omar Lemus, and Sarah Swanzy (Instructional Coach)
- Academic Resources used: ELA/Guided Reading, Read to Achieve 3rd grade, Math and ELA/CKLA Curriculum, Ready Curriculum for math
- Remediation and Enrichment provided through: Push-In and pull-out with support staff this year, MTSS (multi-tiered system of supports)

UPWARD ELEMENTARY

Monitoring and Improving Your Child's Achievement:

- School-Wide high yield instructional strategies used in lessons, Professional Learning Community (PLC) meetings to discuss needed changes to instruction.
- Formative Assessments: Quarterly Benchmarks/NC Check-Ins, mClass progress monitoring, teacher made formative assessments
- Supplemental Instructional Support and Enrichment

UPWARD ELEMENTARY

Staying Involved in your child's education :

- **Infinite Campus Parent Portal:** Let your student's teacher know if you need information.
- **Progress Reports and Report Cards:**
- **Parent Meetings:** Notifications sent home in Newsday Tuesday, Contact your child's teacher for conference.
- **The School-Parent Compact:** Available in the front office and sent home in Newsday Tuesday
- **Other Opportunities for parents and family:** Contact Michael Gates, Principal

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND FEEDBACK

- How is information communicated?
 - Through Newsday Tuesday, Messenger 2.0, school website.

Please remember to complete the short evaluation forms before you leave the Title 1 ELA night!

Thank you in advance for coming to our
annual informational meeting.