

Contentnea-Savannah K-8 School



Vision of CSS

“Enriching our students today to find solutions for tomorrow.”

Mission of CSS

The staff at Contentnea-Savannah K-8 School believes that we can accomplish a collaborative learning environment by providing opportunities for intellectual growth, physical well-being, emotional maturity and social responsibility. We are committed to nurturing these traits within each student through collaboration with staff, parents, and community to ensure our students become work-force ready.

Lenoir County Public Schools

- 17 schools
 - 9 elementary
 - 3 middle schools
 - 1 k-8 School
 - 3 traditional high schools
 - 1 early college
 - 1 alternative school

LCPS Continued

- 8,700 students
 - 47% black
 - 37% white
 - 12% hispanic
 - 4% other
- Graduation rate- 81.7%
- Median household of Lenoir County residents is \$34,717

Home of the Cougars

- Title 1 School- 71% free and reduced lunch
- Enrollment- 892 students (557 elem, 335 ms)
 - 49% Black or African American
 - 35% White
 - 14% Hispanic
 - 1 % Asian
- Of the 898 students attending CSS
 - 149 students are identified as EC (17%)
 - 44 students are identified as ELL (5%)

Strengths of CSS

- FFA Chapter
- TSA Club
- Leadership
- Elementary Junior Honor Society
- Middle School Junior Honor Society
- STEM certified school since 2013-2014
- 2 active STEM Labs
- Science has trended upward for the last 6 years
- Math teachers met or exceeded growth this year

Strengths of CSS cont.

- 2 Science Olympiad teams-- we have state winners
- 27 raised garden beds, bog, pond, bird blind, butterfly garden
- Cougar U
- Dedicated staff and diverse students
- New facility opened January 2009

Challenges of CSS

- Student poverty
- Over capacity
- Teacher turnover

PBIS (Exemplary)

- PAWS
 - Positive Attitude
 - Always Follow Directions
 - Work cooperatively
 - Show respect
- Earn PAWS for
 - Extra recess
 - PAW cart
 - Eat with a friend
 - Party with the Principal
 - Middle school-period of multiple activities such as movie, intramural, and social time per 9 weeks
- Alternative Activities
 - NASA
 - Mentoring Program- Jenkins, Clark, Curtis Hines, etc.



Parental and Community Involvement

- PTA
- Clean Up Day
- Science Night/Title 1
- Stem/DATA Night
- Math Snap Night
- Christmas Cheer- various families, staff members, and churches- around 70 students were provided Christmas
- Book bag Buddies- Sharon United Methodist Church
- Spring Fling



Community Involvement Continued

- Pitsco Foundation
- GoldenLeaf
- Stem East
- Burroughs-Wellcome
- Hand in hand partnerships with local churches
- Chamber of Commerce

“Farm to Fork”

- Every class has space in a raised garden
- Soil has been provided but classes will be responsible for planting and taking care of their gardens
- Class choice- to make a dish with the product they made
- Last year classes made items such as salsa, veggie quesadilla, soup, and salad



Grants

- Kate B Reynolds- walking track
- Lowes Toolbox /Outdoor Classroom
- UTOTES- (pond, bog)
- Burroughs Wellcome Grant for Math Professional Development
- Burroughs Wellcome STEM Summer Experiences
- Burroughs Wellcome Prism Grant (Robotics)
- Farm Bureau (Farm to Fork)
- NCDPI Mobile App Development (Coding)
- Bright Idea state winners- classroom reading books, literacy and math related books