School Improvement Council Report to the Parents
2024-2025

PINEY WOODS
ELEMENTARY

Home of the Purple Martins

Piney Woods Elementary fosters an enthusiastic and creative community of lifelong learners using a collaborative and inclusive learning environment that provides challenging instruction, problem solving and real world applications for our 21st century learners.

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General School Statistics

	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Student Population	515	538	514
Pupils in Poverty	33%	34%	34%
Minority Population	18%	24%	18.9%
Special Education (Disabilities other than speech only)	14.5%	15%	16%
Gifted and Talented (3rd and 4th-includes local identification)	29%	28%	27.8%
Teacher Retention	89.5%	90%	91.9%

School Effectiveness

"Strongly Agree" and "Agree."	Teacher	Student	Parent
I am satisfied with the learning environment in my school.	94.9%	93.2%	96.3%
I am satisfied with the social and physical environment at my school.	97.4%	96.6%	99.3%

SIC Accomplishments

Parent University in October 2024, Teacher and Staff Appreciation Events, and Community Partnerships

Student Achievement
Measure of Academic Progress (MAP)
(Median Conditional Growth)

	Fall to Spring 2023	Fall to Spring 2024	Fall to Spring 2025
Reading	68%	57%	63%
Math	66%	61%	64%

South Carolina Ready ELA
(Meets or Exceeds)

	PWES	District	State
Grade 3	73.3%	60.3%	53.8%
Grade 4	63.9%	64.7%	57.2%

South Carolina Ready Math
(Meets or Exceeds)

	PWES	District	State
Grade 3	65.4%	61.8%	54.5%
Grade 4	43.6%	59.1%	51%

South Carolina Ready SCIENCE
(Meets or Exceeds, 4th grade)

	PWES	District	State
Grade 4	53.6%	52.5%	44.8%

Piney Woods Elementary School Improvement Council Members

2024-2025

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